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Letter dated 18 September 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Mali to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to attach herewith the statement issued by the Government of the Republic of Mali on 13 September 2001, following the tragic attacks in the United States of America on 11 September 2001 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Moctar **Ouane**Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Statement issued by the Government of the Republic of Mali following the tragic attacks in the United States of America

The people of Mali, deeply attached to the ideal of peace, totally disapprove of the acts that have just been perpetrated against the people of the United States of America and that have taken the lives of so many victims. It strongly condemns violence in any form as a means of expression.

In this terrible ordeal, the people and Government of Mali share the sorrow of the American people and express to the American nation and to the Government of the United States of America their full and heartfelt solidarity.

Therefore, the Government of Mali has decided, on the day of mourning being observed in these sad circumstances by the American people on Friday, 14 September 2001, to fly the flags on all public buildings at half-mast and to suspend, for this day of mourning, the events organized for the National Arts and Culture Week.

The people and Government of Mali pay tribute to the memory of the victims and express their hope for a speedy recovery of the wounded.

Bamako, 13 September 2001