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LETTER DATED 6 NOVEMBER 1997 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVES  
OF CAMEROON, GHANA, TUNISIA, UGANDA AND ZIMBABWE TO  
THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
SECURITY COUNCIL

The African Group of States Members of the United Nations held a meeting on Wednesday, 5 November 1997, at which they discussed, among other matters, the dispute between the Government of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya on the one hand and the Governments of the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the other over the Lockerbie affair.

The African Group mandated the five-member Organization of African Unity (OAU) committee set up to mediate on that dispute to meet with you in order to convey the African Group's request for an open debate in the Security Council when the United Nations sanctions over the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya next come up for review and discussion.

By this letter the OAU Committee of Five formally requests an open debate, and further requests that the present letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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