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LETTER DATED 16 MAY 1985 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the letter addressed to you by Dr. Ali Abdussalam Al-Treiki, Secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Affairs, concerning the nuclear missiles which the Zionist entity has deployed on the eastern border of the Arab fatherland.

(Signed) Rajab AZZAROUK
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Annex

Letter dated 15 May 1985 from the Secretary of the People's
Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Affairs of
the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya addressed to the President
of the Security Council

I should like to refer to the activities undertaken by the Zionist entity as part of its policy of aggression against the Arab nation, which include the deployment of ARIJA-type missiles equipped with nuclear warheads in the Syrian Golan and in the area of the Negev Desert. This represents a serious threat to peace and security in the region and in the entire world and leads to an intensification of the nuclear arms race in the Arab region and the Mediterranean basin.

The deployment of nuclear missiles by the Zionist entity signals an escalation in aggression against the Arab nation, lays the groundwork for occupation operations and poses the threat of attack against cities and vital installations in the Arab fatherland. This development has made it clear that the aim of the attack carried out by the Zionist enemy on the Iraqi nuclear reactor built for peaceful purposes was to threaten and undermine the programmes of any Arab State seeking to make progress in the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes. The deployment of nuclear missiles by the Zionist entity in the heart of the Arab nation implies a challenge to and contempt for world public opinion at a time when the international community is endeavouring to halt the arms race and eliminate nuclear weapons, which threaten mankind with total destruction.

This act by the Zionist entity is a flagrant violation of international treaties and Security Council and General Assembly resolutions, in particular Security Council resolution 487 (1981) of 19 June 1981, by which the Council called upon the Zionist entity to place its nuclear facilities under the safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency. In addition, it constitutes a violation of General Assembly resolution 39/54 of 12 December 1984 concerning the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East, resolution 39/61 of 12 December 1984 on the denuclearization of Africa, resolution 39/153 of 17 December 1984 concerning the strengthening of security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region, and resolution 39/147 of 17 December 1984 concerning the Zionist entity's nuclear armament.

Moreover, the deployment of these nuclear missiles constitutes scornful disregard for the objectives and efforts of the International Atomic Energy Agency to promote the use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes and flouts the repeated appeals of the international community for States to accede to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons under safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

The Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya wishes to draw the attention of the Security Council and of world public opinion to the seriousness of this act, which heightens tension in the region and threatens the peace and well-being of its

peoples, since it places the Arab nation in a position which obliges it to exercise its right of self-defence under the Charter of the United Nations, as long as the Security Council does not take immediate steps to remove the threat of the nuclear missiles.

The Zionist entity would not have deployed the nuclear missiles without the total support of one member of the Security Council, the United States of America, which affords the Zionist entity unlimited support in all spheres, particularly the economic, political and military spheres, and has signed various agreements with the Zionist entity, among which we would mention, in particular, the strategic agreement signed on 30 November 1981.

In drawing to the attention of the Security Council and the international community the serious implications of the deployment of these nuclear missiles for the security and well-being of the peoples of the region, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, together with the other States and peoples of the region threatened by the missiles, reserves the right to request the convening of the Security Council at any time so that the Council may discharge the duties and responsibilities entrusted to it with respect to international peace and security.

I ask you to arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ali Abdussalam AL-TREIKI
Secretary of the People's Committee of
the People's Bureau for Foreign Affairs
