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

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to draw your Excellency's attention to new serious and provocative violations of the airspace and territorial waters of the Republic of Cyprus by Turkish military aircraft and warships of the Turkish occupation forces in Cyprus, which were engaged in military exercises, that took place on 19 November 1982 as follows:

- (a) From 0830 to 0845, two Turkish F4 Phantom jet fighter planes originating from the southern part of Turkey flew over the Pentadaktylos Range of the Republic of Cyprus from west to east over the villages of Kioneli, Mia Milia and Palekithro.
- (b) At 1035, two Turkish fighter air force planes - F4 Phantoms - originating from the southern part of Turkey flew south and across the Pentadaktylos Range of the Republic of Cyprus from west to east and over the Dikomo-Kioneli area, where they carried out two reconnaissance passes and subsequently four dives each in the above-mentioned area. During these dives they rocketed and machine-gunned targets. At 1050 they headed off to the north.
- (c) From 1035 to 1050, two Turkish air force planes, believed to be F4s, flew in formation and carried out dives in the area of Dikomo-Kioneli hitting targets with rockets and machine guns.
- (d) At 1300 hours, four Turkish warships, a destroyer, a tank-landing ship, a guided-missile boat and a torpedo boat, appeared about nine miles north of Petra Tou Limniti. The ships sailed west to Kokkina enclave, at a distance of nine miles from the coast of the Republic, while carrying out exercises. At 1635 they sailed back to Limnitis and then north.

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The Government of the Republic of Cyprus strongly protests these new aggressive actions, which constitute flagrant violations of its sovereignty and territorial integrity.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 37, and of the Security Council.

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to the United Nations
