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Letter dated 8 February 1982 from the Permanent Representative of  
Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour, upon instructions from my Government, to lodge a strong protest for a further aggressive act committed by the military forces of Turkey occupying part of my country. Thus, on 3 February 1982, Turkish military forces fired approximately 25 shots at an Indian aircraft flying over Cyprus to the international airport at Larnaca for refuelling. Although, fortunately, the aircraft was not hit, one cannot but condemn in the strongest possible terms such an uncalled-for and provocative act, which providentially did not result in the loss of human lives. The above Turkish action, apart from constituting aggression against my country, is also an act of international terrorism directed against the safety of international aviation and the Government of Turkey should be called upon to refrain from its repetition.

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

(Signed) Andreas V. MAVROMMATIS  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of  
Cyprus to the United Nations

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