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LETTER DATED 28 SEPTEMBER 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

With reference to the letter sent to Your Excellency by the Permanent Representative of Chad on 21 September 1978 requesting that the members of the Security Council be informed of its contents and that the communiqué of the Government of Chad issued at Ndjamena on 12 September 1978 be circulated as a document of the Security Council (S/12857), I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the contents of said communiqué with regard to accusations against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya are baseless and unfounded. They merely constitute fabricated accusations and fictitious claims. The Government of Chad has designed to implicate the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in the serious internal problems of Chad trying to use Libya as a scapegoat. The Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, therefore, rejects these allegations entirely and categorically in form and substance.

With these accusations the Government of Chad thinks that it can divert attention from the critical situation it is facing and conceal its failure to be in peace with its people. The problem that the Government of Chad is facing is absolutely an internal one and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya has no responsibility in this regard.

The Government of Chad has accused the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya of forming disturbances and encouraging rebels. But whom does the Government of Chad want to deceive, the members of the Security Council or the entire membership of the United Nations? Everyone knows that the revolution in Chad has been in existence for a long time, even before the independence of this country and, of course, before the Libyan revolution.

The Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya did seek, and is always seeking a conciliation between the Government of Chad and the Chadi revolutionaries. The last of these endeavours was its endorsement of President Numairi's initiative for the realization of a national conciliation between the Chadi Brothers whereby representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Sudan and Chad met during the period from 16 to 17 February 1978 in Sebha in the Jamahiriya.

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At the conclusion of this meeting a Joint Communiqué was issued and distributed as a Security Council document (S/12568, on 19 February 1978). The communiqué expressed the sentiments of appreciation and acknowledgement from the delegation of Chad for the constructive efforts undertaken by the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Sudan in the cause of assisting Chad to resolve its internal problems and to achieve national reconciliation.

At the same time bilateral discussion took place between the representatives of the Democratic Republic of Sudan and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya with regard to assisting the Republic of Chad in attaining national conciliation. As a result of these discussions a Joint Press Communiqué was issued (S/12568).

I would be grateful if the members of the Security Council were kept informed of the above facts and request that this letter be distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mansur R. KIKHIA
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