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PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES BETWEEN STATES

Letter dated 14 December 1984 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward herewith the Final Communiqué adopted by the Fifth Session of the Supreme Council of the Co-operation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, held in Kuwait from 27 to 29 November 1984.

Upon instructions from my Government, I wish to request that this letter and the communiqué annexed thereto be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda items 23, 24, 33, 36, 68, 123 and 124.

(<u>Signed</u>) Mohammad A. ABULHASAN Ambassador Permanent Representative

## Annex

FIFTH SESSION OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL

Kuwait

Rabi' I A.H. 1405/November A.D. 1984

## Supreme Council of the Gulf Co-operation Council

## Final communiqué of the fifth session

Kuwait

4-6 Rabi' I A.H. 1405

27-29 November A.D. 1984

The Supreme Council of the Co-operation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf held its fifth session in Kuwait from 4 to 6 Rabi' I A.H. 1405, corresponding to 27 to 29 November 1984 at the invitation of His Highness Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah, Amir of Kuwait. The meeting was attended by:

His Highness Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahayan, Head of State, United Arab Emirates;

His Highness Sheikh Isa bin Sulman Al Khalifa, Amir of the State of Bahrain;

His Majesty King Fahd ibn Abdul Aziz Al Saud, King of Saudi Arabia;

His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said, Sultan of Oman;

His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamed Al Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar; and

His Highness Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah, Amir of the State of Kuwait.

The Council reviewed developments in co-operation among Member States and achievements since its fourth session, held at Doha. The Council discussed the Iraq-Iran war in view of the threat it posed to the security and stability of the entire region.

It studied the current Arab situation and the effect of inter-Arab disagreements on crucial Arab issues, and also discussed the role played by member States at the international level.

The Council expressed great satisfaction at the steps taken with regard to the consolidating and co-ordinating the positions adopted by member States and reaffirming the bonds uniting them in such a way as to deepen the sense of belonging and inculcate in the citizen the belief that he is an integral part of a

single entity designed to ensure union among those States. The Council also affirmed its belief in the need to establish wider perspectives for political, economic and social co-operation in order to promote progress towards the achievement of its goals.

The Council noted that the achievements attained in implementation of the Joint Economic Agreement represented a first step on the way to economic integration. Accordingly, the Council, desirous of opening up wide perspectives for co-operation, reached agreement on the text regulating the rights of ownership nationals of member States. The Council also reviewed the results achieved by the competent committees in the defence and security sector. It stressed the importance of these achievements, which will help to translate the principle of self-reliance into a tangible fact, thereby ensuring that the people of the States members of the Council can bear the responsibility for the defense of those States.

The Council studied the situation in the region and the danger posed by the continuance of the Iraq-Iran war to its stability and security. It studied developments in the contacts made and the endeavours undertaken to put an end to a war that has consumed the energies of two neighbouring countries and two Muslim peoples. It expressed the affirmation of member States that they would continue to make efforts to devise a peaceful solution to the situation and to support the initiatives of the United Nations, the Good Offices Commission of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries. It stressed the readiness of the States members of the Council to undertake any direct initiative that might bring about progress towards dialogue and negotiations, and formulated concepts in that regard that it hoped would meet with the required responsiveness. It expressed its satisfaction at the positive attitude of the Republic of Iraq towards the resolutions of the United Nations and the efforts of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries. The Council calls upon the Islamic Republic of Iran to join in efforts aimed at devising a solution based on respect for the rights of both parties.

The Council also affirmed the importance of the principles promulgated in Security Council resolution 552 (1984), of 1 June 1984.

In the Arab sphere, the Council reviewed the current Arab situation, the negative consequences of continuing inter-Arab disagreements, and the effect of such disagreements on crucial Arab issues. In response to the call of the national duty, the Council expresses its readiness to join in a collective Arab effort to eliminate tension and limit inter-Arab disagreements and to strive to reach an inter-Arab agreement placing Arab interests above all other considerations.

The Council discussed the question of Palestine and the stages through which it had passed. It affirmed its continued support for the legitimacy of the Palestine Liberation Organization and its backing for it as the sole legitimate representative of the people of Palestine.

The Council affirms its continued support for the unity of fraternal Lebanon and for the preservation of its stability, independence and national sovereignty over its territory.

In the economic sphere, the Council expressed its satisfaction at the steps taken in implementation of the Joint Economic Agreement. That had contributed to an appreciable increase in trade among the States members of the Council. The secretariat was commissioned to carry out a study of ways and means conducive to the promotion of joint projects. It was decided to give priority to domestic products in government projects. The Ministerial Council was empowered to adopt a strategy for the development and integration of the States of the Gulf Co-operation Council at its forthcoming session following the completion of studies by member States.

The Council expressed its appreciation for the efforts of the Secretary-General and decided to renew the appointment of Mr. Abdullah Yacoub Bishara as Secretary-General of the Co-operation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf. It also approved the budget of the secretariat for the financial year A.H. 1405.

The Council appreciates the great effort made by His Highness Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Jaber, Amir of Kuwait, and by his Government for the success of this session. The Council also appreciates the sincere feeling shown by the people of Kuwait and the great significance of that generous feeling which reflects Kuwait's belief in the Council and its role in its conduct.

The Council expresses its immense obligation and appreciation to His Highness Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed al-Jaber and to his Government for these efforts. It records its sense of sincere gratitude for the warmth of the reception received by Their Highneses and Their Majesties and for the excellent arrangements made, which played a basic role in ensuring the results achieved at the meetings.

The Council looks forward to reconvening at its sixth session to be held at Muscat in Safar A.H. 1406, corresponding to November 1985, at the invitation of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said, Sultan of Oman.

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