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LETTER DATED 19 MARCH 1984 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED
NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I wish to refer to the letter addressed to you by the representative of the Sudan and contained in document S/16419 dated 19 March 1984 concerning the letter of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan, which contains baseless allegations against the Libyan Arab Republic.

I transmit herewith a letter addressed to you by Dr. Ali Abdusalam Treiki, Secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison.

I request that this letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Awad Salih BURWIN
Minister Plenipotentiary
Chargé d'Affaires

Annex

Letter dated 19 March 1984 from the Secretary of the People's
Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison of the
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya addressed to the Secretary-General

I wish to refer to the letter addressed to you by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan, which contains a series of falsehoods, lies, allegations and threats directed against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and which even contains a personal attack that is absolutely remote from international customs and concepts and from Arab ethics, an attack on the leader of the great revolution of 1 September and on the people of the Jamahiriya. As I emphasize the unfoundedness of the contents of this letter, I wish to affirm the following facts:

1. The Sudan has, for a number of years, been experiencing continuous revolutions and disturbances, which are known to the whole world and which have extended to all parts of the Sudan. The Sudanese régime, after failing to suppress those disturbances by force using the ugliest means, is trying to find external justifications through empty accusations against the States neighbouring on the Sudan, among them my country.

2. The Sudanese régime, which has been exposed to more than 30 attempts to overthrow it in past years and has carried out extensive purges involving all its officials, on instructions from major imperialist Powers, wishes, through these allegations, to draw the region into an international conflict and to make the Sudan a theatre and a provider of bases for the imperialist Powers for the purpose of aggression against sister States neighbouring on the Sudan.

3. The Jamahiriya has many times warned of the dangerousness of the policy of the Sudanese régime and its provocations directed against the Jamahiriya. In this context, the leader of the great revolution of 1 September addressed a letter to Arab monarchs and heads of State warning of the dangerous nature of the statement which was made by the head of the Sudanese régime to the newspaper The Herald Tribune issued in Paris on 2 April 1981 and in which he said that:

"He is in a state of war with Colonel Muammar Qaddafi, he believes that the world must try to get rid of him by means of assassination and he is personally prepared to offer help to anyone who decides to do this job".

4. The Jamahiriya has drawn the attention of the international community to the dangerousness of the hostile policy pursued by the Sudanese régime and, in particular, to the words of the head of this régime in his statement to the Egyptian newspaper Al-Akhbar of 17 May 1981, in which he said that his forces were not afraid of confronting Libya and that he was currently making preparations to overthrow Qaddafi's régime. There was likewise his statement to the newspaper Al-Ahram of 19 June 1981, in which he said that his country would be Qaddafi's burial ground. Addressing the People's Assemblies in the Kordofan region, he said: "Do not be surprised if you see me leading a legion to fight Qaddafi in Libya".

All these hostile statements and intentions of the Sudanese régime and its head and the new accusations have but one meaning, namely, preparation to carry out armed military aggression against the Jamahiriya with the co-operation of the imperialist Powers.

As we stress the unfoundedness of the contents of the letter of the Sudanese Minister for Foreign Affairs and our categorical rejection of these accusations, we warn of the danger of the provocations being made by the Sudanese régime and the danger of the presence of the military forces of the imperialist States, which wish to exploit the internal problems in the Sudan and to make the Sudan a cat's-paw and a base for aggression against the people of the Jamahiriya and other States neighbouring on the Sudan.

The Jamahiriya, which most fervently desires that peace and security should prevail in the region, affirms its right to defend itself against any aggression directed against it by the Sudanese régime and the imperialist Powers allied with it.

(Signed) Ali Abdusalam TREIKI
Secretary of the People's
Committee of the People's Bureau
for Foreign Liaison
