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ment de réclamations présentées contre l'Organisation
des Nations Unies au Congo par des ressortissants grecs.
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Sir,

A number of Greek nationals have lodged with the United Nations claims for damage to persons and property arising from the operations of the United Nations Force in the Congo, particularly those which took place in Katanga. The claims in question have been examined by United Nations officials assigned to assemble all the information necessary for establishing the relevant facts submitted by the claimants or their beneficiaries and any other available information.

The United Nations has agreed that the claims of Greek nationals who may have suffered damage as a result of harmful acts committed by ONUC personnel, and not arising from military necessity, should be dealt with in an equitable manner.

It has stated that it would not evade responsibility where it was established that United Nations agents had in fact caused unjustifiable damage to innocent parties.

It is pointed out that, under these principles, the United Nations does not assume liability for damage to persons or property which resulted solely from military operations or which, although caused by third parties, has given rise to claims against the United Nations; such cases are therefore excluded from the proposed compensation.

Consultations have taken place with the Greek Government. The examination of the claims having now been completed, the United Nations shall, without prejudice

¹ Came into force on 20 June 1966 by the exchange of the said letters.