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Letter dated 6 June 1988 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

On the occasion of the holding of the fifteenth special session of the General Assembly (the third devoted to disarmament), I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the letter from Colonel Ali Abdullah Saleh, President of the Yemen Arab Republic, Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces and General Secretary of the People's National Congress to Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev, General Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, and to Mr. Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, on the occasion of their summit meeting at Moscow.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter issued as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 24, 37, 40, 64, 72 and 73 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mohamed Yahia MANSOUR
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Letter from the President of the Yemen Arab Republic to the
President of the United States of America and the General
Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party
of the Soviet Union

Your historic meeting, the outcome of which all mankind is expectantly awaiting, is a turning-point in history that can pave the way for the peace and security that should be enjoyed by all inhabitants of the globe, in freedom from violence, coercion and domination.

In welcoming this important event, the citizens of the Yemen Arab Republic wish at the same time to reaffirm that international peace and security are indivisible. On the basis of that principle, we cherish the hope that the conflict that has existed in the Middle East since the beginning of this century - a problem that has threatened and will continue to threaten peace and stability both in the region itself and throughout the world - will receive from you the attention that it deserves, so as to facilitate the achievement of a just and honourable peace that will safeguard all the legitimate rights of the Arab Palestinian people, without exception, in accordance with international law and the principle that oppressed peoples are entitled to exercise self-determination and to attain freedom and independence, and that will also safeguard the rights of the other Arab countries to regain their usurped territories.

In view of the historic mission of the present generation and of coming generations, any serious endeavour to find a just solution to the problem is a great human responsibility. We hope that your historic meeting will yield tangible results in that respect, which will combine with your efforts to find a solution to the fundamental problems that constitute an obstacle to general disarmament, efforts on which all the peoples of the world place their hopes.

Colonel Ali Abdullah Saleh
President of the Yemen Arab Republic
Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces
General Secretary of the People's
National Congress

