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Letter dated 30 March 1994 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On 22 and 23 March 1994, the Netherlands hosted the International Ministerial Conference on Drinking Water and Environmental Sanitation.

I have the honour to transmit to you the Political Statement and the Action Programme adopted by the Ministers (see annex). The Conference was an intersessional meeting to prepare for the second session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (16-27 May 1994) which will discuss freshwater resources as one of its sectoral themes. The Ministers decided to recommend that the Action Programme be considered for adoption by the Commission on Sustainable Development at its second session in May 1994 (para. 4.6 of the Political Statement).

The outcome of the Conference is also relevant to the United Nations Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (24 April-6 May 1994). In view of the special problems of small island States, the Ministers decided to transmit the Political Statement and the Action Programme for consideration at this Conference (para. 4.3 of the Political Statement).

I should highly appreciate if you would arrange for the Political Statement and the Action Programme to be circulated as an official document of the

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Commission on Sustainable Development, under its agenda item 6 (a), and for it to be made available to the Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States.

(<u>Signed</u>) Count Jan d'ANSEMBOURG Chargé d'affaires a.i.