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THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED AND ON THE STAGE REACHED IN
THEIR CONSIDERATION

Addendum

Pursuant to rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the Secretary-General is submitting the following summary statement.

The list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/13737 of 11 January 1980, S/13737/Add.35 of 10 September 1980 and S/13737/Add.38 of 3 October 1980.

During the week ending 4 October 1980, the Security Council took action on the following item:

The situation between Iran and Iraq

The Security Council continued its consideration of the item at its 2248th meeting, held on 28 September 1980. In addition to the representatives invited previously, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Japan, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

The President called attention to the text of the draft resolution presented by Mexico (S/14201) that had been prepared in the course of lengthy consultations among the members of the Council.

The Security Council then voted on the draft resolution (S/14201) and adopted it unanimously as resolution 479 (1980).

Resolution 479 (1980) reads as follows:

The Security Council,

Having begun consideration of the item entitled "The situation between Iran and Iraq",

Mindful that all Member States have undertaken the Charter obligations to settle their international disputes by peaceful means and in such a manner that international peace and security and justice are not endangered,

Mindful, as well, that all Members are obliged to refrain in their international relations from the threat of or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State,

Recalling that under Article 24 of the Charter the Security Council has primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security,

Deeply concerned about the developing situation between Iran and Iraq;

1. Calls upon Iran and Iraq to refrain immediately from any further use of force and to settle their dispute by peaceful means and in conformity with principles of justice and international law;

2. Urges them to accept any appropriate offer of mediation or conciliation or to resort to regional agencies or arrangements or other peaceful means of their own choice that would facilitate the fulfilment of their Charter obligations;

3. Calls upon all other States to exercise the utmost restraint and to refrain from any act which may lead to a further escalation and widening of the conflict;

4. Supports the efforts of the Secretary-General and the offer of his good offices for the resolution of this situation;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Security Council within 48 hours.
