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■ **UK Calls for Expansion of UNSC'S Permanent Seats**

The UK, which holds the UNSC Presidency for the month of July this year, has called for the expansion of the UNSC's permanent seats to include India, Brazil, Germany and Japan as well as African representation. UK's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Ms. Barbara Woodward said the UK's presidency of the Security Council marks the first step in that process. She was briefing UN correspondents on the programme of work of the Security Council for the month.