The Secretary-General stated that these agreements had been signed on 16 January 1992 and, having completed the necessary consultations, he proposed that the military division of the Mission be composed of military personnel contributed by Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, India, Ireland, Norway, Spain, Sweden and Venezuela.

In a letter dated 5 February 1992, 12 the President of the Security Council informed the Secretary-General as follows:

"I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 3 February 1992 concerning the composition of the military division of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador¹¹ has been brought to the attention of the members of the Council. They agree with the proposal contained in your letter."

In a letter dated 15 May 1992, 13 addressed to the President of the Security Council for the attention of the members of the Council, the Secretary-General reported that he had been informed by the Chief of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador that, based on recent experience in verifying the relevant provisions of the Peace Agreement and in the expectation that the Military Division of the Mission would be required to monitor additional activities foreseen under the Agreement, the Chief Military Observer of the Mission had come to the conclusion that, for these tasks to be completed, it would be necessary to maintain temporarily the strength of the Military Division, which currently stood at 290 military observers. Under the original plan, the strength of the Division would have been reduced after 1 June 1992. For those reasons, the Secretary-General endorsed the recommendation of the Chief Military Observer, which had been conveyed to him by the Chief of Mission, to extend for a three-month period, i.e. until 1 September 1992, the services of 39 military observers who were due to leave the Mission on 1 June 1992. He also stated that every attempt would be made to absorb the additional resources required for these extra personnel within the appropriation made available by the General Assembly for the Mission, and should that not be possible the additional requirements would be reported to the General Assembly.

In a letter dated 20 May 1992¹⁴ the President of the Security Council informed the Secretary-General as follows:

"I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 15 May 1992 concerning the extension of the services of 39 military observers in the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador¹³ has been brought to the attention of the members of the Council. They agree with the recommendation of your letter."

On 3 June 1992, following consultations with the members of the Council, the President made the following statement on behalf of the Council:¹⁵

"The members of the Security Council have taken note of the report of the Secretary-General of 26 May 1992 and 19 June 1992 on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador.¹⁶

"The members of the Council are pleased that the cease-fire is holding and there has not been a single violation since it came into force on 1 February 1992.

"However, the members of the Council are deeply concerned about the many delays by both parties in implementing agreements concluded between the Government of El Salvador and the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional and the climate of mutual suspicion that still remains. If that situation were to continue, it would jeopardize the very foundation of the agreements.

"The members of the Council urge both parties to demonstrate good faith in implementing the agreements fully, to abide by the agreed time-limits, to exert every effort to bring about national reconciliation in El Salvador and to implement the process of demobilization and reform.

"The members of the Council reaffirm their full support for the efforts made by the Secretary-General and his Special Representative for El Salvador, with the assistance of the Governments of the Group of Friends of the Secretary-General and other Governments concerned. They commend the staff of the Mission, who are working under very difficult conditions, and express their concern about the threats to their safety. They remind the parties of their obligation to take all necessary measures to guarantee the safety of the Mission and its members.

"The members of the Council will continue to monitor closely developments in the implementation of the peace agreements in El Salvador."

At its 3129th meeting, on 30 October 1992, the Council decided to discuss the item entitled "Central America: efforts towards peace - letter dated 28 October 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/24731)".¹⁷

Resolution 784 (1992) of 30 October 1992

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 637 (1989) of 27 July 1989,

Recalling also its resolutions 693 (1991) of 20 May 1991, 714 (1991) of 30 September 1991 and 729 (1992) of 14 January 1992,

Taking note of the letter from the Secretary-General of 19 October 1992 addressed to the President of the Security Council, ¹⁸ in which he announced a delay in the schedule laid down in resolution 729 (1992),

Taking note also of the letter from the Secretary-General of 28 October 1992 addressed to the President of the Security Council.¹⁹ in which he proposed an interim extension of the

current mandate of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador.

- 1. Approves the proposal of the Secretary-General to extend the current mandate of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador for a period ending on 30 November 1992;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Security Council, between now and that date, recommendations on the period of extension of the mandate, on the mandate itself and on the strength that the Mission will need, taking into account progress already made, in order to verify the implementation of the final phases of the peace process in El Salvador, together with their financial implications;
- 3. Urges both parties to respect scrupulously and to implement in good faith the commitments assumed by them under the agreements signed on 16 January 1992 at Mexico City⁹ and to respond positively to the Secretary-General's latest proposals to them aimed at overcoming the current difficulties;
 - 4. Decides to remain seized of the matter.

Adopted unanimously at the 3129th meeting.

Decision

At its 3142nd meeting, on 30 November 1992, the Council decided to discuss the item entitled "Central America: efforts towards peace - report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (S/24833 and Add.1)".17

Resolution 791 (1992) of 30 November 1992

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 637 (1989) of 27 July 1989,

Recalling also its resolutions 693 (1991) of 20 May 1991, 714 (1991) of 30 September 1991, 729 (1992) of 14 January 1992 and 784 (1992) of 30 October 1992,

Having studied the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador of 23 and 30 November 1992, 20

Noting with appreciation the continuing efforts of the Secretary-General to support implementation of the several agreements signed between 4 April 1990 and 16 January 1992

by the Government of El Salvador and the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional to re-establish peace and promote reconciliation in El Salvador,

Noting the intention of the Secretary-General to continue, in this as in other peace-keeping operations, to monitor expenditures carefully during this period of increasing demands on peace-keeping resources,

- 1. Approves the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador of 23 and 30 November 1992;²⁰
- 2. Decides to extend the mandate of the Mission as defined in resolutions 693 (1991) and 729 (1992), for a further period of six months ending on 31 May 1993;
- 3. Welcomes the intention of the Secretary-General to adapt the future activities and strength of the Mission, taking into account progress made in implementing the peace process;
- 4. Urges both parties to respect scrupulously and to implement in good faith the solemn commitments they have assumed under the agreements signed on 16 January 1992 at Mexico City⁹ and to exercise the utmost moderation and restraint, both at present and following the conclusion of the cease-fire phase, in order to respect the new deadlines agreed upon by them for the successful completion of the peace process and for the restoration of normal conditions, especially in the zones of former conflict;
- 5. Shares, in this context, the preoccupations expressed by the Secretary-General in paragraph 84 of his report;
- 6. Reaffirms its support for the Secretary-General's use of his good offices in the El Salvador peace process and calls upon both parties to cooperate fully with the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for El Salvador and the Mission in their tasks of assisting and verifying the parties' implementation of their commitments;
- 7. Requests all States, as well as the international institutions in the fields of development and finance, to continue to support the peace process, in particular through voluntary contributions;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council fully informed of further developments in the El Salvador peace process and to report, as necessary, on all aspects of the operations of the Mission, at the latest before the expiry of the new mandate period;
 - 9. Decides to remain seized of the matter.

 Adopted unanimously at the 3142nd meeting.