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### **Letter dated 29 September 1998 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Ministerial Declaration of the Group of 77 and China adopted on the occasion of the 22nd annual meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77, held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 25 September 1998 (see annex).

On behalf of the Group of 77 and China, I would highly appreciate it if you could arrange for the present letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda items 12, 20 (a) and (b), 24, 30, 37, 39, 40, 51, 56, 58, 61, 91 (a), (b), (c) and (d), 92 (b), 93 (a), (c), (d), (e) and (f), 94 (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e), 95, 98, 99, 100, 104, 112, 113, 114 and 115.

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