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Letter dated 26 August 2020 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am writing to respond to the contemptible letter dated 17 August 2020 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council ([S/2020/807](#)).

That letter from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey and the previous letter from the Permanent Representative of Turkey ([S/2020/637](#)) should be seen for what they truly are: malicious, blatant attempts by Turkey to deflect from its own serious and ongoing dangerous actions in the region by broadcasting falsehoods about those States that oppose its wrongdoings.

The United Arab Emirates reiterates its unequivocal rejection of the baseless accusations and misrepresentations by Turkey. The United Arab Emirates' efforts to promote peace and security and its unwavering commitment to international law, the Charter of the United Nations and Security Council resolutions are indisputable. Further, the United Arab Emirates repudiates Turkey's libellous claims against the leadership of the country, who have time and time again – in both their official and personal capacities – demonstrated their dedication to peace, tolerance and inclusion and respect for human rights.

In stark contrast to the efforts by the United Arab Emirates and its leadership to promote peace and tolerance, the Turkish regime seeks only to sow division and disorder, particularly in the Arab world. Turkey pursues an aggressive, imperialist foreign policy, using a perverted and extremist interpretation of Islam as its rationale. It disregards multilateralism and openly violates Security Council resolutions. Turkey's military offensive in Syria is in clear violation of international law and the sovereignty of an Arab State. Recent reports by the Secretary-General ([S/2020/774](#)) and the Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team pursuant to resolutions [1526 \(2004\)](#) and [2253 \(2015\)](#) ([S/2020/717](#)) have identified Turkey as a destination point and transit hub for fighters seeking to join armed groups affiliated with Da'esh in Afghanistan and Central Asia. Turkey has also deployed the reprehensible threat of uncontrolled migrant flows to foster its megalomaniacal policy objectives, thereby exacerbating humanitarian crises and the plight of refugees in the region.

By this consistent pattern of behaviour, Turkey stands in opposition to peace, stability and tolerance in the region and instead positions itself as an ally and facilitator of terrorist and extremist groups. Accordingly, rather than seeking to disparage other States through false accusations and misrepresentations, Turkey



should focus on correcting its own unlawful and destabilizing actions in the region and should commit to peace, multilateralism and tolerance.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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