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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/12520 of 9 January 1978 and S/12520/Add.17 of 11 May 1978.

During the week ending 9 December 1978, the Security Council took action on the following items:

The situation in Namibia (see S/8367, S/8424, S/8428, S/8438, S/8450, S/8468, S/9107, S/9373, S/9382, S/9395, S/9636, S/9898, S/10351, S/10369, S/10375, S/10377, S/10757, S/10770/Add.15, S/10770/Add.16, S/10855/Add.3, S/10855/Add.50, S/11185/Add.50, S/11593/Add.21, S/11593/Add.22, S/11935/Add.4, S/11935/Add.35, S/11935/Add.39, S/11935/Add.40, S/11935/Add.41, S/11935/Add.42, S/12520/Add.29, S/12520/Add.38, S/12520/Add.43, S/12520/Add.44 and S/12520/Add.45).

In a letter dated 1 December 1978 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/12945), the representative of the Congo, on behalf of the African Group of States at the United Nations, requested an urgent meeting of the Security Council not later than 4 December to consider the situation in Namibia.

The Security Council resumed its consideration of the item at its 2103rd and 2104th meetings, held on 4 and 5 December, and included in its agenda the above-mentioned letter from the Congo.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Angola and the Congo, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote. In accordance with the request dated 4 December 1978 from the President of the United Nations Council for Namibia, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, to the President and three other members of the United Nations Council for Namibia. Also, in accordance with the request dated 4 December from Gabon, Mauritius and Nigeria (S/12952), the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 to Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab.

The President called attention to the report by the Secretary-General submitted on 24 November pursuant to paragraph 7 of Security Council resolution 439 (1978) (S/12938) and to the supplementary report by the Secretary-General dated 2 December (S/12950).

Admission of new Members (see S/7382, S/7564, S/8301, S/8555, S/8815, S/8896, S/9961, S/10121, S/10296, S/10327, S/10351, S/10462, S/10762, S/10770/Add.1, S/10855/Add.25, S/10855/Add.29, S/11185/Add.22, S/11185/Add.23, S/11185/Add.24, S/11185/Add.31, S/11185/Add.32, S/11593/Add.31, S/11593/Add.32, S/11593/Add.33, S/11593/Add.38, S/11593/Add.39, S/11593/Add.41, S/11593/Add.48, S/11935/Add.25, S/11935/Add.33, S/11935/Add.36, S/11935/Add.45, S/11935/Add.46, S/11935/Add.47, S/11935/Add.48, S/12269/Add.27, S/12269/Add.29 and S/12520/Add.32).

By a note dated 29 November 1978 (S/12942), the Secretary-General circulated the application of the Commonwealth of Dominica for admission to membership in the United Nations contained in a letter dated 21 November 1978 from the Prime Minister of Dominica addressed to the Secretary-General.

The Security Council considered the application at its 2104th and 2105th meetings, held on 5 and 6 December 1978.

At the 2104th meeting, the President, in accordance with the provisions of rule 59 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure and in the absence of a proposal to the contrary, referred the application of the Commonwealth of Dominica to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for consideration and report. The Council further agreed to waive the deadline set out in the last sentence of that rule for submission of the Committee's report.

At the 2105th meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Barbados, El Salvador and Trinidad and Tobago, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

At that meeting, the Council had before it the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members (S/12956), unanimously recommending the admission of the Commonwealth of Dominica, and a draft resolution for its consideration.

The Security Council then voted on the draft resolution contained in paragraph 4 of the report, which was adopted unanimously as resolution 442 (1978).

Resolution 442 (1978) reads as follows:

The Security Council,

Having examined the application of the Commonwealth of Dominica for admission to the United Nations (S/12942),

Recommends to the General Assembly that the Commonwealth of Dominica be admitted to membership in the United Nations.

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The situation in the Middle East (see S/7913, S/7923, S/7976, S/8000, S/8048, S/8066, S/8215, S/8242, S/8252, S/8269, S/8502, S/8525, S/8534, S/8564, S/8575, S/8584, S/8595, S/8747, S/8753, S/8807, S/8815, S/8828, S/8836, S/8885, S/8896, S/8960, S/9123, S/9135, S/9319, S/9382, S/9395, S/9406, S/9427 and Corr.1, S/9449, S/9452, S/9805, S/9812, S/9930, S/10327, S/10341, S/10554, S/10557, S/10703, S/10721, S/10729, S/10743, S/10770/Add.4, S/10855/Add.15, S/10855/Add.16, S/10855/Add.23, S/10855/Add.24, S/10855/Add.29, S/10855/Add.30, S/10855/Add.31, S/10855/Add.41, S/10855/Add.43, S/10855/Add.44, S/11185/Add.14, S/11185/Add.15, S/11185/Add.16, S/11185/Add.21, S/11185/Add.42/Rev.1, S/11185/Add.47, S/11593/Add.15, S/11593/Add.21, S/11593/Add.29, S/11593/Add.42, S/11593/Add.49, S/11935/Add.21, S/11935/Add.42, S/11935/Add.48, S/12269/Add.12, S/12269/Add.13, S/12269/Add.21, S/12269/Add.42, S/12269/Add.48, S/12520/Add.10, S/12520/Add.11, S/12520/Add.17, S/12520/Add.21, S/12520/Add.37, S/12520/Add.39, S/12520/Add.42 and S/12520/Add.47).

At its 2106th meeting on 8 December 1978, the Security Council resumed its consideration of the item and included in its agenda the interim report of the Secretary-General concerning the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon under Security Council resolution 434 (1978) (S/12929).

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Lebanon, Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

The President read out the text of a statement (S/12958) which had been prepared in the course of consultations among the members of the Security Council. There being no objection, he declared the statement adopted by consensus. It reads as follows:

"The Security Council has studied the Secretary-General's report contained in document S/12929, submitted in pursuance of resolution 434 (1978). The Council associates itself with the views of the Secretary-General set forth in the report regarding the obstacles placed against UNIFIL's full deployment and against the total implementation of resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) of 19 March 1978.

"The Council expresses its deepest concern over the grave situation in southern Lebanon.

"The Council is convinced that these obstacles constitute a challenge to its authority and a defiance to its resolutions. The Council therefore demands the removal of these obstacles, specifically described and referred to in the Secretary-General's report under consideration, as well as in his previous reports submitted to the Council.

"The Council believes that the unimpeded deployment of UNIFIL in all parts of southern Lebanon will contribute significantly to the restoration of the authority of the Lebanese Government and the preservation of Lebanese sovereignty within Lebanon's internationally recognized boundaries.

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"The Council, therefore, calls upon all those not fully co-operating with UNIFIL, particularly Israel, to desist forthwith from interfering with UNIFIL's operations in southern Lebanon and demands that they comply fully without any delay with the implementation of resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978).

"The Council also calls upon Member States that are in a position to do so to bring their influence to bear on those concerned so that UNIFIL may discharge its responsibilities unimpeded.

"The Council notes with appreciation the efforts made by the Secretary-General and the United Nations staff, and the commanders and soldiers of UNIFIL, for the implementation of resolution 425 (1978). It also takes this opportunity to express its particular appreciation to the countries that have contributed troops or are assisting in the deployment and facilitating the task of UNIFIL.

"The Council decides to remain seized of the problem, and to review the situation if and when necessary, before 19 January 1979, so as to consider practical ways and means that will secure the full implementation of its resolutions."
