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Letter dated 9 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative
of Sri Lanka to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a communiqué issued today by the Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned Countries.

I should be grateful if you would kindly have the communiqué circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under items 24 and 25 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) B. J. FERNANDO
Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka
to the United Nations and Chairman of
the Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned
Countries

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ANNEX

Communiqué issued on 9 May 1979 on behalf of the
Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned Countries

1. The Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned Countries, alarmed by the Israeli invasion of the territory of Lebanon, expressed its condemnation of Israel for its continued violation of the territorial integrity of Lebanon. The Bureau views with grave concern the recent escalation and intensification of Israeli armed attacks on Lebanon and on the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanese territory, resulting in great loss of life, particularly of women and children, and destruction of property.
2. The Bureau also expresses its concern for the safety of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.
3. The Bureau calls on the Security Council to take all effective steps as prescribed under the Charter of the United Nations to put an end to such Israeli aggression and to restore full Lebanese authority and sovereignty over its territory within the internationally recognized boundaries.
