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OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHAD TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE
PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Chad to the United Nations presents its compliments to the President of the Security Council and has the honour to transmit herewith, for information, the message that Mr. Alhadj Hissein Habré, President of the Republic of Chad, addressed on 25 November 1987 to the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), Mr. El-Hadj Omar Bongo, President of the Republic of Gabon, following the attack by the pathetic Libyan Islamic Army against the positions of the valiant Chadian National Armed Forces in violation of the cease-fire begun on 11 September 1987 under the auspices of OAU. The message reads as follows:

"To: His Excellency El-Hadj Omar Bongo, President of the Republic of Gabon, Chairman of the OAU Ad Hoc Committee on the Chad/Libya dispute, Libreville.

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I have the honour to inform you, in your capacity as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of OAU on the Chad/Libya dispute, of a serious violation by Libya of the cease-fire begun on 11 September under OAU auspices. During the night of Saturday 21-Sunday 22 November a column of the Islamic Libyan Legion coming from Sudan entered Chadian territory and attacked the positions of the Chadian National Armed Forces in the region of Koulbous. Violent fighting ensued. The Chadian Government has long been drawing the attention of African and international opinion to Libya's military activities in the Sudanese province of Darfour where nearly 5,000 soldiers of the Islamic Legion are stationed with the notorious complicity of the Government of Khartoum. This new aggression follows repeated violations of Chadian airspace by Libyan fighter planes, and these violations are accompanied by intensive military preparations which are taking the form of large-scale recruitment of mercenaries of all nationalities, in violation of the recommendations formulated in Lusaka by the Ad Hoc Committee of OAU. We would therefore draw your attention to these warlike Libyan initiatives, which seriously jeopardize

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the cease-fire and all the efforts of the Ad Hoc Committee of OAU to reach an amicable resolution of the Chad/Libya dispute.

Sincerely,
Hissein Habré
President of the Republic of Chad
Head of State,
N'djamena."

The Mission of Chad requests the Security Council to circulate this message as a Council document and to place it in the Chad/Libya file of which the Council remains seized.

