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The President of the Security Council presents his compliments to the members of the Council and has the honour to transmit herewith, for their attention, copies of a letter dated 24 July 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Serbia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council. This letter and its enclosure will be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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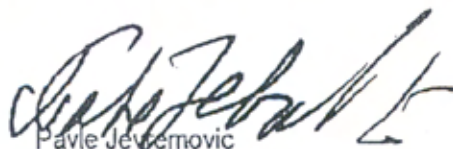
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Excellency,

I have the honour to forward, enclosed herewith, the letter of Mr. Rasim Ljajic, President of the National Council of the Republic of Serbia for Cooperation with the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, addressed to you.

I should be grateful if you would have the letter and its enclosure circulated to the members of the Security Council and published as an official document of the Security Council.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Pavle Jevremovic
Ambassador
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H.E. Mr. Le Luong Minh
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Belgrade, 23 July 2008

H.E. Mr. Le Luong Minh

The President of the Security Council

Excellency,

It is my privileged honor to address you once more in relation to the case of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) Trial Chamber's witness, Mr. Aleksandar Dimitrijevic, and the letter the President of the ICTY sent to the Security Council on 17 June 2008, claiming the Republic of Serbia's lack of cooperation with that Tribunal in the case of *Prosecutor v. Milan Milutinovic and others*.

I am pleased to inform you that the issue of Mr. Dimitrijevic's testimony before the ICTY has been successfully brought to an end.

Following the Trial Chamber's Order of 25 June 2008 to the Government of the Republic of Serbia to serve the new Summons on Mr. Aleksandar Dimitrijevic in order to ensure the appearance of the witness before the Trial Chamber on 8 and 9 July 2008, the Republic of Serbia did confirm its willingness to cooperate with the ICTY, as stated in my letter to you of 26 June 2008. The Republic of Serbia acted upon the new Summons for Mr. Dimitrijevic and the Summons was served on 30 June 2008.

In addition, and following the Trial Chamber's Order on Testimony via Video-Conference Link of 1 July 2008, Mr. Dimitrijevic gave his testimony via video-conference on 8 and 9 July 2008, from the Tribunal's Field Office in Belgrade.

Taking into consideration that the new Summons was issued by the Trial Chamber (in spite of Tribunal's contention that no new Summons would and should be issued subsequent to the Summons of 15 May 2008), that the Republic of Serbia acted within the time frame requested by the Tribunal, as well as that the witness appeared and testified before the Trial Chamber on the days he was requested to do so, the Republic of Serbia considers this matter to be completed.

At the end, Excellency, I would like to use this opportunity to express once more the assurances of my highest consideration.



Rasim Ljajic

President of the National Council
for Cooperation with the ICTY

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