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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

As indicated in the statement made by the President of the Security Council at the end of the 1656th meeting of the Council, the following letter was sent to the Secretary-General on 31 July 1972:

Letter dated 31 July 1972 from the President of the Security  
Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to your note of 25 February 1972 concerning General Assembly resolution 2880 (XXVI) which, inter alia, requests you to submit to the General Assembly, at its twenty-seventh session, a report on measures adopted in pursuance of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security. In that note you stated that since the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security, adopted by the General Assembly on 16 December 1970 as resolution 2734 (XXV), contains a number of specific recommendations regarding the Security Council, you hoped that those recommendations would be properly considered and that information on the steps taken by the Council in compliance with the respective provisions of the above-mentioned Declaration would be presented for inclusion in the report requested by the General Assembly.

In this connexion I wish to refer to the letter dated 31 March 1972 from the President of the Security Council to members of the Council, which was circulated as a document of the Council (S/10583), and to inform you that the members of the Security Council for whom the question of the strengthening of international security is of great importance, are at present considering the form and content of a reply to your request.

(Signed) Carlos Ortiz de Rozas  
President of the Security Council