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INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY**

**Letter dated 1 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative
of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General**

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English and French, of a statement of the European Community and its member States on Afghanistan, issued at Lisbon and Brussels on 30 April 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly under item 28 of the preliminary list.

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ANNEX

Statement on Afghanistan, issued by the European
Community and its member States on 30 April 1992

The Community and its member States recall their statement on Afghanistan of 16 April 1992, particularly as regards the need for the implementation of a political solution and the guarantee of the unity and territorial integrity of the country.

The Community and its member States welcome the formation of a Transitional Ruling Council in Kabul, under the leadership of Professor Sibghatullah Mojaddedi, and his proclamation of a general amnesty on 28 April 1992.

The European Community and its member States hope that the Council will be able to achieve a lasting political settlement and lay down the foundations for a freely elected Government. They urge all parties involved to refrain from further military action and adhere to the Transitional Council's call for a cease-fire.
