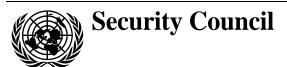
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Letter dated 20 September 2000 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that, following consultations, the members of the Security Council have agreed to dispatch a mission to Sierra Leone from 7 to 14 October 2000. The members have also agreed on the terms of reference of the mission, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. Consultations on the composition of the mission are continuing.

I should be grateful if you could have the Secretariat make all the necessary arrangements to facilitate the work of the mission.

(Signed) Moctar **Ouane**President of the Security Council

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Annex

Terms of reference of the Security Council mission to Sierra Leone

- To support the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL) and to consider ways of ensuring the full application of the Security Council resolutions on Sierra Leone and the implementation of the measures taken by the Secretary-General to enhance the effectiveness of UNAMSIL;
- To support the efforts of the Government of Sierra Leone and review with it the progress made with regard to certain aspects of the implementation of the Lomé Peace Agreement, and to explore the possibilities of support on the part of the Council;
- To consider the regional dimensions of the crisis, including its humanitarian aspects, and what further measures the Council could envisage taking in this regard, and, in particular, to work with the leaders of the neighbouring States and the Economic Community of West African States to promote a lasting solution to the conflict and foster closer cooperation between the United Nations and the region in the context of their efforts in this regard;
- To follow up, as appropriate, the report of the Secretary-General on the establishment of a special court for Sierra Leone envisaged in Security Council resolution 1315 (2000) of 14 August 2000.

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