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LETTER DATED 27 JULY 1979 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to request that the letter addressed to you, dated 26 July 1979, a copy of which is attached, be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Dr. A. Esmat Abdel MEGUID Ambassador Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 26 July 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to your letter dated 24 July 1979 concerning the consultations of the Security Council on 24 July 1979, I have the honour, upon instruction from my Government, to bring to your attention the following:

1. The United Nations Emergency Force was established in accordance with Security Council resolution 340 (1973) of 25 October 1973. Egypt's position with respect to that resolution was stated at the Security Council meeting of 25 October 1973 (the 1750th meeting), and in my letter addressed to you dated 27 October 1973 (S/1105).

2. The United Nations Emergency Force carried out its functions in a most exemplary manner and the Government of Egypt wishes to pay special tribute to UNEF and requests you, Mr. Secretary-General, to convey to the Commander, the officers and men of the force and the civilian staff, the appreciation of the Egyptian Government for their dedication and devotion to the fulfilment of their mandate.

3. Also the Government of Egypt wishes to transmit, through you, Mr. Secretary-General, to the countries that contributed contingents to UNEF, its full appreciation.

4. The Government of Egypt wishes to reassure you that it will extend full co-operation and spare no effort in facilitating the arrangements for an orderly withdrawal of UNEF.

5. With respect to your intention to consult with the Egyptian authorities concerning the continuing presence and future functioning in the area of the military observers of UNTSO, as stated in your letter dated 24 July 1979, the Government of Egypt reiterates its acceptance of the presence and functioning of the UNTSO military observers and reaffirms Egypt's readiness to extend to you, Mr. Secretary-General, its full co-operation. It is Egypt's established policy to consider the United Nations presence on its territory as a solid manifestation of the United Nations determination to uphold the Charter's principles and in particular to safeguard the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of all Member States.

(<u>Signed</u>) Dr. A. Esmat Abdel MEGUID Ambassador Permanent Representative