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LETTER DATED 18 JUNE 1982 FROM THE ALTERNATE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CUBA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter from His Excellency Fidel Castro Ruz, in his capacity as Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and would request you to have it circulated as a document of the Security Council under the items "The Palestine Question" and "The Middle East Situation".

(<u>Signed</u>) Rolando LOPEZ DEL AMO
Ambassador
Alternate Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter from the Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries addressed to the President of the Security Council

On behalf of the non-aligned countries, I wish to bring to your attention the serious situation existing in Lebanon as a result of the brutal invasion by Israel which is causing enormous human and material losses. The international community must take urgent action to put an end to the aggression and ensure that the Israeli troops withdraw immediately and unconditionally as ordered by the Security Council.

The necessary action must be taken to stop the killings, the terror and the destruction, which the aggressors have unleashed against the Palestinian people and the Lebanese people.

In conformity with the Charter, the Security Council has an unavoidable responsibility, which is even more urgent in this case, since, as is well known, Israel is operating in clear and open violation of the resolutions of the Security Council.

Consequently, I urge you to ensure the adoption by the Security Council of the measures required by the present situation.

(Signed) Fidel CASTRO RUZ

Chairman of the Movement
of Non-Aligned Countries