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LETTER DATED 16 FEBRUARY 2000 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF PORTUGAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to bring to your attention the statement on the presidential elections in Senegal issued on 14 February 2000 by the Presidency of the European Union on behalf of the European Union (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

[Original: English and French]

Statement on the presidential elections in Senegal issued on
14 February 2000 by the Presidency of the European Union on
behalf of the European Union

Senegal is preparing for presidential elections in the year 2000, to be contested by eight candidates – a testimony to the vitality of the country's pluralist democracy.

The European Union welcomes the tradition and democratic zeal of Senegalese society, calls on all the parties concerned to ensure that, at all stages, the electoral process is conducted in a fair, transparent and peaceful manner and would encourage them to demonstrate a spirit of dialogue, understanding and tolerance.

The Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union, the associated countries Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, and the European Free Trade Association countries members of the European Economic Area align themselves with this statement.
