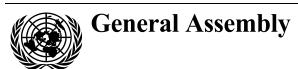
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Letter dated 17 May 2001 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

Further to my letters dated 24 January, 13, 21 and 26 February, 9 and 13 March and 11 and 23 April 2001 (A/55/745 and Add.1-7), I have the honour to inform you that the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Gambia have made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations.

(Signed) Kofi Annan Secretary-General

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