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Letter dated 17 November 1981 from the Permanent Representative of
Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter of 9 November 1981 (A/36/668-S/14651), I have the honour to draw Your Excellency's attention to continued violations of the airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by jet-fighters of the Turkish Air Force which occurred on 12 and 13 November 1981, as follows:

On 12 November 1981, at 0905 hours, three A/F F-104 Turkish jet-fighters, originating from southern Turkey, flew over the area of Limnitis in a westerly direction. At 0908 hours, they flew over the villages of Elias, Agkolemi and Morphou.

At 1015 hours on the same day, two A/F F-104 Turkish jet-fighters flew east to west over the villages of Elias, Lefka and Limnitis, and then headed to the north.

On 13 November 1981, from 0815 to 0825 hours, two A/F F-104 Turkish jet-fighters, originating from Turkey and flying in formation, violated the airspace of the Republic, over the villages of Mia Milia, Kithrea, Palekithron and Lefkonikon and carried out dives in the area between Kithrea and Kantara. At 0825 hours, they headed to the north.

At 0830 hours, two other Turkish A/F F-104 jet-fighters, flying in formation, flew over the Pentadaktilos range south of Skylloura where they carried out three dives. At 0840 hours, they flew over the area of Kiparissovouno-Agirta and then headed off in a northerly direction.

At 0945 hours, two Turkish A/F F-104 jet-fighters flew over the Pentagia-Morphou range and at 0952 hours, they circled the area where the Turkish occupation forces are carrying out military exercises. They then headed off to the north.

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At 1000 hours, two Turkish A/F F-104 jet-fighters flew south along the Pentadaktilos range from west to east.

At 1007 hours, they carried out 6 dives east of the village of Kithrea and headed off towards the north.

In strongly protesting the above aggressive actions of Turkey, I wish to point out, as I have indicated in the past, that they repeatedly take place at highly delicate phases of the Cyprus problem and are hardly conducive to an atmosphere of good will nor are they indicative of the necessary political will on the part of Turkey for a just solution of the Cyprus problem, as called for by the High Level Agreements and the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 35, and of the Security Council.

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