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Letter dated 17 December 1982 from the Permanent Representative of
Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward herewith a statement issued on 13 December 1982 by a spokesman of the Foreign Office of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on South Africa's act of aggression against Lesotho.

I shall be grateful if you could kindly have this letter and the attached statement circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 33, and of the Security Council.

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Ambassador and Permanent Representative

ANNEX

STATEMENT OF THE SPOKESMAN OF THE FOREIGN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC
OF PAKISTAN ON SOUTH AFRICA'S ACT OF AGGRESSION
AGAINST LESOTHO.

Islamabad, December 13: A Foreign Office Spokesman today condemned South Africa's armed raid into neighbouring Lesotho on 9th December 1982 which led to the killing of many innocent people including women and children in the capital city of Maseru.

The Spokesman said the South African act of aggression once again demonstrated Pretoria's total disregard and contempt for the norms of international conduct. There could be no justification for such blatant aggression against the territory of a neighbouring country.

The Spokesman said that by persisting with policies of violence, apartheid and armed attacks against the sovereignty of her neighbours, South Africa is further damaging the prospects of peace and racial harmony in the region.
