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LETTER FROM THE INDIAN LIAISON OFFICER WITH THE UNITED NATIONS
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Sir,

On the 15th August 1947 the Government of Pakistan telegraphically applied for membership of the United Nations. (Document S/498 dated 16 August 1947)

The Government of India is particularly interested in expediting the decision of the Security Council on this petition in order to enable Pakistan to be admitted during the forthcoming session of the Assembly.

I have therefore been directed to apply for the privileges of Article 31: the interests of the Government of India in this matter are obvious and well known, but more particularly, I would emphasize that apart from geographical proximity, the two States have been linked for centuries past by social, cultural and economic bonds. It is expected that these common ties will continue in the future.

The Government of India's interest in ensuring early admission of Pakistan as a Member State is therefore paramount, and it has accordingly appointed Dr. P.P. Pillai to present the Government of India's views at the discretion of the Council under Article 31.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

/s/

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