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Letter dated 30 July 1984 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to
the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter addressed to you by
Dr. Ali A. Treiki, Secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for
Foreign Liaison, concerning hostile American practices directed against the
Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

I should be grateful if you would have the letter circulated as an official
document of the General Assembly, under item 67 of the provisional agenda, and of
the Security Council.

(Signed) Rajab A. AZZAROUK
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Letter dated 30 July 1984 from the Secretary of the People's Committee of
the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
addressed to the Secretary-General

I wish to refer to the series of repeated hostile terrorist practices directed by the United States of America against the Libyan Arab people and against the security, sovereignty, integrity and independence of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, violating its territorial and internal waters and its airspace.

The Jamahiriya has informed you previously, case by case, of the details and the dangerousness of these provocations, which are referred to in the following documents of the Security Council:

- S/10939, dated 30 May 1973, and S/14094, dated 6 August 1980;
- S/14636, dated 20 August 1981, and S/14860, dated 5 February 1982;
- S/15755, dated 10 May 1983, and S/15872, dated 18 July 1983;
- S/15910, dated 5 August 1983, and S/15912, dated 6 August 1983;
- S/15914, dated 9 August 1983, and S/16425, dated 27 March 1984;
- S/16431, dated 23 March 1984, and S/16526, dated 2 May 1984.

The Jamahiriya wishes today to draw attention to the grave situation resulting from the violation of Libyan airspace by United States military aircraft belonging to the United States Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean and the violation also of the territorial and internal waters of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. This occurred at precisely 2.55 a.m. on Thursday, 26 July 1984, inasmuch as these aircraft carried out provocative military activities off the Libyan Arab coast, lasting until 3.34 p.m. on the same day. The number of the aircraft participating in these provocative acts was 164. The area of their provocative activity centred on the region extending from north of the town of Al-Bayda in the East to north of the town of Surt in the West. The provocative acts and the violations were concentrated in three zones: the first to the north of the town of Al-Bayda, the second to the north of the town of Benghazi and the third to the north of the town of Surt, inasmuch as, at 8 a.m. on 26 July 1984, some of the United States aircraft crossed the parallel of latitude 32°30'N, flying in a southerly direction for a distance of between 10 and 15 kilometres and for a period of 5 minutes. They were promptly intercepted and were ejected at precisely 8.05 a.m. on the same day.

In notifying you of these United States military provocations and violations of its airspace and its territorial and internal waters and of the threat and danger which such violations present to civil aviation and maritime navigation and to peace and security in the region, the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, reserves its right, at the same time, to take any preventive steps and measures to preserve its security and the integrity of its airspace and its territorial and internal waters.

(Signed) Dr. Ali A. TREIKI
Secretary of the People's Committee
of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison
