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<u>President:</u>	Mr. HOHENFELLNER	(Austria)
<u>Members:</u>	Belgium	Mr. VAN DAELE
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	China	Mr. JIN Yongjian
	Ecuador	Mr. POSSO SERRANO
	France	Mr. MERIMEE
	Hungary	Mr. ERDOS
	India	Mr. GHAREKHAN
	Japan	Mr. HATANO
	Morocco	Mr. SNOUSSI
	Russian Federation	Mr. LOZINSKY
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. RICHARDSON
	United States	Mr. WATSON
	Venezuela	Mr. BIVERO
	Zimbabwe	Mr. SENGWE

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The meeting was called to order at 11.00 a.m.

#### EXPRESSION OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT: As this is the first meeting of the Security Council for the month of May, I should like to take this opportunity to pay tribute, on behalf of the Council, to His Excellency Mr. Simbarashe Simbanenduku Mumbengegwi, Permanent Representative of Zimbabwe to the United Nations, and to His Excellency Mr. Chigwedere, for their service as President of the Security Council for the month of April 1992. I am sure I speak for all members of the Security Council in expressing deep appreciation to Ambassador Mumbengegwi and Ambassador Chigwedere for the great diplomatic skill and unfailing courtesy with which they conducted the Council's business last month. Members of the Council were especially grateful to Ambassador Chigwedere for the able manner in which he discharged the responsibilities of the presidency when Ambassador Mumbengegwi had to travel to Zimbabwe on the occasion of his father's passing. I should like, once again, on behalf of the Council, to express deep condolences to Ambassador Mumbengegwi for the very great loss he has suffered.

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

#### THE SITUATION IN LIBERIA

The PRESIDENT: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/23863, which contains the text of a letter dated 30 April 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General.

(The President)

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The members of the Security Council recalled the statement made by the President of the Council on behalf of the Council on 22 January 1991 concerning the situation in Liberia (S/22133).

"The members of the Security Council noted with appreciation the final communiqué of the Informal Consultative Group Meeting of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Committee of Five on Liberia issued at Geneva on 7 April 1992 (S/23863). The members of the Security Council commend ECOWAS and its various organs, in particular the Committee of Five, for their untiring efforts to bring the Liberian conflict to a speedy conclusion.

"In this connection the members of the Security Council believe that the Yamoussoukro Accord of 30 October 1991 offers the best possible framework for a peaceful resolution of the Liberian conflict by creating the necessary conditions for free and fair elections in Liberia. The members of the Security Council renew their call to all parties to the conflict in Liberia to respect and implement the various accords of the peace process in the framework of the ECOWAS Committee of Five, including refraining from actions which endanger the security of neighbouring States. The members of the Security Council commend the efforts of the Member States, the Secretary-General and humanitarian organizations in providing humanitarian assistance to the victims of the civil war in Liberia and in this regard reaffirm their support for increased assistance."

(The President)

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The meeting rose at 11.05 a.m.