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LETTER DATED 24 AUGUST 1990 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
CYPRUS TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Further to my letter dated 7/8/90 (S/21542) I have the honour to attach herewith note verbale dated 23 August 1990 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus addressed to Your Excellency, regarding Security Council resolution 661 (1990).

(Signed) Andreas MAVROMMATIS
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
Cyprus to the United Nations

Annex

Note verbale dated 23 August 1990 from the Minister for Foreign
Affairs of Cyprus addressed to the Secretary-General

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and with reference to his note SCPC/7/90(1), regarding the measures taken by the Government of the Republic of Cyprus in accordance with the provisions of Security Council resolution 661 (1990), has the honour to inform as follows:

(a) The Council of Ministers of the Republic at an extraordinary meeting on 8 August 1990 decided that Cyprus will fully abide by the provisions of Security Council resolution 661 (1990); the Council furthermore instructed all ministries and government departments involved to take all necessary measures in accordance with and in implementation of the provisions of the said resolution.

(b) More specifically the following measures have been taken:

- (1) All Cypriot imports, including oil supplies, from Iraq and Kuwait are prohibited as well as all Cypriot exports, re-exports or transiting of goods to Iraq and Kuwait. In this respect any export licences already granted for the above two countries and any import licences which were not executed until 17 August 1990 were cancelled.
- (2) All customs stations have been instructed to adhere strictly to the provisions of Security Council resolution 661 (1990) with regard to export, re-export and trans-shipment of goods destined to Iraq and Kuwait, with exception for supplies intended strictly for medical purposes and foodstuffs for humanitarian purposes.
- (3) The Central Bank of Cyprus issued circulars to all banks operating in Cyprus guiding them on how they should handle transactions involving Iraq and Kuwait, so that they comply strictly with the provisions of the above resolution. This measure includes all exchange operations, transfer of funds, movement of capital as well as the freezing of all Iraqi or Kuwaiti assets in Cyprus, with an exception for the current reasonable subsistence expenditures of individuals.
- (4) Vessels under Cyprus flag have been advised not to transport cargoes to or from Iraq and Kuwait as well as cargoes originating in these two countries.
- (5) Similar measures as in paragraphs (1), (2) and (4) above have been adopted with regard to the landing and/or overflight of aircraft.

(c) The Government of the Republic of Cyprus has declared that it does not recognize the annexation of Kuwait and that it recognizes its legitimate Government with which it continues to maintain relations.