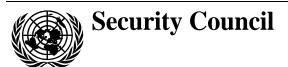
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Letter dated 21 October 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In my capacity as Chairman of the African Group for the month of October 2002, I have the honour to request an authorization for Ambassador Amadou Kébé, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations, to intervene in the debate on "Strengthening cooperation between the United Nations system and the Central African Region in the maintenance of peace and security" in the public meeting of the Security Council to be held on 22 October 2002, in accordance with rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ahmed Aboul **Gheit**Ambassador
Chairman of the African Group

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