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Identical letters dated 5 August 2024 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I should like to convey to you the following information:

European officials have repeatedly visited areas in the north-east of the Syrian Arab Republic. In particular, the so-called special representative of the United Kingdom recently visited the Syrian Governorate of Hasakah.

That delegation, and others from European States, have infiltrated Syrian territory and met with members of armed terrorist groups and separatist militias. Such conduct is unacceptable by any standard; it is, indeed, a punishable offence under every domestic legal system in the world, including those of their own States.

Such disgraceful conduct clashes with those States' self-proclaimed respect for the legal and ethical principles underpinning inter-State relations. It is a flagrant attack on the sovereignty of the Syrian Arab Republic and a blatant violation of international law and the resolutions of the Security Council, which frequently emphasize that States – all States, without exception – must respect Syrian sovereignty and territorial integrity.

Those recurring illegal visits to north-east Syria expose the misguided nature of the policies adopted by States that have long claimed, falsely, to support international law and the integrity and sovereignty of other States.

The Government of the Syrian Arab Republic condemns those visits and calls on other world States to follow suit, as such acts violate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of a State that was among the 50 trailblazers which established the United Nations.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter issued as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Koussay Aldahhak Ambassador Permanent Representative



