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## Letter dated 12 March 1990 from the Permanent Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriva to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a statement issued by the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Lisison and International Co-operation concerning the latest United States threats against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 70 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

> (Signed) Ali A. TREIKI Permanent Representative

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## Statement issued by the People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison and International Co-operation

The United States Administration has insisted on reiterating groundless allegations and charges against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. To that end, the way was prepared by the launching of a disinformation campaign, and this was followed by the statements made by the official White House spokesman on 7 March 1990 in which he claimed that chemical weapons were being produced at the Rabta plant for pharmaceuticals and medical preparations. The United States spokesman was not content to repeat these allegations, which have already been refuted and whose fallaciousness has already been demonstrated to the world, but his statement also contained the threat of possible action against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, including military aggression.

The People's Committee of the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison and International Co-operation, in condemning the statement made by the official United States spokesman and repudiating its substance, once again reaffirms the full commitment of the Jamahiriya, as previously declared, to all international covenants and all international endeavours that have the aim of outlawing the production, stockpiling and use of chemical and other weapons of mass destruction, as well as its readiness to co-operate with any international efforts in that regard. It calls upon the international community, upon all States and all organizations, to condemn and resist the dangerous and hostile course that the United States Administration continues to pursue, which represents a threat not only to the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya but to all States that cherish peace.

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