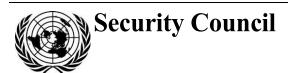
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## Letter dated 5 September 2019 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Libya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you a letter dated 2 September 2019 from Mohamed T. H. Siala, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Libya (see annex).

I request that the present letter and its annex be issued as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Elmahdi S. **Elmajerbi** Ambassador Chargé d'affaires a.i.





## Annex to the letter dated 5 September 2019 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Libya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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## Letter dated 2 September 2019 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Government of National Accord addressed to the President of the Security Council

I should like to take this opportunity to convey to you my sincere greetings and warm congratulations on your assumption of the presidency of the Security Council. I have every confidence that your State will lead the Council in these difficult times to issue effective and decisive resolutions that will bring about resolutions to the crises being undergone by the world as a whole and my country in particular.

We are certain that the Council is paying full attention to what has been going on in my country since the beginning of April 2019 and closely monitoring the unjustified attack on the capital Tripoli that has led to the deaths of hundreds of civilians, injuries to thousands of others, and the displacement of entire residential neighbourhoods in flagrant violation of international instruments and norms.

On 1 September 2019, yesterday morning, the Haftar forces committed yet another criminal act that crossed all lines and boundaries when they launched missiles at Mitiga civilian airport in the centre of the capital Tripoli. The airport was packed with travellers and a Libyan Airlines flight carrying Hajj pilgrims was landing. The passengers suffered extensive injuries. The aircraft was hit, spreading panic and terror among women, children and elderly persons.

Every day, indeed, every hour that goes by without the Council adopting decisive resolutions to rein in the aggressor and put a stop to his crimes before it is too late will have catastrophic humanitarian consequences that will threaten the security not only of Libya but of the entire region.

We renew our call on the Council to send a fact-finding mission to detail and document these crimes. We are informing you of all this in order to alert the Council to its historical responsibility to carry out its duties with respect to the maintenance of international peace and security and its prior commitments to our people.

(Signed) Mohamed T. H. Siala Minister for Foreign Affairs

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