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LETTER DATED 17 JANUARY 2000 FROM THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF SIERRA LEONE ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I should like to inform you that the Government of Sierra Leone endorses the recommendations of the Secretary-General contained in his second report on the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL) dated 11 January 2000 ( $\rm S/2000/13$ ), in particular paragraph 29 on the expansion of UNAMSIL up to 11,100 military personnel.

The Government of Sierra Leone is grateful for current efforts by the Security Council to address the security concerns of the Government of Sierra Leone, taking into account the planned withdrawal of Economic Community of West African States (ECOMOG) troops from Sierra Leone.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) SAMA BANYA (Dr)
Minister of Foreign Affairs and
International Cooperation

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