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OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The situation in the "safe area" of Gorazde is extremely grave. Reinforced Serbian troops continue an intensified offensive, now in its fifteenth day, against 70,000 civilians. Residential areas of Gorazde are being pounded by Serbian heavy artillery from the directions of Pale, Cajnice, Visegrad, Rudo, and Foca. There is imminent danger that Gorazde will be overrun and, on the basis of past experience, we justly fear that the civilian population will be massacred.

Despite UNPROFOR's extended mandate to "deter attacks against the safe areas", in accordance with resolution 836 (1993), Serb forces continue the calculated destruction of Gorazde with impunity. Not a single United Nations observer has yet reached the town to investigate the present situation. Convoys with food and medicine remain blocked by the Serb forces from entering Gorazde.

We call upon the United Nations Security Council to act in accordance with its adopted resolutions and to fulfil its own commitments, as the lives of people of Gorazde directly depend upon a prompt response of this noble body.

Excellency, may I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

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