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**Letter dated 25 March 2011 from the Permanent Representative  
of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed  
to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1973 (2011), adopted on 17 March 2011. In accordance with paragraph 8 of that resolution, I hereby notify you of the decision of the Government of the Netherlands to take part in NATO operations authorized by paragraphs 6 to 17 of that same resolution in order to enforce compliance with the ban on flights and enforce the arms embargo. Its participation in operations to enforce compliance with the ban on flights is still subject to parliamentary debate.

NATO will inform you of all measures taken under the authorization of resolution 1973 (2011).

The Secretary-General of the League of Arab States is being notified of the decision of the Netherlands to take measures pursuant to paragraph 8 of the resolution by participating in the above-mentioned NATO operations.

I would be grateful if you would transmit the present letter to the President of the Security Council for circulation as a document of the Council.

*(Signed)* Herman Schaper

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