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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Letter dated 10 October 1988 from the Permanent Representative of
Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith, in English and in French, the text of a statement on Chile made on behalf of the Twelve member States of the European Communities.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under agenda item 12.

(Signed) Constantine D. ZEPOS
Ambassador

ANNEX

Statement by the Twelve on Chile

The Twelve, who have constantly supported an early and orderly restoration of democracy in Chile, welcome the result of Wednesday's plebiscite as a first step towards the establishment of democracy in Chile.

The Twelve take note of the assurance of the Chilean Government that it will fully respect the expressed will of the people. They also urge the Government to proceed to a dialogue with the democratic opposition, thus facilitating a full restoration of democracy in Chile.

The Twelve believe that for the attainment of that goal full respect of human rights and civil liberties is necessary, and that all parties should exercise self-restraint during this delicate and transitory period.

On this occasion, which could augur a new era for Chile, the Twelve wish to pay special tribute to the courage and tenacity shown by the Chilean people in their endeavour to obtain the return of democracy in their country.
