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Dear Mr. Marchesich,

I have been directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20 April 1983, which you addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Free Territory of Trieste.

I should like to confirm that consideration of the issue to which you refer took place in the Security Council in 1947 and 1948. However, following the signature of the bilateral treaty between Italy and Yugoslavia, and requests from the Permanent Representatives of Italy and Yugoslavia to the United Nations, the Security Council agreed in June 1977 to delete the items entitled "Appointment of a Governor of the Free Territory of Trieste" and "The question of the Free Territory of Trieste" from the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized. Consequently, any resumption of consideration of the issue mentioned in your letter would require an initiative on the part of a Member State of the United Nations.

Yours sincerely,

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