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### REQUEST FOR THE INCLUSION OF AN ADDITIONAL ITEM IN THE AGENDA OF THE FORTY-SIXTH SESSION

#### COMMEMORATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1995

Letter dated 13 December 1991 from the representatives of  
Australia, Belize, Botswana, China, Ecuador, France,  
Guinea, Honduras, Ireland, Italy, the Libyan Arab  
Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mozambique, Myanmar, Oman, Poland,  
Qatar, Saint Lucia, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Ukraine, the  
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Arab  
Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland, the United Republic of Tanzania, the  
United States of America and Zaire to the United Nations  
addressed to the Secretary-General

We, the undersigned, wish to propose, pursuant to rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the inclusion in the agenda of the forty-sixth session of an additional item, entitled "Commemoration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations in 1995".

An explanatory memorandum is herewith submitted in accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure.

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ANNEX

Explanatory memorandum

1. The year 1995 will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. It will be recalled that the Charter was signed at San Francisco on 26 June 1945 and came into force on 24 October 1945.
2. On the occasion of the tenth, twentieth, twenty-fifth and fortieth anniversaries of the United Nations, the General Assembly decided to undertake commemorative activities and to encourage Member States and other organizations to do likewise at the national and local levels.
3. At previous sessions, the General Assembly established preparatory committees, composed of members appointed by the President of the Assembly on the basis of equitable geographical distribution, for the purpose of drawing up and coordinating plans for the anniversary, organizing suitable activities and considering proposals and suggestions for increasing the effectiveness of the United Nations.
4. It is appropriate and timely that the occasion for the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations in 1995 should be used not only to review the performance of the Organization over the past half century but, above all, to encourage a rededication of Member States to the principles and purposes of the Charter, to promote interest and support for the Organization and to reinvigorate international cooperation in all fields of human endeavour.
5. In view of the importance of the occasion, adequate time must be allowed for the preparation of thoughtful and productive proposals in connection with the commemoration. Following consultations it is recommended that, at its forty-sixth session, the General Assembly should decide to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations in 1995 and establish an appropriate mechanism to consider and recommend at the forty-seventh session proposals for suitable action and activities.

APPENDIX

DRAFT DECISION

Commemoration of the Fiftieth Anniversary  
of the United Nations in 1995

The General Assembly:

1. Decides to establish a Preparatory Committee for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations, consisting of the members of the General Committee and open to the participation of all Member States;

2. Entrusts the Preparatory Committee with the task of considering and recommending to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session proposals for suitable activities in connection with the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations, on the understanding that its decisions would be taken by consensus.

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