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Dual DistributionAPPLICATION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA FOR ADMISSION TO  
MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONLetter dated 24 December 1951 from the Minister for Foreign  
Affairs of the United Kingdom of Libya to the Secretary-General

Note by the Secretary-General: Pursuant to rule 134 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith, for the information of the Members of the General Assembly, a copy of a letter dated 24 December 1951 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Kingdom of Libya concerning the application of the United Kingdom of Libya for admission to membership in the United Nations.

24 December 1951

By resolution 289 (IV) of 21 November 1949, adopted in pursuance of Annex XI, paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Peace with Italy, 1947, the General Assembly of the United Nations recommended that Libya, comprising Cyrenaica, Tripolitania and the Fezzan, shall be constituted an independent and sovereign State, and that this independence shall become effective not later than 1 January 1952. It was provided in particular "that upon its establishment as an independent State, Libya shall be admitted to the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter". The provisions of resolution 289 (IV) were confirmed by resolution 387 (V) adopted by the General Assembly on 17 November 1950.

Full effect has now been given to both these resolutions, with the valuable assistance of the United Nations Commissioner in Libya and the Council for Libya, and following the promulgation of the Libyan Constitution on 7 October 1951 and the completion of the transfer of powers by the Administering Powers on 24 December 1951, the United Kingdom of Libya was declared a free and independent sovereign State under the Crown of H.M. Mohamad Mahdi Al Senussi, who was declared Constitutional King of Libya by the National Constituent Assembly.

I have the honour therefore to apply on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Libya for membership in the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter. I am transmitting to you herewith a declaration

made in a formal instrument, that Libya accepts the obligations contained in the Charter and undertakes to carry them out.

(Signed)

Mahmoud MUNTASSER  
Minister for Foreign Affairs

#### DECLARATION

The United Kingdom of Libya hereby accepts the obligations contained in the Charter of the United Nations and solemnly undertakes fully and faithfully to carry out each and every of the provisions thereof.

(Signed)

Mahmoud MUNTASSER  
Prime Minister

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