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Letter dated 14 December 1972 from the Chairman of the First Committee
to the President of the General Assembly

I wish to draw your attention to the report of the First Committee concerning agenda item 34 (A/8908). You will note that in operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution recommended for adoption by the General Assembly the membership of the proposed ad hoc committee has been left open. You will further note from paragraph 9 of the same report that the First Committee mandated its Chairman to designate 15 members to serve on the ad hoc committee and to communicate their names to the President of the General Assembly before the draft resolution is put to the vote in plenary.

In accordance with the mandate given me by the First Committee, I would designate the following 15 members to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean: Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mauritius, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen and Zambia.

(Signed) Radha K. RAMPHUL
Chairman of the
First Committee