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Letter dated 8 February 1990 from the Permanent Representative of
Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement issued on 7 February 1990 by a spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan on the attack on tourists in Egypt (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and the attached text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East".

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ANNEX

Statement on the attack on tourists in Egypt issued on 7 February 1990
by a spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

1. In Egypt on 4 February 1990, a bus carrying Israeli tourists was attacked and many passengers were killed or injured. The Government of Japan deplores such an incident. The Government of Japan also expresses its deepest sympathy and condolences to the victims, who were civilian tourists.
2. At the same time, the Government of Japan hopes that this unfortunate incident will not adversely affect the Middle East peace process now under way through the efforts of the parties concerned.

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