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LETTER DATED 31 JANUARY 1984 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE
PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement which was recently made public by the legitimate Government of Chad and which was read out by the representative of that country in Paris:

1. France, which has intensified its military operations in Chad, should naturally expect an appropriate reaction from the citizens of Chad fighting for their independence and their freedom.
2. The legitimate Government has appealed to Libya to stand by the forces of the army of national liberation, in accordance with the Treaty of Friendship and Alliance signed between the two parties.
3. France has chosen to throw oil on the fire by intervening militarily, advancing beyond the red line which it drew itself and launching aggression against the forces of the legitimate Government of Chad. It therefore bears the responsibility for a further deterioration of the military situation and security in the Republic of Chad.

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

(Signed) Ali A. TREIKI
Permanent Representative
