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LETTER DATED 27 OCTOBER 1956 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVE OF ITALY ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that this morning I have received instructions from my Government to call your attention on the situation created in Hungary by the participation of foreign armed forces in the attempt to repress with brutal and violent means the imprescriptible civil and human rights of the Hungarian people.

The Italian Government, on the basis of Article 35 of the Charter, has instructed me to address to you, in your capacity as President of the Security Council, the request that the question arising from the situation in Hungary be included in the Agenda of the Security Council and be discussed under the Charter with priority over any other item in order first of all to investigate on the grave situation in Hungary.

At the very moment that I received the above instructions I have been informed that, pursuant to Article 34 of the Charter, the Governments of France, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and of the United States have decided to request the inclusion in the Agenda of the item:
"The situation in Hungary" and have in fact requested that you convene an urgent meeting of the Security Council for the consideration of this item.

Taking account of this fact and upon further instructions from my Government I have now the honour to inform you that Italy desires to be associated with the request that the three Governments have submitted.

Please accept, Mr. President, etc.

(Signed) Leonardo Vitetti

