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Letter dated 9 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative  
of Democratic Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the statement made by an official spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen on Wednesday, 8 May 1985, concerning the development of the situation in Central America.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this statement circulated as a document of the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session, under agenda item 25, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdalla AL-ASHTAL  
Ambassador Extraordinary  
and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative of the People's  
Democratic Republic of Yemen to the  
United Nations

ANNEX

Statement made on 8 May 1985 at Aden by an official  
spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the  
People's Democratic Republic of Yemen

An official spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen made the following statement:

"The People's Democratic Republic of Yemen is following with great interest the development of the situation in Central America and believes that that situation is growing steadily worse because of the United States policy of imposing on the peoples of the region conditions contrary to their interests and because of a failure to respect the aspirations of those peoples to live in peace and choose freely their own path of independent development. The total trade embargo imposed by the United States of America upon Nicaragua constitutes a new escalation in the series of attempts made by the United States Government to destroy the Nicaraguan revolution and to interfere with the peace efforts made by the States of the Contadora Group.

"Vigorously condemning this measure, the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen appeals to all peace-loving States to denounce this action, which is contrary to the Charter of the United Nations and to the principles of free trade and co-operation between States. It further expresses its support for Nicaragua and for the vigorous steps it will take to deal with the consequences of this action."

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