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Letter dated 2 March 1981 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

Further to my letter of 15 January 1981 (A/35/792), I have the honour to draw your attention to the enclosed letter dated 26 February 1981 from the Permanent Representative of the Central African Republic to the United Nations.

(<u>Signed</u>) Kurt WALDHEIM Secretary-General

## ANNEX

## Letter dated 26 February 1981 from the Permanent Representative of the Central African Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

/Original: French/

I have the honour to inform you that owing to its many economic difficulties the Central African Republic, which has just emerged from a debilitated situation, is not in a position to honour in the immediate future all its international, or even its national, commitments.

In the message recently addressed to you by His Excellency Mr. David Dacko, President of the Central African Republic, which was delivered to you by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Central African Republic during his visit to New York in January, the Head of State emphasized that the Government was confronted with a serious budgetary crisis and an enormous public debt which impairs the efforts being undertaken in the field of development and reconstruction.

This situation was confirmed by the mission of Mr. Abdulrahim A. Farah which visited Bangui a few days ago.

In view of this situation, which is due to circumstances beyond my country's control, I would request you to make an exception to the application of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations and authorize the delegation of the Central African Republic to participate in all votes taken at the resumed thirty-fifth regular session of the General Assembly and any other sessions which may be held in 1981.

Such authorization will be provisional, pending consideration by the competent Secretariat services of the request submitted by the Government of the Central African Republic, as contained in the above-mentioned message.

> (<u>Signed</u>) Simon-Pierre KIBANDA Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the United Nations