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The Security Council,

<u>Recalling</u> its resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) of 19 March 1978, 501 (1982) of 25 February 1982, 508 (1982) of 5 June 1982, 509 (1982) of 6 June 1982 and 520 (1982) of 17 September 1982, as well as all its resolutions on the situation in Lebanon,

 $\underline{\text{Having studied}}$ the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon of 20 July 1996 (S/1996/575) and $\underline{\text{taking note}}$ of the observations expressed and the commitments mentioned therein,

 $\underline{\text{Taking note}}$ of the letter dated 18 July 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/1996/566),

Responding to the request of the Government of Lebanon,

- 1. <u>Decides</u> to extend the present mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for a further period of six months, that is until 31 January 1997;
- 2. <u>Reiterates</u> its strong support for the territorial integrity, sovereignty and political independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries;
- 3. <u>Re-emphasizes</u> the terms of reference and general guidelines of the Force as stated in the report of the Secretary-General of 19 March 1978 (S/12611), approved by resolution 426 (1978), and <u>calls upon</u> all parties concerned to cooperate fully with the Force for the full implementation of its mandate;
- 4. <u>Reiterates</u> that the Force should fully implement its mandate as defined in resolutions 425 (1978), 426 (1978) and all other relevant resolutions;
- 5. <u>Condemns</u> all acts of violence committed in particular against the Force, and <u>urges</u> the parties to put an end to them;
- 6. <u>Welcomes</u> the completion of the streamlining of the Force described in paragraph 33 of the report, and <u>encourages</u> further efficiency and savings provided they do not affect the operational capacity of the Force;
- 7. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General to continue consultations with the Government of Lebanon and other parties directly concerned with the implementation of the present resolution and to report to the Security Council thereon.
