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Letter dated 16 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose the press communiqué issued by the "troika" of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Rio Group, composed of the Ministers of Chile, Colombia and Costa Rica, with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, at their meeting held on 13 November 2001 during the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could arrange for the present letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly, under agenda items 97 (c), 105 and 166 and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 16 November 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Chile to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

[Original: Spanish]

Press communiqué on the meeting between the "troika" of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Rio Group and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

A meeting was held today between the "troika" of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Rio Group — composed of Ms. María Soledad Alvear Valenzuela, Secretary pro tempore and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chile, Mr. Guillermo Fernández de Soto, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Colombia, and Mr. Roberto Rojaz López, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica — and Mr. Anatoly Zlenko, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

This meeting took place during the fifty-sixth session of the United Nations General Assembly.

During the meeting, the following agenda was considered:

– Information on the Rio Group and the recent Fifteenth Summit of Heads of State and Government

– Information on points of interest to Ukraine

– Exchange of views on possible joint action within the framework of the United Nations

– The international situation and terrorism.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Rio Group and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine strongly condemned the acts of terrorism perpetrated recently in the United States and declared their readiness to support the efforts of the international community to combat terrorism. They also emphasized the need for all countries to implement Security Council resolutions 1368 (2001) of 12 September 2001, 1373 (2001) of 28 September 2001 and 1377 (2001) of 12 November 2001.

The Ministers greatly appreciated this first meeting between the Rio Group and Ukraine and agreed to continue to hold meetings of this kind in the future.

New York, 13 November 2001.