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LETTER FROM THE SWISS CONSUL GENERAL TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
DATED 26 OCTOBER 1946 FORWARDING A LETTER FROM THE
CHIEF OF THE SWISS FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT

444 Madison Avenue

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26 October 1946

Sir,

I have the honour to communicate to you the following letter which the Federal Counsellor Mr. Max Petitpierre, Chief of Federal Political Department, has requested me telegraphically to transmit to you:

"Sir,

In virtue of Article 93, paragraph 2, of the San Francisco Charter, a State which is not a Member of the United Nations may become a party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice on conditions to be determined in each case by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council.

On the basis of this provision, the Swiss Federal Council would be glad if you would kindly inform the Security Council and the General Assembly of its desire to know the conditions on which Switzerland could become a party to the Statute of the Court.

In the sincere hope that this request will be favourably received by the Security Council and the General Assembly, I ask you to accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

(Sgd.) Max Petitpierre"

I would therefore ask you to take steps to have this question placed

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on the agenda of the present session of the General Assembly of the
United Nations.

Yours, etc.

(Sgd.) F. GYGAX
Swiss Consul General

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