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Letter dated 19 October 1970 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On 14 October 1970, there was circulated as document A/8122 the text of a letter, dated 12 October 1970 to you from the representatives of Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Southern Yemen, the Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Republic and Yemen.

The letter in question referred to certain recent incidents affecting permanent missions of Arab States to the United Nations and a member of one of those missions. It stated that these incidents had been brought to the attention of the Permanent Mission of the United States and charged that no measures of adequate and sustained protection had been taken. It further asserted that the authorities of the host country had exhibited a lack of concern in the face of mounting threats to the security of the missions of Arab States.

As you are aware, the United States Government is vitally concerned about the security of all diplomats. It fully recognizes its responsibilities as the host country of the United Nations, and has the full co-operation of the authorities of the City of New York in carrying out these responsibilities. All essential security has been provided to missions to the United Nations, and all incidents involving missions or personnel attached to them have been and are still being fully investigated by the police.