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Committee of the United Nations General Assembly

Proposal to Establish a "World Food Programme"

Mr. Chairman,

I should like to open my remarks with an expression of my delegation's sincere appreciation for the generosity of the committee in agreeing to proceed today with consideration of this urgent and important item.

I should like, secondly, to offer the congratulations of my delegation to the distinguished Secretary-General and to the distinguished Director-General of the FAO for the stimulating and challenging addresses with which they so fittingly introduced the discussion of the World Food Programme.

We are today embarking on the final stage of our journey, begun a year ago, to develop a new international and multilateral approach to the tragic problems of hunger and malnutrition in so many parts of the world. Let us rise to our responsibility and press on to achieve something truly effective and worthy of the United Nations.

Mr. Chairman, this is a particularly happy day for my Delegation, which is privileged to recall the proposal