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SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a statement by an official spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs concerning the statement made by Yuval Ne'eman, the Zionist Minister for Science.

"The statement made by Zionist Minister for Science Yuval Ne'eman to the effect that Israel has the capacity to use chemical weapons came as no surprise to us, since all the indications are that the Zionist entity possesses all types of weapons of mass destruction whether nuclear, chemical and biological weapons or others.

"The attempts made by officials of the Zionist entity to side-step that statement or to obscure it are to no avail. The statement is explicit, and the Zionist Minister is in a position to know what particular weapons his Government possesses since he formerly occupied the position of senior scientist in the Ministry of Defence of the Zionist entity.

"The question that comes directly to mind when confronted with this statement is that of the silence of the United States and the West in general with regard to it, and that at a time when United States and Western circles are moving heaven and earth against Iraq and other States which are arming themselves for the purpose of self-defence.

"The silence of the United States and of the West is yet one more indication of the duplicitous approach of their policy towards the Middle East, which is based on making the Zionist entity the dominant force in the region and a sustained effort to deprive the Arabs of the legitimate means of defending themselves and their interests in the face of Zionist aggression and Zionist ambitions."

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I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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