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LETTER DATED 16 FEBRUARY 1971 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRS, A.I. OF PORTUGAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform
Your Excellency that on 13 February 1971, around 10.30 a.m., two MIG-17 planes,
coming from the Republic of Guinea, overflew the Portuguese province of Guinea,
penetrating its air space far into the interior before returning to the country of
their origin. The Portuguese Government cannot refrain from inviting the attention
of the Security Council to the grave nature of this violation which would not have
taken place if the Republic of Guinea had scrupulously adhered to its international
obligations to respect the peace and territorial integrity of the countries that
are its neighbours.

I shall appreciate it if you direct that this letter be circulated as an official document of the Security Council, on the usual terms.

(<u>Signed</u>) António PATRICIO Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.