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Letter dated 5 January 1984 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to the document of the General Assembly and the Security Council issued on 29 December 1983 (A/39/60-S/16242), I have the honour to bring the following statement issued in Islamabad on 26 December 1983 to Your Excellency's attention:

"A Foreign Office spokesman today categorically rejected the allegation by the Kabul régime that Pakistani personnel had assisted the Mujahideen in their recent action against a post inside Afghanistan near Torkham. The spokesman said it was a well-known fact that the resistance throughout the length and breadth of Afghanistan was an indigenous freedom struggle being carried on by the heroic Afghan people. The repetition of baseless allegations of Pakistani involvement was only a device to misrepresent the true nature of this struggle.

The spokesman emphasized that Pakistan had consistently adhered to its policy of non-interference in the internal affairs of other States, including Afghanistan. Pakistan remained committed to finding a peaceful political solution of the Afghan problem based upon principles that had been repeatedly endorsed by the international community in the United Nations, the Islamic Conference and the Non-aligned Movement."

I request Your Excellency to circulate this letter as a document of the General Assembly under the item entitled "The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security", and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) S. SHAH NAWAZ Ambassador and Permanent Representative