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**Review of the implementation of the
Declaration on the Strengthening of
International Security****Letter dated 29 February 2000 from the Permanent
Representative of Romania to the United Nations addressed
to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter from Petre Roman, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania, in his capacity of Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process (SEECP), regarding the SEECP Summit held at Bucharest on 12 February 2000, which adopted a Charter on Good-Neighbourly Relations, Stability, Security and Cooperation in South-Eastern Europe.

I should be grateful if the text of the Charter on Good-Neighbourly Relations, Stability, Security and Cooperation in South-Eastern Europe were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 84.

(Signed) **Ion Gorita**
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

Annex

Letter dated 28 February 2000 from the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania to the Secretary-General

I am writing to you in my capacity of Chairman-in-Office of the South-East European Cooperation Process (SEEC), a regional initiative whose primary objective is to strengthen good-neighbourly relations among all the States in South-East Europe with the aim of building this region into an area of peace, security, stability and cooperation.

I am pleased to inform you that the Heads of State and Government of the countries of the region have signed, during their summit meeting held in Bucharest on 12 February 2000, the Charter on Good-Neighbourly Relations, Stability, Security and Cooperation in South-Eastern Europe, one of the major political intergovernmental documents ever agreed upon by these countries. The Charter constitutes a genuine code of conduct for relations among the States in the region, as well as a real action programme aimed at enhancing their cooperation in all areas of mutual interest.

I have the honour to officially convey to you a copy of this Charter, bearing the signatures of the President of Romania and the Prime Ministers of the SEEC participating countries present at the Bucharest summit.

As you may wish to note, the Heads of State and Government of the countries participating in the SEEC solemnly reaffirmed their unreserved commitment to the principles and norms enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations. The Charter on Good-Neighbourly Relations, Stability, Security and Cooperation in South-Eastern Europe emphasizes that the cooperation among the countries of this region shall be founded on the Charter of the United Nations, on the principle of full respect for the territorial integrity and sovereignty of all the States in the area, on the principles of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the relevant documents of the Council of Europe, in particular the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

It would be very much appreciated if this Charter on Good-Neighbourly Relations, Stability, Security and Cooperation in South-Eastern Europe were published as a United Nations document, under the item of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly relating to the maintenance of international security, stability and development of South-Eastern Europe.

(Signed) **Petre Roman**
Deputy Prime Minister
Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania
SEEC Chairman-in-Office