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SUMMARY STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MATTERS OF WHICH 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 complete list of items of which the Security Council is seized is contained in document S/11593 of 7 January 1975 and the pertinent addenda. During the week ending 20 December 1975, the Security Council took action on the following items:

The situation in Timor

In a letter dated 7 December 1975 (S/11899) addressed to the President of the Security Council, the representative of Portugal stated that, on that day, naval, air and land forces of the Republic of Indonesia had launched an offensive action against the Territory of Portuguese Timor and particularly against the town of Dili, where naval bombardments occurred and troops were landed. The letter requested an urgent meeting of the Security Council so that the military aggression by Indonesia might be terminated and conditions established to enable the decolonization process to continue.

The Security Council met to consider the question at its 1864th meeting, held on 15 December 1975. The Council continued its consideration of the item at its 1865th, 1867th and 1868th meetings held between 16 and 18 December 1975.

At the 1864th meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Portugal, Indonesia, Malaysia and Australia, pursuant to their requests, to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote. A similar invitation was extended, at the 1867th meeting, held on 18 December, to the representative of Guinea-Bissau.

Also, at the 1864th meeting, pursuant to the request contained in a letter dated 12 December (S/11911) from the representative of Guinea-Bissau, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39

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of its provisional rules of procedure to the persons named therein, namely, Mr. Jose Ramos Horta and Mr. Abilio Aranjo. Similarly, at the same meeting, pursuant to the request contained in a letter dated 15 December (S/11912), from the representative of Indonesia, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 to Mr. Guilhermo Maria Goncalves, Ir. Mario Carrascalao, and Mr. Jose Martins.

Letter dated 12 December 1975 from the Permanent Representative of Iceland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11907)

In a letter dated 12 December 1975 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/11907), the representative of Iceland stated that on 11 December, British auxiliary vessels, operating under instructions of British naval units, had repeatedly rammed an Icelandic Coastguard vessel far inside the undisputed territorial waters of Iceland, with the obvious intent of inflicting serious damage. The letter requested that an urgent meeting of the Security Council be convened to consider the question.

The Security Council included the question in its agenda at its 1866th meeting, held on 16 December 1975. The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Iceland, at his request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote.

The President made a statement, and decided, in accordance with the provisions of rule 20 of the provisional rules of procedure, to invite the representative of the United Republic of Cameroon to take the presidential chair for the consideration of the question on the agenda.

When adjourning the meeting, the representative of the United Republic of Cameroon, in his capacity as representative presiding over the Council under rule 20 of the provisional rules of procedure, stated that the Security Council would remain seized of the question so that it might resume consideration of it at an appropriate date.