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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia

Note verbale dated 18 June 2002 from the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations in New York presents its compliments to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia and, with reference to the Chairman's note No. SCA/1/02(09) dated 7 June 2002, has the honour to inform the Committee that the security departments of the Ministry of the Interior and Municipalities are monitoring the movement of imports and exports of weapons and munitions to and from Lebanon. It wishes to stress that these departments are complying with the regulations set out in Decree-law No. 137 of 12 June 1959, on arms and munitions, in respect of the acquisition of permits and licenses needed for each export or import operation of arms or munitions. They are also combating all attempts to smuggle these objects, and the necessary legal measures are being taken to deal with offenders, to seize and confiscate contraband arms and munitions and to deposit them with the competent authorities, in coordination with the judicial authority concerned.

The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

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