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## THE QUESTION OF ALGERIA

Letter dated 14 September 1960 from the Permanent Representative of Afghanistan addressed to the Secretary-General.

New York, 14 September 1960

I have the honour to submit to you a letter signed on 13 September 1960 by representatives of States Members of the United Nations in the Asian-African Group.

The contents of this letter should be considered an addendum to the explanatory memorandum on the question of Algeria submitted to you by a letter of 20 July 1960 signed by a number of representatives of States Members of the United Nations in the Asian-African Group.

(Signed) R. PAZHWAQ  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative  
of  
Afghanistan  
to the United Nations

Letter dated 13 September 1960 from the representatives of Afghanistan, Burma, Ceylon, Ethiopia, Federation of Malaya, Ghana, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Laos, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Republic and Yemen, addressed to the Secretary-General.

On 20 July, upon instructions from our respective Governments, we had the honour to request that the item "The Question of Algeria" be included in the agenda of the fifteenth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

In the explanatory memorandum attached to this request, we took note that some prospect of pourparlers between the two parties concerned had then appeared. However, in view of the situation obtaining in July 1960, we further stressed: "While it is hoped that all impediments in the way of such pourparlers will disappear and that negotiations will, on the basis of the right of the Algerian people to self-determination, take place at an early date, the situation in Algeria is such that it must continue to engage the attention of the United Nations so long as a peaceful solution in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations is not reached."

The "impediments in the way of such pourparlers" referred to in the memorandum of 20 July have unfortunately not disappeared. We must, in fact, regretfully note that recent events have now dispelled the prospect of pourparlers between the two parties concerned.

In view of this, and in view of the danger to international peace and security created by the situation in Algeria, we wish again to express our concern and to reaffirm our belief that it is the responsibility of the United Nations to contribute in every possible way to the attainment of a solution, which would realize the aspirations of the Algerian people and remove what at present

constitutes an obvious source of international friction and threat to world peace.

Signed:

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