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[Signed by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, and the President and the Vice-President of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina]

12 July 1994

The Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the signatories of the Geneva Agreement of 8 June 1994 have confirmed its extension for a further period of one month beyond 10 July 1994. The United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) reiterates its commitment and its best endeavors to achieve the aims stipulated in the above Agreement.

UNPROFOR reaffirms that within its mandates and resources, it will attempt to eradicate ethnic cleansing and other violations of human rights, in cooperation with other United Nations and relevant international organizations, and will continue to inform the international community of the situation. To attain this purpose the Special Representative of the Secretary-General will continue to press for an UNPROFOR presence in the Banja Luka area, as well as for his personal visit.

Taking note of the contributions made by the International Committee of the Red Cross on some aspects of the 8 June Agreement, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General welcomes the assurances given to him to continue to work towards early positive results in the implementation of paragraph 2 of that Agreement, with an attitude of greater flexibility.

In addition to its commitment to monitor and report all military activities as stipulated under the 8 June 1994 Agreement, UNPROFOR will endeavor to enhance its ability to monitor relevant military movements throughout the territory of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina from the air and on the ground.

UNPROFOR strongly reaffirms its right to complete and unhindered freedom of movement, as well as that of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and its implementing partners. The Special Representative of the Secretary-General is committed to exercising this right with all vigour. In this connection, he is determined soon to resume UNPROFOR flights to Tuzla and to arrive at acceptable modalities for humanitarian flights. The Special Representative of the Secretary-General also expects the parties to guarantee the safety and security of UNPROFOR and other United Nations personnel in all circumstances.

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