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I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Georgia is completing the necessary procedures to ensure the implementation of Security Council resolutions 827 (1993) of 25 May 1993 and 955 (1994) of 8 November 1994.

On 6 January 1997, the President of Georgia, Mr. Eduard Shevardnadze, issued a Decree on Ensuring the Active Cooperation of the Government of Georgia with International Tribunals Created for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law on the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia and Rwanda.

As provided by the decree, the Government of Georgia confirms its readiness to cooperate actively with the international tribunals and their bodies established for the prosecution of persons responsible for grave violations of international humanitarian law and other international crimes.

Pursuant to the decree, the competent bodies shall present, within two months, recommendations on necessary measures to enhance Georgia's cooperation with the international tribunals, including proposals concerning changes and amendments to the legislation of Georgia.

I would be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Peter CHKHEIDZE

Ambassador

Permanent Representative
