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ARGENTINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF  
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On behalf of the Argentine Government as President pro tempore of the South American Common Market (MERCOSUR), I have the honour to transmit to you the following statement by MERCOSUR, Bolivia and Chile, dated 26 February 1998:

"The countries of MERCOSUR, Bolivia and Chile firmly support and congratulate the United Nations Secretary-General on his efforts to attain a solution to the crisis in Iraq.

"They trust that the agreement reached will allow resumption of all inspections in Iraq in accordance with Security Council resolutions.

"In this connection they express the hope that the solution to the crisis will assure the region lasting and stable peace."

I should be grateful if you would have this statement circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Fernando PETRELLA  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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