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Letter dated 5 February 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Morocco to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a letter addressed to you by His Majesty King Hassan II, King of Morocco, Chairman of the Arab Summit, Chairman of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and Chairman of the Al-Quds Committee.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under the items entitled "Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference", "Question of Palestine", "The situation in the Middle East", "Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations", "Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli

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Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories", "International co-operation to avert new flows of refugees" and "Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance", and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Moulay Mehdi ALAOUI Ambassador Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Letter from the King of Morocco to the Secretary-General

During the day of 4 February, Israeli fighter aircraft intercepted, in international airspace, a civilian Libyan aircraft and forced it to land at a military airfield in Israel. That was an act of air piracy, deliberately committed by a State that professes to be a member of the international community, an act condemned by the moral sense of all and one unequivocally prohibited by law.

Unfortunately, this is not the first marked violation of basic human rights and of the rights of nations committed by Israel. It has, more than once in a very short period of time, deliberately and openly disregarded the most elementary obligations stemming from treaties and from all that underlies international law. Its conduct, which is nothing less than an assemblage of repeated acts of aggression, consists of nothing but flagrant violations of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and grave threats to peace and security.

In thus placing itself outside the bounds of that lawfulness that governs relations between nations, the State of Israel automatically discredits itself as a law-abiding State and consequently excludes itself from the international community. It is indeed that very sanction that must be applied against it. Crimes of State - the acts perpetrated by the State of Israel cannot be described as anything else - can, if not rigourously curbed, involve all of mankind in an endless spiral of arbitrariness and lawlessness.

The Arab and Islamic masses and their leaders, for whom We are responsible as current Chairman of the Arab Summit, Chairman of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and Chairman of the Al-Quds Committee, are obviously the first targets and those most directly threatened by the State of Israel. We have all chosen legality as our bulwark and sanctuary. We ask you today, as we ask the United Nations, to take all appropriate measures so that such legality may be strictly observed.

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Hassan II King of Morocco