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

Upon instructions from my Government I have the honour to inform you that Italy is proceeding, in close consultations with our American and French allies as well as with the Lebanese Government, to assess the legal and operative aspects concerning the sending in the very near future of a multinational peace force to Beirut, with the task of providing appropriate assistance to the Lebanese Government and to its armed forces in the Beirut area.

It is the intention of the three participating countries to facilitate the re-establishment of the sovereignty and authority of the Lebanese Government in the Beirut area and to prevent new outbreaks of violence such as those which have so tragically marked the very recent past.

Further informations will be transmitted to you as soon as the initiative will be finalized, but it is the wish of my Government to inform you as of now that we will request the inclusion in the text of the agreement of an appropriate reference and linkage to the United Nations, with the explicit mention of Security Council resolution 521 (1982).

In conclusion, we wish to stress that our participation in the multinational force is inspired, as on the previous occasion, by the purposes of the United Nations' Charter.

I would be grateful if you would arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Umberto LA ROCCA
Ambassador
