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Letter dated 24 March 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I refer here to Security Council resolution 1973 (2011), dated 17 March 2011, concerning the situation in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

In this regard, I wish to notify Your Excellency, that while the State of Kuwait has welcomed the adoption of the above-mentioned resolution, it will do all it can to take all necessary measures, in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 8 of the resolution, to support the efforts of the international community to protect civilians and populated areas under threat of attack in the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The State of Kuwait continues to provide humanitarian and relief assistance to the Libyan people affected by the ongoing events in Libya. The humanitarian assistance provided until now is as follows:

- Through the Kuwaiti Red Crescent Society, the State of Kuwait has prepared plane loads carrying 14 tons of medical and food materials. These were divided into two batches, the first batch containing medical assistance and medications headed towards the Tunisian-Libyan border area of Ras Jadi. Contents included medications and antibiotics, anaesthesia and sutures, in addition to other medical equipment and portable operation rooms.
- The second batch was transported through an air bridge to the airport of Marsa Matrouh, and in coordination with the Libyan Red Crescent this assistance was delivered to the Libyan refugees at the Egyptian-Libyan borders.
- The State of Kuwait also announced the donation of one million dollars to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, responding to the appeals launched by the United Nations and its specialized agencies to alleviate the suffering of the refugees who were forced to flee from Libya due to the deteriorating security situation.

Furthermore, the State of Kuwait hopes to participate in the international efforts exerted in compliance with Security Council resolution 1973 (2011) to stop the bloodshed of our brothers in Libya as well as put an end to the currently prevailing tragic situation there.

I shall be grateful if Your Excellency will circulate this letter as an official document of the Security Council

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