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**Letter dated 23 September 2002 from the Permanent Representative of the  
Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed  
to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to request that Yahya Mahmassani, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States to the United Nations, be allowed to participate, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations and rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, in the discussion of the item presently on the Council's agenda.

(Signed ) Dr. Mikhail **Wehbe**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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