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NOTE TO MR. KNUTSSON

Attendance at Security Council Meetings

1. A situation appears to have evolved where Departments, Programmes and Funds, send representatives to both consultations and formal meetings of the Security Council on their own initiative, with no prior information to the EOSG (or to DPA).

2. The Secretary-General would like to introduce a system whereby the EOSG would coordinate such appearances. He has mentioned this to Mr. Prendergast, but it is really up to the EOSG to prescribe the procedure. I would appreciate your preparing a draft, (perhaps after discussing this with Mr. Prendergast and other senior officials in DPA).

Thank you.



S. Iqbal Riza 12 May 1998

cc: The Deputy Secretary-General

NOTE TO MR. PRENDERGAST

Attendance at Security Council Meetings

1. Over the past months, we have spoken about frequent over-crowding in the Security Council consultation chamber. Contributions to this are both from Missions and the Secretariat.

2. We might consider a system of a restricted number of official passes to keep this in check. A limited number could be issued to EOSG, DPKO and DHA for use by their staff members when their presence is officially required, while DPA could hold an appropriate number for issue to other departments as required (to be returned to DPA after the meeting?)

3. It also should be feasible to request members of the Security Council to restrict their attendance to three or four in addition to the head of delegation. Here also, special passes could be considered (of course not required for Permanent Representatives).

Thank you.

S. Iqbal Riza 12 May 1998