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LETTER DATED 22 NOVEMBER 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CROATIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith the letter dated 22 November 1994 by the President of the Republic of Croatia, Dr. Franjo Tudjman, addressed to you.

I would kindly request your assistance in distributing this letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Mario NOBILO

Ambassador

Permanent Representative

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<u>Annex</u>

<u>Letter dated 22 November 1994 from the President of the Republic</u> of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council

May I express to you my satisfaction with the effective action of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) air force on 21 November 1994 in the occupied part of Croatia, which was undertaken upon request of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and Commander of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in accordance with Security Council resolution 958 (1994).

Taking into consideration the urgent need of protection of UNPROFOR troops and the necessity of the continuing pressure on part of the Serbian forces, who are unwilling to accept the peaceful solution, the Republic of Croatia has approved in principle the extension of NATO close air support under the condition that the operations are conducted in full respect of the sovereign rights of Croatia and in full coordination with Croatian authorities. I have informed the Secretary-General of NATO, Mr. Willy Claes, accordingly.

We consider that conditions for UNPROFOR control of the borders of the Republic of Croatia with the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which coincide with the United Nations Protected Areas (UNPAs), and the border with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) have now been met, and that UNPROFOR should at this time take over the control of these borders according to Security Council resolution 769 (1992).

The situation in the United Nations safe-area in Bihać and around it is further deteriorating, because the rebel Serb forces from UNPAs in Croatia are attacking these areas. Therefore the decisive air attacks by NATO and firm control of the borders are the only measures which will efficiently stop these aggressive acts. We consider that in this way clear expression of support for a political solution of the crisis will be given which could achieve a lasting peace in the region.

May I therefore ask you, as the President of the Security Council of the United Nations, to undertake resolute measures for enforcement of all relevant Security Council resolutions which could lead to the end of the war crisis and to the establishment of lasting peace in this part of the world.

(<u>Signed</u>) Franjo TUDJMAN
President of the
Republic of Croatia
