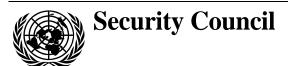
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In accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, the following communiqué was issued through the Secretary-General in place of a verbatim record:

"On 8 December 2006, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5582nd meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Major General Rafael José Barni, Force Commander of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus.

"Members of the Council, Major General Barni and representatives of participating troop-contributing countries had an exchange of views."

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