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LETTER DATED 8 AUGUST 1983 FROM THE ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a Tass communiqué dated 4 August 1983 on events regarding Chad.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the text of this communiqué as a Security Council document.

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of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics  
to the United Nations

Annex

Tass communiqué

Imperialistic meddling in the events in Chad is on the increase and is assuming ever more dangerous dimensions. It is now perfectly clear that the imperialists are seeking to use the internal conflict in that African country to carry out their far-reaching political schemes against the peoples of Africa.

The United States of America, France and several other Western and non-Western countries are trying, directly and through their accomplices and agents, to establish domination over the African peoples, to limit their sovereignty and to deprive them of the right to make independent decisions on their own.

In recent days, American military aircraft have been bringing into Chad new detachments of mercenaries and regular forces of foreign interventionists. The military advisers are accompanied by an increasing flow of American and French weapons, including missiles.

In an attempt to justify their brazen and flagrant meddling on the African continent, the imperialists are inventing far-fetched charges against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in particular. For a long time, that country has been the target of relentless imperialist attacks; it is now under direct military pressure. The vessels of the United States Sixth Fleet are ready to intervene. An immense naval task force, including the nuclear aircraft carrier Eisenhower, is heading towards the Libyan coast. United States military aircraft are carrying out a number of provocative flights every day, seeking any excuse for a military confrontation.

Every effort is being made to exacerbate tension in the region of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. Washington virtually believes that it can give an ultimatum to this sovereign State, which is actually under a threat of aggression.

The question is who gave the United States and its accomplices the right to flout the sovereignty of independent countries, to meddle in internal events taking place thousands of miles from the United States, and to impose their neo-colonialist "norms of conduct" on other States.

Such actions and the hegemonistic designs of the imperialist forces are flagrantly incompatible with the fundamental principles of the United Nations Charter and other international instruments to which the United States and France are signatories.

The Soviet Union resolutely condemns these unlawful acts, which are a threat to international peace and security and must be halted. The arbitrary ways of the imperialist States must cease.

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