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Letter dated 2 May 1984 from the Chargé 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

On instructions from the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison, I have the honour to inform you as follows:

On 29 April 1984, Alan Romberg, deputy spokesman for the United States State Department, stated that the United States Administration planned to consult with allied Governments on ways and means of deterring the Libyan leader Muammar el-Qaddafi. He added that the United States had called upon friendly nations to show significant resistance to Libya. The New York Times clarified the meaning of this statement in an article published on 30 April 1984, entitled "U.S. plans to seek actions by allies to deter Qaddafi". The article said that "The public outrage in Britain over Libya has led some officials in Washington to say they hope the United States will be more successful this time in fashioning a co-ordinated programme of trade, economic and political sanctions at the minimum, and support for covert action against Colonel Qaddafi at the maximum."

This statement shows clearly that the United States is seeking to incite and pressure other nations to undertake serious aggressive actions against the Libyan people.

Alan Romberg's statement is a prelude to aggression against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the Government of the United States of America, which continues its acts of provocation, military threats, economic pressure and propaganda against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. We have already drawn the attention of the Security Council to those acts in various communications, as well as in the statements made before the Security Council at its meetings on 22 February 1983 (S/PV.2415), 11 August 1983 (S/PV.2464) and 28 March 1984 (S/PV.2522).

The Libyan Arab Jamahiriya draws your attention to this new development, which contravenes the Charter of the United Nations, and wishes to emphasize the full responsibility of the United States Administration for any acts of aggression against the Libyan people, which would endanger international security and peace in the Arab region.

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The Libyan Arab Jamahiriya reserves the right to take the measures it deems fit to defend its interests and sovereignty against any action aimed at endangering them.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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