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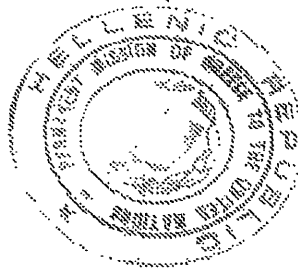
VERBAL NOTE

The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations and further to the Secretary-General Verbal Note LA/COD/4 dated 14 June 2012, concerning the report of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations submitted to him pursuant to paragraph 10 of General Assembly resolution 65/30 entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives", has the honor to inform on the incident contained in the aforementioned report.

On 4 February 2012 afternoon, approximately seventy persons gathered in front of the Embassy of the Syrian Arab Republic in Athens and half of them stormed the Embassy building and lowered the Syrian flag. Greek police intervened immediately and arrested twelve individuals against whom legal proceedings were initiated. Further, increased security measures were taken to guard the Embassy building. Police authorities have responded to subsequent requests of the Embassy for additional security measures.

The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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