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THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

MOGADISCIO (SOMALIA)

I KNOW YOUR DEEP CONCERN FOR THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE UNITED NATIONS OPERATION IN THE CONGO AND FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS OBJECTIVES OF PEACE AND STABILITY IN THAT COUNTRY. I WISH, THEREFORE, TO BRING DIRECTLY

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TO YOUR ATTENTION CERTAIN CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING THE UNITED NATIONS FORCE IN THE CONGO WHICH ASSUME A NEW SIGNIFICANCE IN THE LIGHT OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS. PARA AT PRESENT THE FORCE COMMANDS A STRENGTH OF APPROXIMATELY 17,500 ALL RANKS, COMPRISING 20 BATTALIONS. THAT STRENGTH IS THREATENED WITH AN EARLY REDUCTION

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TO SOME 14,500 OFFICERS AND MEN, OR ABOUT 15 BATTALIONS, IF THE DECISIONS OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF INDONESIA AND MOROCCO TO REPATRIATE THEIR TROOPS WITHOUT REPLACEMENT ARE IMPLEMENTED. PARA IN VIEW OF THE NEW DEMANDS ON THE FORCE ENVISAGED IN THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITHOUT NEGATIVE VOTE BY

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THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 21 FEBRUARY, THE REDUCTION OF THE STRENGTH OF THE FORCE AT THIS TIME WOULD BE PARADOXICAL AND MOST INOPPORTUNE. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 1 OF PART A OF THAT RESOLUTION QUOTE URGES THAT THE UNITED NATIONS TAKE IMMEDIATELY ALL APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PREVENT THE OCCURRENCE OF

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CIVIL WAR IN THE CONGO, INCLUDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR CEASE-FIRES, THE HALTING OF ALL MILITARY OPERATIONS, THE PREVENTION OF CLASHES, AND THE USE OF FORCE, IF NECESSARY, IN THE LAST RESORT SEMICOLON UNQUOTE. IN ALL SUCH MEASURES, THE PRESENCE OF A STRONG UNITED

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NATIONS FORCE IS INDISPENSABLE. THUS, THE UNITED NATIONS FORCE MUST CONTINUE TO HAVE A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF TROOPS DEPLOYED TO PREVENT ARMED CONFLICT AND TO PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY. THE THREATS, NO INCREASING, OF CIVIL WAR MUST BE MET SEMICOLON THE WITHDRAWAL AND EVACUATION OF

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ALL BELGIAN AND OTHER FOREIGN MILITARY, PARA-MILITARY PERSONNEL AND MERCENARIES IN THE CONGO WILL HAVE TO BE ARRANGED SEMICOLON THE INGRESS OF FURTHER MILITARY PERSONNEL AND MATERIEL TO THE CONGO HAS TO BE CHECKED UPON AND STOPPED. ALL THIS REQUIRES MORE TROOPS. PARA IN ORDER TO MEET

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THE NEEDS CREATED BY THE NEW RESOLUTION, THE MILITARY COMMAND OF THE FORCE PERCEIVES A REQUIRED STRENGTH FOR IT NUMBERING ABOUT 23,000, OR 25 BATTALIONS. PARA YOU WILL AGREE, I AM SURE, THAT THE COUNTRIES OF AFRICA SHOULD BE LOOKED TO PRINCIPALLY FOR THE NEW

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COMPONENTS NEEDED BY THE FORCE. THUS, I TRUST THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR YOUR GOVERNMENT TO RESPOND FAVORABLY TO THIS NEW APPEAL FOR TROOPS TO SERVE IN THE CONGO, AND TO PROVIDE AT AN EARLY DATE A CONTINGENT OF YOUR TROOPS OF NOT LESS THAN A BATTALION IN STRENGTH. PARA PERMIT ME,

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IN THIS CONTEXT, TO ADD A FEW THOUGHTS ABOUT THE FUNCTION OF THE FORCE. PARA PREVIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF TROOPS TO THE UNITED NATIONS FORCE HAVE BEEN BASED ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS OF 14 AND 22 JULY 1960, THE LATTER ONE SUPPLEMENTED BY EXPLANATIONS REGARDING THE CHARACTER

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AND MANDATE OF THE FORCE CONTAINED IN MY REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF 18 JULY 1960 (S/4389), WHICH WAS COMMENDED BY THE COUNCIL IN THE RESOLUTION OF 22 JULY 1960, AND THUS -- TOGETHER WITH LATER STANDS TAKEN BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY --

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REPRESENTS AN AUTHORITATIVE INTERPRETATION OF THE POSITION OF THE UNITED NATIONS. NEW CONTRIBUTIONS IN TROOPS OBVIOUSLY HAVE THE SAME BASIS, BUT MUST ALSO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE RESOLUTION OF 21 FEBRUARY, WHICH, WITHOUT ANY CHANGE OF THE UNITED NATIONS MANDATE, WIDENS ITS SCOPE AND APPLICATION.

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I DRAW ATTENTION ESPECIALLY TO THE REFERENCE TO THE USE OF FORCE FOR PREVENTION OF CIVIL WAR, QUOTE IN THE LAST RESORT UNQUOTE. REGARDING THE INTERPRETATION OF THIS LAST MENTIONED CLAUSE, I HAVE TO REFER TO THE DEBATE THAT TOOK PLACE IN THE COUNCIL. PARA HOWEVER, I

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MAY HERE DRAW ATTENTION TO THE ATTITUDE OF SOME GOVERNMENTS OF AFRICAN STATES, CONTRIBUTING CONSIDERABLE ELEMENTS TO THE FORCE. THREE GOVERNMENTS IN THAT POSITION HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT THEY CAN NOT PERMIT THEIR UNITS TO BECOME PARTIES TO AN ARMED CONFLICT IN THE CONGO. PARA WITHOUT

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INTENDING THIS TO BE AN INTERPRETATION OF THE RELEVANT CLAUSE IN THE RESOLUTION AND WITH A VIEW ONLY TO ASSISTING

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IN THE CLARIFICATION OF THE ASSUMPTIONS ON WHICH GOVERNMENTS BASE THEIR CONTRIBUTION, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS ON THE POSITIONS TO WHICH I HAVE JUST REFERRED. PARA THE LATEST RESOLUTION, ADOPTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL, DOES NOT SEEM TO ME TO DEROGATE FROM

P17

THE POSITION THAT UNITED NATIONS TROOPS SHOULD NOT BECOME PARTIES TO ARMED CONFLICT IN THE CONGO. THE BASIC INTENTION OF THE RESOLUTION IS, IN MY OPINION, THE TAKING OF ALL APPROPRIATE MEASURES FOR THE PURPOSES MENTIONED, RESORT BEING HAD TO FORCE ONLY WHEN ALL OTHER EFFORTS

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SUCH AS NEGOTIATION, PERSUASION OR CONCILIATION WERE TO FAIL. IF FOLLOWING SUCH EFFORTS, OR MEASURES TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF THEIR RESULT, UNITED NATIONS TROOPS ENGAGE IN DEFENSIVE ACTION, WHEN ATTACKED WHILE HOLDING POSITIONS OCCUPIED IN PREVENTION OF A CIVIL WAR RISK, THIS WOULD NOT,

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IN MY OPINION, MEAN THAT THEY BECOME A PARTY TO A CONFLICT, WHILE THE POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING SUCH A PARTY WOULD BE OPEN WERE TROOPS TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN AN ARMED ATTACK ON AN ORGANISED ARMY GROUP IN THE CONGO. PARA IF THE POSITION TAKEN BY

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THE GOVERNMENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE, AS I BELIEVE, DOES NOT DEROGATE FROM THE STAND TAKEN BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN THE RESOLUTION, AND IF THOSE GOVERNMENTS AGREE WITH THE DISTINCTION JUST MADE, THIS DISTINCTION WOULD OBVIOUSLY HAVE TO BE OBSERVED IN ANY INSTRUCTIONS THAT HAVE TO

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BE GIVEN TO THE TROOPS BY THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND. PARA AS YOU HAVE YOURSELF RAISED THIS QUESTION, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR GUIDANCE IN THE FORM OF COMMENTS ON THE OBSERVATIONS JUST MADE. PARA THAT I ADDRESS YOU ON THIS GENERAL SUBJECT AND TO THIS LENGTH IS

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BE GIVEN TO THE TROOPS BY THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND. PARA THAT I ADDRESS YOU ON THIS GENERAL SUBJECT AND TO THIS LENGTH IS A MEASURE OF THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION AND THE URGENCY OF THE UNITED NATIONS NEED. I WOULD APPRECIATE A REPLY AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

DAG HAMMARSKJOLD
SECRETARY-GENERAL

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MOGADISCIO (SOMALIA)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CABLE OF 3 MARCH STOP THE UNITED NATIONS WILL
UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSPORT OF THE CONTINGENT TO
THE CONGO AND ITS RETURN TO SOMALIA AT THE END OF ITS TOUR OF
DUTY STOP RATIONS COMMA SUPPLIES COMMA

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EQUIPMENT PECULIAR FOR OPERATIONS IN THE CONGO COMMA ACCOMMODATION
AND SPECIAL ALLOWANCES ARE PROVIDED BY THE UNITED NATIONS STOP
THE CONTRIBUTING COUNTRY REMAINS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF
BASIC SALARIES TO ITS PERSONNEL STOP ANY OVERSEAS ALLOWANCES
NORMALLY GIVEN BY A CONTRIBUTING COUNTRY FOR SERVICE OUTSIDE
THE HOME COUNTRY ARE REIMBURSED

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BY THE UNITED NATIONS STOP THE BATTALION SHOULD BE ON ITS NATIONAL
ORGANIZATION FOR OPERATIONAL DUTY STOP WE ARE THEREFORE UNABLE
TO ADVISE YOU AS TO THE NUMBER OF OFFICERS COMMA NCOS AND SOLDIERS
SEMICOLON BUT RECOMMEND THAT OVERALL STRENGTH OF BATTALION SHOULD
BE BETWEEN SIXHUNDRED AND ONE THOUSAND COMMA

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ALL RANKS STOP THE BATTALION SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY A UNIT MEDICAL
OFFICER COMMA NURSING ORDERLIES COMMA STRETCHER BEARERS AND A
LOGISTICAL COMPONENT FOR USE WITHIN THE BATTALION STOP IT SHOULD
HAVE RADIO AND TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS FOR USE WITHIN THE UNIT
STOP IN SHORT COMMA THE BATTALION SHOULD BE ORGANIZED

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FOR OPERATION SERVICE STOP WE WILL GLADLY PROVIDE YOU WITH ANY
FURTHER INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED STOP WITH WARM REGARDS STOP
DAG HAMMARSKJOLD SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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