



operations for reopening the Suez Canal. He was on 8 December with a team of salvage surveyors, drawn exploring the possibility of having this work carried out from the private salvage firms approached and from the under United Nations auspices by agents from countries Ralph M. Parsons Engineering Company, Los Angeles, California, United States of America, and from the private salvage firms involved in the present economic situation.

4. On 8 November the Secretary-General made and his staff immediately started a survey of obstructions in the Canal, below El Qalyub, in co-operation with the Netherlands and Danish salvage firms.

A survey of workshop installations was conducted by the Secretary-General. These firms, Swiss and General Wheeler's group in Port Said, indicated their agreement to assist as required in the clearing operation.

5. The Secretary-General visited Cairo, 15-17 November. 10. The report on the United Nations clearing operation, prepared by the Secretary-General, was approved by the General Assembly.



