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LETTER DATED 17 AUGUST 1987 FROM THE CHARGE 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

We would not have replied to the letter dated 13 August 1987 addressed to you by the representative of the rebel Habré, (S/19038) if it had not contained misrepresentations which had to be corrected. In view of the respect due to you and to ourselves, we shall not descend to the level of triviality and degradation evidenced in the expressions used by Habré's representative, which are in themselves sufficient evidence of the sort of ideas and values he represents and which render him unworthy of membership in the United Nations. We shall emphasize only the following points:

1. The assertion in the rebel Habré's note to you, dated 7 August 1987, that the Jamahiriya was about to attack Chad is nothing more than a lie and a disgraceful ploy to justify the aggression which has taken place on our southern international border.

2. The invention of the so-called border problem between Libya and Chad and its utilization as an excuse for aggression against Libya will not help those who attempt to conceal the true nature of the Chad problem, which lies essentially in the need to eliminate the imperialist military presence in Chad and to bring about a genuine national reconciliation between the various Chadian factions, such as to pave the way for stability and peace in that country and to create appropriate concrete conditions for the establishment of co-operative relationships with Chad's neighbours.

3. It has become evident to the international community that Chad will be transformed, by virtue of the military, political and financial support it is receiving from the imperialist States, into a base for aggression against Libya and an area of tension which threatens the whole region. There is no need for us to point out that every imperialist initiative that is launched from the base of aggression in Chad coincides with acts of provocation on our border from other quarters. We do not think that you are unaware of this fact. Accordingly, the rulers of Ndjama and their backers are responsible for the threat to peace and security in the region and throughout the world, with all the dangers which that entails.

4. The Jamahiriya, while exercising its right to self-defence in accordance with international instruments, urges the Security Council to assume its full responsibilities in maintaining international peace and security.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this letter circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Rajah Abd al-Aziz AZZAROUK
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