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The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAN AND IRAQ

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL (S/18480)

The PRESIDENT: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

After consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the members of the Security Council:

"The Security Council met today to consider the report of the Secretary-General of 26 November 1986 (S/18480) requested by Security Council resolution 588 (1986). After consultations, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the members of the Security Council:

Secretary-General (S/18480) and express profound concern at the serious situation which continues to exist between Iran and Iraq. They reiterate their call for the implementation of Security Council resolutions 582 (1986) and 588 (1986) and for the resolution of the prolonged conflict by peaceful means. They again emphasize the obligation of Member States to settle their disputes by peaceful means and, in this context, to co-operate with the Security Council. In this regard, the members of the Council urge the Secretary-General to continue with his efforts and call upon the parties to co-operate with him.

(The President)

"The members of the Security Council continue to deplore the violation of international humanitarian law and other laws of armed conflict. They express their deepening concern over the widening of the conflict through the escalation of attacks on purely civilian targets, on merchant shipping and oil installations of the littoral States. They call for respect, in accordance with international law, for the territorial integrity of the States of the region and for the right of free navigation and commerce, as well as for the operation of off-shore installations"."

There being no objection, I understand that the Council approves the issuance that presidential statement.

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT: Before adjourning this meeting, I should like to take this opportunity, since this may well be the last meeting of the year, to bid farewell to those members which are leaving the Security Council this year, namely, Australia, Denmark, Madagascar, Thailand and Trinidad and Tobago, and to thank them, on behalf of the other members, for their contribution to our work.

I should also like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Secretary-General, Mr. Javier Perez de Cuellar, for his tireless efforts in supporting the work of the Security Council, and to the Secretariat staff for continuously facilitating our work. I extend to everyone best wishes for the forthcoming holidays and for peace in the new year.

(The President)

Joyeux Noël et bonne année.

Feliz Navidad y año nuevo.

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The meeting rose at 8.05 p.m.

