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I have the honour to inform you that your letter of 9 October 1996 (S/1996/891) concerning the recent fact-finding mission to the Bakassi peninsula has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

The members of the Security Council are encouraged by the progress reported by the fact-finding mission and fully support your efforts to find ways to reduce the tension in the disputed area and to improve relations between the Republic of Cameroon and the Federal Republic of Nigeria while the dispute is before the International Court of Justice.

The members of the Security Council encourage you to continue your efforts and look forward to further reports of progress achieved towards the settlement of the dispute, including details of the specific measures proposed by the two sides to improve relations between them.

> (<u>Signed</u>) Gerardo MARTÍNEZ BLANCO President of the Security Council
