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LETTER DATED 23 MAY 1983 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO
THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I wish to refer to letter S/15775 dated 19 May 1983 and addressed to you on the subject of the internal situation in Chad and also to the letters mentioned therein and to inform you that the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya categorically rejects the allegations contained in this correspondence and that the Jamahiriya has no connection with events occurring in Chad. It desires the establishment of peace and security in Chad and has made and is making every effort, in co-operation with the sister States bordering on Chad, to find a solution to the Chad problem and to achieve peace and security in the territory of the sister State of Chad.

The whole world is aware that what is occurring in Chad is a war between the legitimate Government deriving from the Lagos Agreement and the rebels under the leadership of Hissen Habré. This war is being waged on Chad territory between Chad nationals.

Such letters addressed to the Council are merely an attempt to hide the truth and a part of the frantic campaign being launched by imperialism and its agents against the people of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. They are also a desperate attempt to divert the eyes of world public opinion from the defeats sustained by the rebel forces of Hissen Habré at the hands of the forces of the legitimate Government of National Unity.

The Libyan Arab Republic affirms and declares its desire and its full readiness to co-operate with the African sister States for the achievement of peace and security in Chad.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dr. Ali Abdusalam TREIKI
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