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## **Security Council Adoption on Sanctions on Libya Resolution**

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Greece's EoV delivered

by HE Ambassador Evangelos Sekeris,

Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations, New York

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Thank you Mr. President,

Greece voted in favour and welcomes the adoption of the Resolution which strikes a balance between the sanctions, on the one hand, and issues which are raised by the Libyan authorities, on the other.

In this context, we welcome the addition to the designation criteria of individuals and entities determined by the Sanctions Committee to have provided support for armed groups and criminal networks through the above illicit exports.

At the same time, the Resolution addresses questions relating to the provision of support by Member States through technical assistance and training, in order to enhance security coordination in Libya. We express the hope that this provision will contribute to promoting the process of reunification of Libyan military and security institutions.

In addition, the Resolution introduces a new provision according to which the arms embargo is not to be applied to military aircraft or naval vessels, temporarily introduced into the territory of Libya solely to deliver items or facilitate activities otherwise exempted or not covered by the arms embargo, including humanitarian assistance, as well as arms and related materiel for defensive purposes under certain conditions.

It is essential that this provision is implemented in good faith in order to prevent any abuses which would negatively impact the peace process. Taking into account that it is a new provision, information on its implementation is also necessary.

Furthermore, the Resolution addresses concerns expressed by the Libyan Investment Authority, in relation to the assets freeze measures. The relevant provisions of the resolution enable the reinvestment of the Libyan Investment Authority's frozen assets, under certain conditions, while the assets remain frozen.

Taking into account the protective nature of the assets freeze measures, the approach followed in the Resolution aims at safeguarding the interests of the Libyan people and preserving the value of the frozen assets for the benefit of the Libyan people at a later stage.

Mr. President,

Greece, as a neighboring country, would like to once again echo the need to push forward the political process, aiming at a strong, stable and unified Libya, free from foreign interference.

I thank you.