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LETTER DATED 16 FEBRUARY 1999 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1132 (1997) CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN SIERRA LEONE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1171 (1998) of 5 June 1998 concerning Sierra Leone. In paragraph 4 of the resolution, the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone is required to report to the Council on notifications received from States on the export of arms and related <u>matériel</u> to Sierra Leone, as well as on notifications of imports of arms and related <u>matériel</u> made by the Government of Sierra Leone.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that the Committee received a notification on 12 February 1999 from the Government of Sierra Leone of the decision to import two helicopter gunships and a stated quantity of arms and arms material, which will be used for peacekeeping purposes. The entry point of the aforementioned equipment will be Lungi International Airport.

(<u>Signed</u>) Fernando Enrique PETRELLA
Chairman
Security Council Committee established
pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997)
concerning Sierra Leone
