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Letter dated 24 January 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to
the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the text of a letter from Dr. Ali Abdusalam El-Treiki, Secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison, concerning the aggressive military exercises of the United States Sixth Fleet and other American forces, which are currently unfolding off the territorial waters of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under the item "Strengthening of security and co-operation in the Mediterranean region", and of the Security Council.

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

ANNEX

Letter dated 24 January 1986 from the Secretary of the People's
Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison of the
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to our letter dated 2 January 1986 (A/41/73-S/17710 and Corr.1), I wish to draw your attention to the aggressive military exercises of the United States Sixth Fleet and other American forces, which are currently unfolding off of the territorial waters of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

These manoeuvres are merely a new link in the chain of American provocations and aggression against the people of the Jamahiriya. Meanwhile, they could not be described but as state terrorism which is being practised by the United States Administration against small peaceful nations, including the Libyan nation. Moreover, they represent a flagrant violation of the Charter of the United Nations and all international norms and laws.

These aggressive manoeuvres, whose nature was affirmed by the United States Administration itself as a warning to the people of the Jamahiriya, represent an element of destabilization and a threat to the international peace and security in the Mediterranean region. While drawing your attention and that of the international community to these provocations and hostile manoeuvres, whose consequences are the sole responsibility of the United States Administration, I wish to assure you once again of our great desire to abstain from any undertaking that is likely to upset the peace and security in the region. Meanwhile, I wish to assert our complete right to defend our territorial waters and integrity in line with the Charter of the United Nations and international law. While drawing the international community's attention to the gravity of these provocations and aggressive actions, we invite you to take the measures with which you have been vested by the Charter.

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Committee of the People's
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