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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

1. On 9 January 1974, the President of the Security Council received the following letter from the Secretary-General:

"I have the honour to inform you that I have the intention to appoint Major-General Bengt Liljestrand, of Sweden, Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine (UNTSO) as of 1 April 1974.

"It will be recalled that immediately after the adoption of Security Council resolution 340 (1973) of 25 October 1973 and in accordance with arrangements approved by the Security Council, I appointed Major-General (now Lieutenant-General) Ensio Siilasvuo, the then Chief of Staff of UNTSO, as the Interim Commander of the United Nations Emergency Force in the Middle East (UNEF). General Siilasvuo was appointed Force Commander on 25 November 1973.

"To replace General Siilasvuo at the head of UNTSO, the Government of Ireland made available Colonel R. W. Bunworth for service as Acting Chief of Staff of UNTSO for a limited period. The assignment of Colonel Bunworth will expire on 1 April 1974 when General Liljestrand takes over as Chief of Staff.

"I should be most grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council."

2. Upon receipt of the letter, the President of the Security Council had it circulated to the members of the Council.

3. On 5 February 1974, the President of the Security Council addressed the following reply to the Secretary-General:

"On the basis of consultations with the members of the Security Council, I am pleased to inform you that the Security Council has taken note of your letter of 9 January and would have no objection to the appointment of Major-General Liljestrand as Chief of Staff of UNTSO,

"The Chinese representative has informed me that China dissociates itself from this matter."