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**Security Council Committee established
pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999)
concerning Afghanistan****Letter dated 20 March 2000 from the Permanent Representative
of Belarus to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of
the Committee**

Pursuant to paragraph 10 of Security Council resolution 1267 (1999), I would like to inform the Committee established in accordance with the above resolution of the steps taken by the Government of Belarus to implement paragraph 4 of the resolution.

All the competent authorities in Belarus have been informed about the restrictions pursuant to the resolution aimed at the prohibition of any aircraft owned, leased or operated by or on behalf of the Taliban — including those owned, leased or operated by the Ariana airline — from taking off from or landing in the territory of Belarus as well as at the freezing of funds of the Taliban or any undertaking controlled by the Taliban. All relevant authorities in Belarus have confirmed that all necessary measures have been taken in this regard.

The Government of Belarus has also carefully considered the guidelines adopted by the Sanctions Committee and confirmed its full compliance with these guidelines.

I would also like to emphasize that the Government of Belarus views with particular concern the continuing lack of a political solution to the conflict in Afghanistan, and supports all steps aimed at a cessation of military action, national reconciliation and peaceful negotiation by the parties to the conflict. Belarus supports the sovereignty, territorial integrity and national unity of Afghanistan and the role of the United Nations in a peaceful settlement of the crisis.

I would be grateful if this letter were published as a document of the Security Council.

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