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Letter dated 8 August 1990 from the Permanent Representative of  
Chile to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose the text of the statement issued on 8 August 1990  
by my Government with respect to the recent events in Kuwait:

Statement by the Government of Chile on the invasion of  
Kuwait issued in Santiago on 8 August 1990

By a communiqué distributed on 2 August, the Government of Chile made  
known its views regarding the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq's armed forces.

The Government of Chile has followed closely the developments in that  
region, and has lent its constant support to the efforts by the United Nations  
aimed at bringing about a solution to the difficult situation that has arisen.

Consequently, the Chilean authorities fully support resolution  
661 (1990), adopted by the Security Council on 6 August 1990.

This resolution, aimed at safeguarding the principles of international  
law which are embodied in the Charter of the United Nations and to which Chile  
has traditionally subscribed, fully reflects the Government's feelings  
regarding this delicate matter.

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Accordingly, a supreme decree has been drafted by which the Government enacts at the domestic level the measures agreed upon by the Security Council, including prohibition of the sale or supply of weapons or any other military equipment to Iraq and Kuwait.

The Government of Chile reiterates its desire that an end should be put to the occupation and that the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Kuwait should be restored, in fulfilment of the clear norms of peaceful and civilized coexistence among nations.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this statement circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 35 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Juan SOMAVIA  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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