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## Note by the Secretary-General

- 1. The report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country 1/ contains in paragraph 57 the following recommendation:
  - "(8) The Committee urges the United States to ratify as soon as possible the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations."
- 2. The Secretary-General is pleased to inform the members of the General Assembly that the United States, on 13 November 1972, deposited with him an instrument of ratification to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations 2/ and the Optional Protocol concerning the Compulsory Settlement of Disputes. 3/ A letter from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America on this matter is circulated herewith in accordance with the request of the Permanent Representative.

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<sup>1/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/8726).

<sup>2/</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 500, No. 7310, p. 95.

<sup>3/ &</sup>lt;u>Ibid.</u>, No. 7312, p. 241.

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Letter dated 14 November 1972 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I am pleased to inform you that on 8 November 1972 President Richard Nixon signed the instrument ratifying the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and the Optional Protocol concerning the Compulsory Settlement of Disputes.

The instrument was deposited with the United Nations on 13 November 1972 and, pursuant to article 51, the Convention and Protocol will enter into force for the United States of America on the thirtieth day after the deposit of the instrument of ratification.

I would appreciate your circulating this letter to all delegations to the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda item 91 (Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country).

(Signed) George BUSH