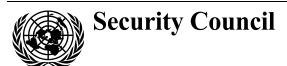
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Letter dated 3 January 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Liberia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I present my compliments to you and, upon the instruction of my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter addressed to you dated 3 January 2001 (see annex).

I shall appreciate it if the present letter and its annex can be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Neh **Dukuly-Tolbert**Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex to the letter dated 3 January 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Liberia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am pleased to present my compliments and to refer to the recent report of the Panel of Experts, appointed pursuant to Security Council resolution 1306 (2000), paragraph 19, in relation to Sierra Leone (see S/2000/1195). After reviewing the report, my Government has observed that portions of the report deal with Liberia and that some grave allegations were made against Liberia which are contained in the report. The report also included recommendations for measures to be taken against Liberia which are detrimental to the interests of Liberia.

In view of the above, and in keeping with Article 32 of the Charter of the United Nations, Liberia wishes to request that it be invited to the discussion of the Security Council on the Panel's report. Additionally, and in keeping with rule 38 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, I wish to inform the Security Council that the Government of Liberia will make a proposal for the Council's consideration.

I wish to request that you circulate this document as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mónie R. Captan Minister of Foreign Affairs, R.L.