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NOTE VERBALE DATED 16 AUGUST 1990 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.  
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF NEW ZEALAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of New Zealand to the United Nations presents her compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the Note of 8 August from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand to the Secretary-General in which the Government of New Zealand indicated that it was proceeding urgently with the implementation of Security Council resolution 661 (1990) imposing sanctions on Iraq and Kuwait.

The Chargé d'affaires is now able to advise of the following measures taken by the Government of New Zealand to give effect to the resolution:

- (a) A customs ban was imposed on the export of all goods to Iraq and Kuwait. This ban took effect at midnight on 9 August.
- (b) Customs regulations were enacted on 13 August to prohibit the importation of all goods exported by Iraq and Kuwait.
- (c) Other measures were also taken to draw the terms of the resolution to the attention of relevant agencies in New Zealand and, through them, to the attention of traders and financial institutions. The Government of New Zealand is confident that trade has ceased between New Zealand and Iraq and Kuwait in terms of the resolution.

The Chargé d'affaires is further able to advise that regulations to implement the sanctions in New Zealand law in a comprehensive way are being put in place. These regulations will supersede the prohibitions on imports and exports that are already in place and will implement in detail the prohibitions contained in resolution 661. These regulations, which will be passed under the United Nations Act 1946, will be made available to the Committee as soon as they have been enacted. The New Zealand Permanent Mission may be in a position to report further on this matter prior to the first meeting of the Security Council Committee on the implementation of resolution 661.

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The Chargé d'affaires also wishes to advise that the terms of resolution 661 have been drawn to the attention of the authorities of Cook Islands and Niue in order that appropriate measures may be taken to implement it in their territories.

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