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## Letter dated 5 July 2001 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention the following relevant provisions of Security Council resolution 1355 (2001) of 15 June 2001.

In paragraph 2 of section A of the above-mentioned resolution, the Council, acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, "demands that the Front de Libération du Congo disengage and redeploy its forces in accordance with the Harare sub-plans and the commitment it made to the Security Council mission to the Great Lakes region, in their meeting of 25 May 2001, and expresses its intention to monitor this process".

In paragraph 5 of section A of the same resolution, the Security Council, still acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, "demands that the Rassemblement Congolais pour la Démocratie demilitarize Kisangani in accordance with resolution 1304 (2000), and that all parties respect the demilitarization of the city and its environs".

In paragraph 28, the Security Council, again *acting* under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, "*expresses again* its readiness to consider possible measures which could be imposed, in accordance with its responsibilities and obligations under the Charter of the United Nations, in case of failure by parties to comply fully with this resolution and other relevant resolutions".

My Government wishes to inform the Security Council that, to date, the forces of the Front de Libération du Congo (FLC) and the Uganda People's Defence Force (UPDF) have not disengaged and redeployed in accordance with the Kampala Disengagement and Redeployment Plan of 8 April 2000 to the new defensive positions in zone 1, with a view to the establishment of a disengagement zone.

For information, the new defensive positions identified by FLC and UPDF are: Imese, Libanda, Wenga, Basankusu and Waka.

The Council, moreover, is aware of the public and frequently reiterated refusal of the RCD-Goma and Rwandan authorities to demilitarize the city of Kisangani and of the multiple and unacceptable pressures which they exercise on the personnel of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC).

My Government requests that the Security Council meet to:

- 1. Take note of the refusal of the aggressors and their so-called "rebel" movements to abide by the provisions of resolution 1355 (2001) of 15 June 2001;
  - 2. Establish a deadline for the end of the disengagement phase;
- 3. Set dates for the beginning and end of the process of demilitarization of the city of Kisangani;
- 4. Give serious consideration to the sanctions which the Council might impose on those parties that continue to violate with complete impunity all the resolutions aimed at restoring peace to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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

(Signed) Ileka Atoki Ambassador Permanent Representative

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