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Letter dated 23 October 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to bring to your attention the statement on Cyprus-the United Nations process, issued on 23 October 2001 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 distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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Statement on Cyprus — the United Nations process issued on 23 October 2001 by the Presidency of the European Union on behalf of the European Union

The European Union supports the statement by the President of the United Nations Security Council of 26 September 2001, in particular the disappointment expressed at the refusal of the Turkish side to take part in the meeting on 12 September 2001. It continues to back unreservedly the efforts of the United Nations Secretary-General to resume, without preconditions, in line with Security Council resolution 1250 (1999), the search for a comprehensive and lasting settlement in conformity with the relevant Security Council resolutions, and calls on all parties involved to cooperate in the process with a view to achieving a political settlement before the end of the negotiations for the accession of Cyprus to the European Union.
