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Press Release for the Opening
of the twenty-sixth Session
of the Governing Council

The Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation
Commission Expected to Approve First Awards for Payment of
Large Individual and Government Claims

The Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation
Commission will hold its twenty-sixth session from 15 to 17
December 1997 under the Presidency of Ambassador Gonçalo de
Santa Clara Gomes of Portugal.

The Council will consider a number of important issues, in
particular the report and recommendations of the Panel of
Commissioners concerning part one of the first instalment of
individual claims for damages above US\$100,000 (category "D"
claims) as well as the report and recommendations of the Panel
of Commissioners concerning part one of the first instalment
of Government claims (category "F" claims).

The Committee on Administrative Matters (CAM) of the Governing
Council is also scheduled to meet on the afternoon of Monday
15 December 1997 in order to finalize its consideration of the
Commission's biennial budget proposal for 1998/1999.

CAM meets annually to consider the UNCC budget and other
related administrative and financial issues.
