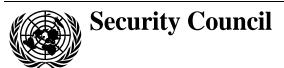
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Letter dated 11 May 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Mali to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to draw your attention to the following:

On 10 May 2000, at its plenary meeting on the situation in Sierra Leone, the Group of African States expressed the hope that the Security Council would hold a public briefing on the issue.

In that connection, I should like to ask you to call, as a matter of urgency, a public briefing during which representatives of the Group of African States could be authorized to intervene in the discussion.

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