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LETTER DATED 12 JULY 1984 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED
NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison, I wish to draw the attention of the Security Council to the dangerous statements made by Mr. George Shultz, Secretary of State of the United States of America, on 13 June 1984, before the United States House Foreign Affairs Committee, in which he openly and directly threatened to take more effective steps and measures against what he called the terrorism league, which, he claimed, included the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison wishes also to draw attention to the pressures which the United States Secretary of State has unceasingly exerted on some countries of the Atlantic Pact to take military and political measures on a collective basis in order to put an international stamp on the United States Administration's programme for carrying out terrorist operations, when those countries adopt a progressive, independent course in the face of United States aggressive designs.

These and other statements made by senior officials in the United States Administration reveal clearly the terrorist programme which the United States of America is resolved to implement, under the supervision of combined Special Operations, composed of the Chiefs of staff of the armed forces in co-operation with the United States Central Intelligence Agency, and entrusted with the task of planning operations to be carried out by special elite strike forces, stationed in certain European States, the Middle East, Latin America and Asia, against small, peace-loving States which stand firm in the face of the terrorist policy of United States imperialism. The United States military invasion of Grenada, which was contrary to all international laws and codes, and the continuation of acts of sabotage and provocations against Nicaragua and in many other regions of the world, in application of the vital interests theory and under cover of the combating of terrorism, are perhaps the best examples of that.

Security Council documents also bear witness to the threats and provocations to which the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya has been and still is exposed to through the continued presence of the United States Sixth Fleet off the coast of Libya and its repeated breaches of the inviolability of Libyan territorial

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waters and airspace. Nor is the Council unaware of all the economic pressures exerted and propaganda campaigns launched by the United States Administration against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. All these practices disclose a deliberate intention to commit aggression against a small, peace-loving State Member of the United Nations which has chosen its independent path of development. Such aggression would constitute a direct threat to international peace and security and be deemed a violation of the Charter of the United Nations and the principles of international law.

The Libyan Arab Republic, considering it its duty to alert the Security Council and the international community to the dangerous character of these statements and practices and of the concomitant continuous escalation of the policy of threat and provocation, emphasizes once again that the United States Administration bears full responsibility for any aggressive act directed against the Libyan Arab people and for any resultant breach of international peace and security.

The Libyan Arab Jamahiriya reserves its legitimate right to take such steps as it deems appropriate to defend its people, its interests and its national sovereignty against any act directed against them.

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

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