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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

With reference to the letter dated 30 October 1972 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General (S/10818), the representative of China has requested that the following statement be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Ambassador Chen Chu's statement made during
the consultations between the members of the
Security Council on 30 October 1972

Mr. President,

The Chinese Government and people firmly support the Arab peoples in their just struggle to resist aggression and safeguard their State sovereignty and territorial integrity and firmly support the Palestinian people in their just struggle to restore their national rights.

We have always held different views in principle on the question of sending United Nations observers. However, taking into consideration the request of the country concerned and the specific circumstances prevailing now, the Chinese delegation will not oppose the proposal for an increase in the number of observers.

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