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Letter dated 11 December 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Mali to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

With reference to my communications in plenary consultations of the Security Council on 21 November 2000 and today, I have the honour to confirm that the Mediation and Security Council of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), at its fourth ministerial meeting, held in Abuja on 4 October 2000, decided to deploy an ECOWAS observer mission on the border between Guinea and Liberia.

Accordingly, the high authorities of ECOWAS are requesting United Nations assistance in the deployment of the mission, which could make a useful contribution towards ensuring security and stability in the West African subregion.

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

(Signed) Moutar **Ouane**
Ambassador
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