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TELEGRAM DATED 13 FEBRUARY 1978 FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE ADDRESSED TO
THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to inform you that for some time now unidentified boats and reconnaissance aircraft have been systematically violating our territorial waters and our air space. Recently, the boats increased their movements, sweeping our coastline with their powerful projectors, and their activities coincide with our own information that mercenary forces in foreign pay are preparing to invade our country. We are anxious to alert you, as President of the Security Council, to the gravity of this situation which threatens the sovereignty of our State and the survival of our people and we appeal to you to inform the Member States.

(Signed) Manuel Pinto DA COSTA
President of the Democratic Republic
of Sao Tome and Principe

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