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TO THE UNITED NATIONS**



**Adoption of the technical rollover Resolution
of Security Council Resolution 2733 (2024) on Operation IRINI
29 May 2025**

Greece's Explanation of Vote delivered
by H.E. Ambassador Evangelos Sekeris
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Colleagues,

As co-penholders of the resolution, we would like to thank the Council members for their support extending the authorization of UNSC Resolution 2733 by adopting today Resolution 2780. We believe that the six-month renewal will provide the opportunity to engage with Council members, as well as with all relevant parties and stakeholders, in particular the Libyan authorities.

We would like to stress the importance of the renewal of Resolution 2292, as amended by resolution 2733, which constitutes the legal framework providing the authorization for inspections of vessels carried out, under certain conditions, on the high seas by Member States, acting nationally or through regional organizations.

As stated in the Secretary General's Report, "it remains critical that the arms embargo combined with the authorizations set out in resolutions 2292 (2016) and 2733 (2024), be strictly implemented in a comprehensive manner to prevent illicit transfers by air, land and sea". The latest developments in Libya are a testament to the importance of maintaining this important legal framework.

We, therefore, support all actions which are conducive to strengthening the effectiveness of the UN arms embargo on Libya. Operation IRINI, as an impartial and unique instrument, provides a deterrence effect against arms smuggling and serves as an important tool which concretely and effectively contributes to the implementation of the UN arms embargo and to international efforts for peace and stability in Libya.

I thank you.