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Letter dated 23 June 1982 from the Permanent Representative of Hungary  
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a statement issued on  
18 June 1982 by the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this statement to be circulated  
as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 31 and 34 of the  
preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Pál RÁCZ  
Permanent Representative of the Hungarian  
People's Republic to the United Nations

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Statement issued on 18 June 1982 by the Government  
of the Hungarian People's Republic

Declaration of the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic on Israel's aggression :

Budapest, June 18 /MTI/ - The Council of the Ministers of the Hungarian People's Republic notes with indignation that Israel is continuing armed aggression against the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples. The unjustifiable onslaught is causing serious damage to human lives and civil property. Israel's unbridled and openly provocative conduct, the trampling on Lebanon's sovereignty are regretfully encouraged by the support, agreement and assistance of certain advanced capitalist countries.

The world was shocked to see that when ordering the attack on Lebanon, the Israeli leaders simply ignored the presence of the UN peacekeeping forces, and are not heeding the UN Security Council's resolutions calling for a ceasefire and an immediate end of the armed operation. Now that their armed forces occupying much of Lebanon, they are urging the sending of a multinational military force that would enable certain NATO powers to come into control of Lebanon.

The aggression places enormous responsibility on Israel's present leaders and their foreign abettors. They are endangering both the peace of the Middle East and the world and the future lot of the people of Israel.

The Government of the Hungarian People's Republic - expressing the will of the entire Hungarian people - most resolutely demand an immediate and unconditional end of the aggression and that the Israeli leaders should immediately stop the genocidal war against the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples. The Hungarian Government calls for the full withdrawal of the Israeli invasion forces from Lebanon, the restoration of the integrity and sovereignty of the Republic of Lebanon and the guaranteeing of its territorial inviolability. The Hungarian Government supports the righteous demand that Israel should reimburse the serious loss to human life and property. The Hungarian Government expects the Government of the United States and that of the other NATO countries maintaining good relations with Israel to make the necessary steps to halt the Israeli aggression.

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The Government of the Hungarian People's Republic deems it important to declare once again: a comprehensive and just solution of the Middle East crisis must be found in the framework of an international conference, where each interested side - including the Palestine Liberation Organization, the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian arab people - are represented, and which guarantees the security and sovereignty of all the states of the region. It is indispensable for the creation of peace that Israel should end the occupation of the arab territories, occupied in 1967 and that it should assure the legitimate national rights of the Palestinian arab people, including the right of establishing their own and independent state.

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