## RELATING TO THE CRISIS IN THE PERSIAN GULF

On 28 November 1990, at its 2962nd meeting, the Security Council adopted resolution 677, relating, inter alia, to attempts by Iraq to alter the demographic composition of the population of Kuwait (see full text below). On 29 November 1990, at its 2963rd meeting, the Security Council adopted resolution 678, which, inter alia, authorized Member States "to use all necessary means to uphold and implement resolution 660 (1990) and all subsequent relevant resolutions and to restore international peace and security in the area" (see full text below). Thirteen of the fifteen members of the Council were represented at this meeting by their Foreign Ministers. Thirteen Foreign Ministers had also represented their countries at the 2943rd meeting on 25 September, when the Council adopted resolution 670.

Resolutions 677 and 678 were the latest in the series of twelve Security Council resolutions relating to the situation between Iraq and Kuwait.

## **RESOLUTION 677**

28 November 1990

Adopted by unanimous vote.

Sponsors: Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Finland, Kuwait, Romania, United Kingdom, Zaire.

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 660 (1990) of 2 August 1990, 662 (1990) of 9 August 1990 and 674 (1990) of 29 October 1990.

Reiterating its concern for the suffering caused to individuals in Kuwait as a result of the invasion and occupation of Kuwait by Iraq,

Gravely concerned at the ongoing attempt by Iraq to alter the demographic composition of the population of Kuwait and to destroy the civil records maintained by the legitimate Government of Kuwait.

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

- 1. Condemns the attempts by Iraq to alter the demographic composition of the population of Kuwait and to destroy the civil records maintained by the legitimate Government of Kuwait:
- 2. Mandates the Secretary-General to take custody of a copy of the population register of Kuwait, the authenticity of which has been certified by the legitimate Government of Kuwait and which covers the registration of the population up to 1 August 1990;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to establish, in co-operation with the legitimate Government of Kuwait, an Order of Rules and Regulations governing access to and use of the said copy of the population register.

## **RESOLUTION 678** 29 November 1990

Adopted by a vote of 12 in favour, 2 against (Cuba and Yemen) and 1 abstention (China).

Sponsors: Canada, France, Romania, Soviet Union, United Kingdom, United States.

