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LETTER DATED 29 AUGUST 1980 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOLIVIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to convey to you the text of an official communiqué issued
by the Government of Bolivia:

"Communiqué from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bolivia

"Bolivia has supported since 1948 the existence of the State of Israel,
with which it maintains extremely cordial relations of friendship and
co-operation.

"The Government of National Reconstruction has been informed that the
Government of Israel has declared Jerusalem the capital of Israel. Since
Jerusalem is the site of places holy to three religions - Christianity, Islam
and Judaism - Bolivia considers that the city should be the subject of an
agreement under which such places are safeguarded and access to them is
guaranteed for all who wish to worship according to their own faith. An
acceptable agreement would be a positive contribution to the efforts being
made towards a just and durable peace in the Middle East.

"In view of the above considerations, the Government of Bolivia has
decided to transfer its Embassy accredited to the Government of Israel from
its present location in the city of Jerusalem to the city of Tel Aviv."

I request you to arrange for this note to be circulated as a document of the
Security Council.

(Signed) Fernando ORTIZ SANZ
Ambassador