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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Adoption of the agenda]

TXT[Adoption of the agenda

Communications relating to Iraqi vessels in Yemen

Notes verbales dated 1, 9, 15 and 28 September 1993 from the

Permanent Mission of Jordan addressed to the Chairman

Implementation of Security Council resolutions 706 (1991) and 712

(1991) Letter dated 22 September 1991 from the President of the

Security Council addressed to the Chairman

Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of

Norway addressed to the Chairman Letter dated 13 September 1993

from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the

Chairman Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent

Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman

Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of

Iraq addressed to the Chairman Letter dated 7 October 1993 (ref.

1/2/453) from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the

Chairman ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA The agenda was adopted.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen

(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Drew attention to communications relating to Iraqi vessels in

Yemen (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577 and 2668) which had been briefly

discussed at the previous meeting and to a new communication from

Iraq (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3218) transmitting a letter from Iraq's

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs containing some critical

observations on the Committee's discussion of the issue of Iraqi

ships in Yemen at its preceding meeting. All three communications

requested the Committee's authorization for the return to Iraq of

Iraqi ships currently harbouring in Yemeni ports. The Committee had

in the past dealt with similar requests that had some relevance to

the present case. Regarding a request in September 1991 from Iraq

to move three Iraqi tankers from Aden, Yemen, to Aqaba, Jordan, the

Committee had decided to seek further information from both Yemen

and Jordan.]

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ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen

(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Regarding a further request in August 1992 from Iraq for

permission to move 14 Iraqi vessels anchored outside Iraq back to

Iraq, under the supervision of the Committee, the Committee had

been unable to agree to the Iraqi request.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen

(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[The Committee had been right not to grant the previous requests

for the release of Iraqi ships. While she sympathized with the

Yemeni Government over the problems the ships were causing, their release was incompatible with the sanctions regime. If a similar situation arose in the United Kingdom, the owners of the vessels would have to pay the costs relating to the vessels or the pollution caused by them. If that were not done, under United Kingdom law, the United Kingdom could sell the vessels to cover those costs. It was therefore a matter for the Yemeni Government to determine what solution could be found under Yemeni law that was compatible with the Security Council resolutions. While she was somewhat surprised at the contents of the letters, she said that the Chairman should deal with the matter as he saw fit.]

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SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Understood the difficulty facing the Yemeni Government. However, paragraph 4 of resolution 661 (1990) clearly prohibited the kind of dealings with Iraq for which authorization was requested.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Agreed with the representatives of France and the United Kingdom. A response reflecting those positions should be drafted by the Chairman.]

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SPKR[Ashiki] MS[Japan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Sympathized with the Yemeni Government, but that the Committee should not deviate from the precedents set by previous cases.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Communications relating to Iraq vessels in Yemen (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2577, 2668 and 3218)]

TXT[Would draft a reply informing the Government of Yemen that the Committee was unable to authorize its requests.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Notes verbales dated 1, 9, 15 and 28 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2738, 3111, 3112, and 3205)]

TXT[Drew attention to four notes verbale from Jordan (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2738, 3111, 3112 and 3205) providing information on the traffic of food and medical supplies that passed through the Ruweished border on their way to Iraq covering the period from 1 August to 10 September 1993. He suggested that the Committee should

take note of those communications. It was so decided.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Implementation of Security Council resolutions 706 and 712 (1991) (S/AC.25/1992/HUM/COMM.2/Add.1, S/AC.25/1993/HUM/COMM.1, 2 and 3)]

TXT[Recalled that pursuant to a decision taken by the Committee at its 51st meeting concerning procedures to be employed by the Committee in the discharge of its responsibilities under resolutions 706 (1991) and 712 (1991), States might forward to the Committee a list of national oil purchasers authorized to communicate with the overseer selected by the Committee for the purpose of overseeing procedures for oil sales by Iraq in compliance with the relevant provisions in the resolutions.]

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ITEM[Implementation of Security Council resolutions 706 and 712 (1991) (S/AC.25/1992/HUM/COMM.2/Add.1, S/AC.25/1993/HUM/COMM.1, 2 and 3)]

TXT[According to that decision, once the Committee had taken note of those lists and passed them on to the Overseer, those purchasers were entitled to communicate directly with the Overseer. He drew attention to four communications in that category (S/AC.25/1992/HUM/COMM.2/Add.1 and S/AC.25/1993/HUM/COMM.1, 2, and 3), all forwarding the names of oil companies authorized by the respective Governments to communicate with the Overseer. He suggested that the Committee should take note of those communications and pass them on to the Overseer in due course. It was so decided.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Drew attention to a letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103) forwarding a letter from the Secretary-General enclosing letters from the Permanent Representative of Iraq and from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States concerning the payment by Iraq, from its frozen assets, of its contributions to the two organizations. He said that the possible use by Iraq of its frozen assets for contributions to international organizations had been a long-standing issue. He recalled that the Committee had considered similar cases in the past. At its 80th meeting, the Committee had discussed an Iraqi request for its funds held in trust by UNESCO to be unfrozen in order to permit their use for payment of rent and salaries for Iraq's delegation and for certain of its contributions to UNESCO.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[The Committee had agreed that the use of the funds in question should be determined in bilateral arrangements between UNESCO and Iraq, on condition that there should be no contravention of any of the relevant Security Council resolutions. At its 83rd meeting, the Committee had considered a query by the Legal Adviser of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) relating to the possibility of allowing Iraq to pay part of its contributions from its frozen funds outside the country. The Committee had concluded that the Chairman should write to the Legal Adviser of ITU stating that no resolution affected Iraq's participation in or payment of its contributions to international organizations. Regarding the use of frozen assets, however, the Chairman had drawn attention to paragraph 9 of resolution 670 (1990), paragraph 20 of resolution 687 (1991) and paragraph 11 of resolution 778 (1992).]

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ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[A third case had concerned an Iraqi request to release part of its frozen account balance at the Bank for International Settlements in order to pay its contributions to the World Health Organization (WHO). At its 89th meeting, and bearing in mind the precedents, the Committee had been unable to agree and had decided to defer the consideration of the issue so that some members could have more time to consider the legal aspects of the matter. The matter had not been taken up again since then.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[The Iraqi authorities were free to pay their contributions. Whether the United Nations could accept Iraqi dinars was a technical issue to be decided between the Secretariat and the Iraqi Government. Given the precedents already established, it would be difficult to find in the resolutions any authorization for the release of frozen funds, even though it would of course be desirable to expand the number of countries that paid their contributions.]

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SPKR[Cardoso] MS[Brazil] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Agreed that it was not possible to find any provisions within the relevant resolutions that might authorize the release of frozen assets so that the Iraqi Government could pay its contributions to the United Nations or to the League of Arab States. As to the use

of Iraqi dinars for payment, he said that the United Nations only accepted payment in national currencies when it had some use for such currencies in its programme of work. The Secretary-General had indicated in his letter that the United Nations had been unable, for practical reasons, to accept Iraq's offer to pay its contribution in Iraqi dinars.]

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SPKR[Cardoso] MS[Brazil] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Iraq currently owed some \$1.3 million in contributions to the regular budget and \$1.6 million to the peace-keeping budget. He wondered whether in the near future the Committee might not make a carefully worded recommendation to the Security Council to make a provision to allow those contributions to be paid.]

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SPKR[Dastis] MS[Spain] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[The issue was complex and nothing in the existing resolutions provided a basis for authorizing Iraq's request. He supported the recommendation of the representative of Brazil to bring the matter before the Security Council, because the Council was the one body which could give such an authorization. He therefore suggested that the Chairman should raise the question with the President of the Security Council. His delegation wished to receive further clarification regarding the practical reasons why Iraqi dinars could not be accepted. Even if accepting Iraqi dinars in payment for contributions might cause accounting problems, United Nations activities in Iraq required large amounts of Iraqi currency. The proposal was therefore legitimate.]

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SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[A distinction should be made between contributions to the United Nations and those to the League of Arab States. The letter from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States referred to paragraph 4 of resolution 661 (1990), which, that organization claimed, made an exception in the case of frozen funds used as payment for foodstuffs or for humanitarian purposes. He wished to receive further clarification on what those humanitarian purposes might be and how the League of Arab States might use the contributions. With regard to the payment by Iraq of its contributions to the United Nations, he wished to have further information on the technical reasons why the United Nations could not accept payment in Iraqi dinars.]

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SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the
security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Furthermore, discussions should be continued on the general
issue of releasing frozen Iraqi assets for the payment of Iraq's
contributions to international organizations, which, strictly
speaking, was not authorized. However, the problem was posed of the
participation of a Member State and the payment of its dues. The
matter should therefore be raised by the Chairman with the
President of the Security Council.]

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SPKR[Barbosa] MS[Cape Verde] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the
security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Without wishing to make any specific proposals at the current
stage, that he agreed with the preceding speakers, and that the
matter should be considered by the Security Council, which was the
competent body.]

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SPKR[Badri] MS[Djibouti] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the
security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Agreed with the suggestion of the representative of Spain that
further clarification should be requested as to why payment of
contributions could not be accepted in Iraqi dinars, in particular
since the United Nations was engaged in a considerable amount of
work in Iraq. He therefore supported the proposal of the
representative of Brazil.]

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SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the
security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Only the Security Council had the authority to grant an
exception permitting the release of frozen assets for payment of
contributions to the United Nations and the League of Arab States.
The matter should therefore be referred to the Council.]

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SPKR[Gatillov] MS[Russia] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the
security Council addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[The Committee could not deviate from established precedents.
The question was a complex and important one for both the
Organization and Iraq. The matter should be considered further and
the Chairman should hold consultations with the President of the

Security Council with a view to putting the matter before the Council.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Did not object to referring the matter to the Security Council or to holding consultations with the President of the Council. However, he noted that the letter had in fact come from the President of the Security Council, to which the matter had first been referred. The President might have felt that the issue was more technical than political, and that was why he had forwarded the letters to the Committee. It was important to establish which body was responsible for dealing with the matter. Iraq had raised the question in good faith. It had noted that it had always paid its contributions in Iraqi dinars; now that Iraqi dinars were no longer to be accepted, Iraq wanted to use its frozen assets to pay. That appeared to be a legitimate motivation. There were precedents both for and against granting the request. In the case of UNESCO, the question had been satisfactorily resolved.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[In view of the financial crisis, the United Nations should be happy to receive Iraq's contributions. Regarding the payment of dues to the League of Arab States, further clarification should be requested from the League, as suggested by the representative of France. Otherwise, the discussion should be continued, whether in the Committee or in the Security Council. If the matter was referred to the Security Council, the letter from the Committee should give a detailed review of the precedents and the legal aspects of the question.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[The issue was complex. The Committee should bear in mind the limits of its jurisdiction. Security Council resolutions clearly did not allow the release of frozen assets for payment of contributions to the United Nations. Nor did they appear to allow it for payment of contributions to the League of Arab States. However, she would welcome further information on how such payments could be considered under the heading of humanitarian purposes. In any case, the situation should not be left unresolved, and the attention of the Security Council should be drawn to the difficulty of the matter. Although a reply to the offer of Iraq to pay its contributions in Iraqi dinars lay completely outside the Committee's jurisdiction, because the United Nations was so active

in Iraq it did seem surprising that it should be unable to accept Iraqi dinars.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Observed that the consensus appeared to be that the request should not be rejected out of hand and that there should be further discussion of the matter. The representative of Morocco had made an important point regarding the referral of the matter back and forth between the Security Council and the Committee. He found merit in the Spanish proposal that he should consult with the President of the Security Council and of that of many speakers to seek further clarification from the Secretariat on the technical problems that payments in Iraqi dinars might pose. It would be helpful if the Committee could report some factual information on that subject to the Security Council. He would therefore make such inquiries of the Secretariat in order to transmit a useful report on those issues to the Security Council.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 22 September 1993 from the President of the security Council addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3103)]

TXT[Agreed with the representative of France that different considerations applied with regard to the League of Arab States. Further information should therefore be requested about the humanitarian issues that might be involved. As the representative of the United Kingdom had suggested, that might be an issue that did fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee and would not need to be referred to the Security Council. He would therefore draft a letter to the League of Arab States and would report back to the Committee when a reply was received.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]

TXT[Drew attention to the note verbale contained in document S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737, in which the Permanent Mission of Norway asked what kind of procedure should be followed with regard to the financing of Iraqi purchases of medicines by means of the transfer of frozen Iraqi funds via the sub-account of the escrow account established pursuant to Security Council resolution 712 (1991). Since there was no money in the sub-account, the Committee had not established any workable procedure on the issue and the Norwegian inquiry appeared to be the first official communication addressed to the Committee on that subject.]

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SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[The question was a simple one in which, for the first time, a country wished to make use of the sub-account. The Secretariat should therefore be requested to explain the use of the sub-account.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[Supported the proposal of the representative of France. Only after the Secretariat's explanation of how the sub-account was to be used would it be possible for the Committee to reply to Norway's communication.]

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SPKR[Dastis] MS[Spain] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[Supported the views expressed by the representatives of France and the United Kingdom. While the communication raised complex issues, the main point seemed to be that paragraph 20 of Council resolution 687 (1991) provided that the Committee should be merely notified of the export of medicines to Iraq. Consequently, the Committee should simply take note of the proposed export transaction.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[Supported the proposal of the representative of France. Norway's request, however, was really for the release of funds from the sub-account to pay for the medicines in question. It was for an organ other than the Committee to deal with the practical arrangements for releasing the funds.]

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SPKR[Adank] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[Recalled that the opinion given by the Legal Counsel had confirmed the principle of the release of frozen assets for the purpose of paying for humanitarian supplies. It was now time to move on to a further stage in which the Secretariat must make practical recommendations on how countries that so wished could channel funds via the sub-account to pay for such supplies. Such recommendations would be useful to the Committee and could form the basis of its reply to the Norwegian authorities.]

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ITEM[Note verbale dated 3 September 1993 from the Permanent Mission of Norway addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2737)]
TXT[Would request the Secretariat to explain the procedures for the use of the sub-account and to keep the Committee informed of its consideration of the issue.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Drew attention to a letter from the Permanent Representative of Jordan (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777) requesting the Committee's prompt intervention in a matter involving funds currently held by a United States bank. Given the provisions of paragraph 4 of resolution 661 (1990), it was unlikely that the Committee could agree to the lifting of the restrictions on the Jordanian transfer of funds to Iraq. The return of the funds from Citibank to Jordan was more a bilateral matter between Jordan and the United States of America.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Noted that the letter from Jordan left a number of questions unanswered. While the relevant resolutions of the Security Council were not intended to freeze Jordanian funds, a problem existed because the company in question was an Iraqi-Jordanian joint-stock company whose assets it would be difficult to separate. The Committee should therefore request Jordan to provide additional information on how the company operated. It would be difficult for the Committee to oppose the transfer of funds to their rightful owner if Iraq derived no economic benefit from such transfer.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[The Committee needed to have more detailed information on the proposed transfer, the nature of the joint-stock company, the movement of its funds, and how the respective Jordanian and Iraqi shares of the funds could be determined to the Committee's satisfaction. The Committee certainly had no wish to freeze Jordanian assets and the information sought would assist the Committee in its consideration of the request.]

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SPKR[Dastis] MS[Spain] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[While it would be difficult to separate the assets of the

joint-stock company, it might still be possible for the Committee to approve the request, since the funds were intended for the Jordanian treasury and not for the State of Iraq or Iraqi companies.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Had no objections to the proposal to request further information from Jordan. The only real question before the Committee, however, was the ownership of the funds and, in that connection, the telex attached to the letter from Jordan provided relevant information. The Committee should therefore either approve the request at its current or following meeting, pending receipt of additional information from Jordan.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Agreed that the main question was to determine ownership of the funds. If the funds were Iraqi, they should be frozen; if they were Jordanian, they must be remitted to Jordan. The letter from Jordan, however, requested that the funds should be remitted to a bank in Baghdad. The situation was thus far from clear and he was not certain whether additional information would make it any clearer for the Committee, since what was involved was domestic law and not the Security Council resolutions which had established the sanctions regime. Nevertheless, it might be helpful to inquire of the Jordanian authorities why the funds should not be remitted to a Jordanian bank. Jordan's reply might then bring to light the real problem.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Fully shared the views just expressed by the Chairman. The Committee often requested additional information in order to avoid taking hasty decisions on issues that were sometimes of a highly technical nature and he wished to dispel the doubts of those who might think that the Committee's actions were inspired by a reluctance to move forward on the issues.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 13 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.2777)]

TXT[Would convey to the Permanent Representative of Jordan the

Committee's desire to be helpful and its need for additional information concerning the technical aspects of the transfer of the Jordanian funds.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Procedure]

SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Drew attention to a letter from the United States of America (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198) informing the Committee of disturbing evidence that trade on a significant scale was being conducted between Iraq and Iran in violation of Security Council resolutions prohibiting such trade, and requesting the Committee to take immediate action to help put an end to such trade. If the alleged violation could be verified, it would certainly be a serious matter warranting some action by the Committee.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Noted that each member of the Committee had been personally briefed by his delegation. The letter drew attention to a situation in which a Government appeared to be violating the sanctions imposed by the Security Council and the Committee should therefore consider the letter in the usual manner and take the action which had been suggested in the letter.]

ISSUE[IRAQ/KUWAIT]

CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Cardoso] MS[Brazil] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[The letter from the United States raised serious concerns about the violation of the sanctions regime. The Committee should convey those concerns to the Governments of Iraq and Iran and request them to provide additional information on the matter.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Supported the statement of Mr. Cardoso of Brazil.]

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SPKR[Gatilov] MS[Russia] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[All countries were required to abide by the sanctions regime

imposed by the Security Council. He therefore shared the view that the Committee should approach the two Governments in question on the matter.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[The United States letter raised serious questions which required action on the part of the Committee. However, his delegation was unable to take a position on the matter at the current meeting, since it had received no instructions. It hoped to have the relevant instructions in time for the Committee's next meeting.]

ISSUE[IRAQ/KUWAIT]

CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Chen] MS[China] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[While the letter from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States raised legitimate concerns, the Committee should proceed with the utmost caution on the matter.]

ISSUE[IRAQ/KUWAIT]

CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Barbosa] MS[Cape Verde] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[The Committee should seek information from the Governments of Iraq and Iran before determining what action to take.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Responding to the observation made by the representative of China, said that the United States Government had adopted a prudent approach since the previous June in its bilateral contacts with the Government of Iran. The Iranian Government had been given every opportunity to respond to the allegations and it was now time for the process to move forward. He therefore hoped that the representative of Pakistan would receive his instructions as early as possible.]

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SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[His delegation would have no problem if the Committee merely

followed its standard practice and conveyed the information in its possession to the Governments of Iraq and Iran. If, however, the Committee's letter were to call upon the Government of Iran to cease and desist from violating the United Nations sanctions regime, or to abide by the United Nations sanctions against trading with Iraq, then his delegation would need specific instructions from its authorities, since such formulations would imply that the Committee had already concluded that a violation of the sanctions regime had taken place.]

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SPKR[Barbosa] MS[Cape Verde] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[The additional information just provided by the United States representative had clarified the situation for his delegation. He now had no reservations about supporting the proposal made by the representative of Brazil.]

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SPKR[Chen] MS[China] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Had taken note of the bilateral efforts already made by the United States Government. He wished to reiterate, however, that the Committee needed to examine the matter from all angles before taking action. Recent international events had shown what serious consequences sometimes followed when action was taken precipitously and on the basis of incorrect information.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Observed that if the representative of China had seen the presentation by his delegation, he might have had a different view of the matter. Despite strenuous bilateral efforts by the United States authorities, no credible response had been received from the Government of Iran. The only prudent and appropriate course of action at the current stage was therefore to formally request that the Committee should privately approach the Governments of Iran and Iraq.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Procedure]

SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[While it might become necessary at a later stage, the adoption of a decision without a consensus at the current meeting would send the wrong message.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Asked whether it would be possible to circulate the two letters under the "no-objection" procedure. The letters could then be dispatched without a further meeting when delegations received instructions.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Dastis] MS[Spain] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[His delegation was satisfied with the evidence it had received and could agree to the United States request. It would, however, support the suggestion just made. Another possible course of action would be to send copies of the letter to the delegations of Iraq and Iran, asking for a reply to the allegations and saying that, if they were correct, the actions concerned constituted a violation of the Security Council resolutions and should cease at once.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Cardoso] MS[Brazil] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[If the Committee agreed to that alternative, a deadline should be established for the comments of the two countries.]

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SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[His delegation would prefer another meeting to be held in a week's time, when it would have received its instructions and the Committee would be able to proceed on the basis of consensus.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 1 October 1993 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3198)]

TXT[Another meeting would probably be necessary because of the Committee's unfinished business. If members agreed, he would try to schedule a meeting in a week's time with a view to bringing the issue to a conclusion on which all delegations could reach a consensus. It was so decided.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Procedure]
SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent
Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[Drew attention to a letter from the Permanent Representative of
Iraq (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135), and a further letter
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135/Add.1), requesting the Committee's urgent
authorization for Iraq to use aircraft to carry out agricultural
pest control operations for the forthcoming 1994 agricultural
season in the northern and southern regions of Iraq and in the area
along the border with Iran. He noted that the Committee had
considered similar requests on a number of occasions in the past.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent
Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[In view of the need for pest control in the region, and taking
into consideration the sensitivity of the areas in which the
operations were to be carried out, the Committee had granted its
approval to such requests, after consultation with the Governments
concerned, on the understanding that the operations should be
carried out by non-Iraqi pilots and under the supervision of the
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).
Permission had been given on the further understanding that the
Committee would receive advance notice before the operations began
and that all necessary safety measures would be taken.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent
Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[In principle, her delegation had no objection to the request.
It would need to be further reassured that the operation would be
adequately monitored. It was also pleased to note that the request
had been made in good time. Since FAO had been asked to help in
monitoring the spraying in the past, it would be helpful to receive
a report from that agency on previous operations of the kind and
its proposals for monitoring the current operation to the
Committee's satisfaction. She proposed that FAO should be
contacted.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]
SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent
Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman
(S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[Concurred with the previous speaker. The reports received on
the previous year's programme indicated that it had been highly
successful and constituted a valuable example of the way in which
the international agencies could work for the benefit of the Iraqi
people. His delegation would be very interested to have the views

of FAO. He expressed appreciation of the advance notice that had been given.]

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SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[The successful arrangements of previous years should be repeated.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]
SPKR[Gatilov] MS[Russia] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[The Chairman's reply conveying the Committee's approval of the request should draw the attention of the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the necessity of ensuring that all operations were carried out under FAO supervision.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[Pointed out that advance notice would be needed of any helicopter flights in the no-fly zone.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 27 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3135 and Add.1)]
TXT[Would ask the Secretariat to confirm the arrangement with FAO, after which he would be able to respond to the Iraqi Government. He trusted that the Committee would not need to consider the request any further but he would advise it of the FAO response. It was so decided.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Procedure]
SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Drew attention to a letter from the Permanent Representative of Iraq requesting that an Iraqi vessel should be allowed to transport a group of Iraqi citizens to Qatar for the purpose of supporting the Iraqi football team which was participating in the qualifying matches for the World Cup Championship.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]
SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Could not see how the Iraqi request could be granted within the framework of the sanctions regime. Nevertheless, his delegation was prepared to listen to any ideas as to how that could be done.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]
SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Felt that the Committee should show the greatest possible flexibility and should allow Iraqi citizens a chance of some pleasure and relaxation. Perhaps Qatar, as an exception, could be given permission not to seize an Iraqi vessel docking at a port in its territory. Or the Iraqi vessel could stay offshore and the passengers be brought to port in a boat from Qatar. He appealed to the Committee to make every effort to accept the request.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Her delegation also would like the Iraqi citizens to be able to attend the match, but she agreed that there were problems which the Committee could not escape, in particular the difficulties that would arise when the ship reached port. If the Moroccan proposal was to be taken up, the Committee would need a specific request from Qatar for authorization to transport the Iraqi passengers into port.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[There was a further complication, in that the matches were due to begin on 15 October 1993, which was the next day.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[That brought up the larger issue of allowing sufficient time for dealing with requests. The Iraqi Government had been asked on previous occasions to allow more time, and where that was done, as in the case of the agricultural spraying, it worked well. He did not see how the current Iraqi request could possibly be dealt with in time.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[The general conclusion seemed to be that, for want of time

rather than good will, the Committee would be unable to accede to the request. The technical and legal questions might have been insuperable in any event but the Committee would have liked to be able to consider the matter further.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[The initial comments of the United States delegation, referring to the legal problems, were understandable but not the reference to the lack of time. The letter had been sent on 7 October, six days in advance, which should have given the Committee time. Approval of the request would be a positive humanitarian gesture by the Committee to the Iraqi people in general. He urged the United States delegation to reconsider its decision and try to help the Committee find a way out of the legal problems. The Government of Qatar could be asked what arrangements it proposed in order to get around the difficulty. The shortage of time was undoubtedly a problem and approval would probably come too late for the qualifying matches.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[A number of delegations had indicated that they would need instructions to reconsider the issue. The earliest time at which the Committee could reconvene would be the next week.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[While he accepted the desirability of approving the request, without some answers to the legal and practical difficulties that stood in the way, his delegation could not act on the matter at the current meeting.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Silva] MS[France] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[While all the members of the Committee were sympathetic to the request, they had to decide, on the basis of the information available, whether it qualified for treatment as an exception on humanitarian grounds. There was also the question of putting Qatar in a difficult situation, since, under the United Nations resolution, it would be obliged to impound the vessel. He himself would need further instructions to be able to decide and that would take too long since the matches started the next day.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[All the members of the Committee regretted the outcome. More
could have been done if the Committee had had time to identify the
real issues and try to resolve them. All that he could do was
convey to the Permanent Representative of Iraq the tenor of the
Committee's discussion.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Questions had been raised regarding the position of Qatar.
Could that Government not be contacted and asked whether it was
ready to receive the Iraqi vessel? The reply could be faxed and
circulated to the Committee and members could see whether the "no-
objection" procedure might not apply.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]
SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[While his delegation sympathized with the Iraqi request there
were some questions that needed to be answered. For example, the
Iraqi football team had reached Qatar: how had it done so? Could
not the Iraqi supporters adopt similar means? Moreover, the
Government of Qatar might not be willing to accept the Iraqi
supporters.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Was not sure how the team had reached Qatar but arrangements
had undoubtedly been made by Qatar to hold the games. The problem
was that all the other teams would have their supporters there and
Iraq would have none, which seemed unfair.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[As matters stood, the only issue was whether or not there would
be merit in asking Qatar for its reaction. Even if the information
was received next day and that Government said it had no problems,
a whole range of issues would still need to be addressed by the
Governments of members. On the other hand, he was ready to make
such an approach to Qatar if it was felt that it would be useful.]

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SPKR[Rose] MS[United States] FCT[Member] LANG[1]
ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative

of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]
TXT[Saw no use in having the Chairman make contacts which could
not, unfortunately, lead to a solution to the problem in time.]

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SPKR[Bellouki] MS[Morocco] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[If delegations felt that the request did not contain sufficient
information, it should be put on hold and further information
should be asked for. With regard to the technical problem of the
vessel entering a port in Qatar, he suggested that in order to
avoid being impounded the ship should not enter the port. Iraq
could be told that the ship must stay out of the port. It was also
important, for the Committee's own records, that Qatar's position,
as host to the games, should be known. As a matter of principle,
the Committee should ask for more information on any request that
was incomplete.]

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SPKR[Aron] MS[United Kingdom] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[Her delegation would have problems with any approach by the
Chairman to the Government of Qatar. It would be tantamount to
calling on Qatar to act in a way incompatible with the sanctions
and would put it in an embarrassing position. She suggested that
the Chairman's letter to the Permanent Representative of Iraq
should indicate that the Committee would have liked to help in what
was virtually a humanitarian matter but had not been given enough
time to discuss it, particularly since the proposal made would
violate the sanctions regime.]

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CAT[661] MTG[102] DATE[10/14/93] TYPE[Intervention]

SPKR[Niaz] MS[Pakistan] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[Suggested, as a possible compromise, that the Committee might
agree to allow the Iraqi ship to proceed on condition that it did
not enter Qatar's territorial waters and that Iraq and Qatar should
work out how to deal with the situation, possibly by having the
Qataris transport the Iraqi supporters to the port and back to the
ship.]

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SPKR[Cardoso] MS[Brazil] FCT[Member] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative
of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[While the idea was ingenious it was not within the Committee's
authority to say whether a ship of any nationality should or should
not be allowed to enter the waters of Qatar. He was very
sympathetic towards the problem but felt that, unfortunately, in
the framework of the resolution with which it was required to
comply, the Committee was not in a position to grant the request.]

His delegation would be very much in favour of a reply to Iraq expressing the Committee's sympathy and its interest in considering other requests of that kind, provided they were made sufficiently in advance.]

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SPKR[Keating] MS[New Zealand] FCT[Chairman] LANG[1]

ITEM[Letter dated 7 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq addressed to the Chairman (S/AC.25/1993/COMM.3371)]

TXT[While he was reluctant to cut off the discussion, he believed that the Committee had exhausted all the possibilities. There was not sufficient support for the proposal to contact the Government of Qatar, although, if there had been more time, it would certainly have been appropriate at least to have alerted it to the existence of the various proposals and made provision for its input to the discussion. It would be invidious to ask the Government of Qatar to comment on a difficult policy issue in circumstances in which the Committee had no intention or capability of pursuing it. He would convey the Committee's views to the Permanent Representative of Iraq.]