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Letter dated 2 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative
of Democratic Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the statement issued on 1 October 1985 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen concerning the Israeli attack on the headquarters of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the suburbs of Tunis.

I request that this statement be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 33 and 38, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Statement issued on 1 October 1985 by the Ministry of
Foreign Affairs of Democratic Yemen

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

The air attack by the Israeli enemy on the headquarters of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the suburbs of Tunis, which caused the death of a number of fighters, women and children, including Palestinians and Tunisians, constitutes a further violation of international charters and practices and confirms once again the policy of aggression and terrorism pursued by the Zionist régime, against the Palestinian people in particular and the Arab peoples in general, and its determination to persist with its policy of aggression against Arab States.

The Zionist aggressors would not have dared to carry out their attacks on the headquarters of the Palestine Liberation Organization in Tunis and to violate the sovereignty of the sisterly Republic of Tunisia were it not for the unlimited support and assistance they receive from United States imperialism, which is the strategic ally of the Zionist entity and the backer of every attack against our Arab peoples, its principal aim being to deny the legitimate rights of the Palestinian Arab people.

The People's Democratic Republic of Yemen condemns the Zionist aggression and is confident that the Palestinian Arab people will continue its national liberation struggle until its legitimate cause prevails. It will not be deflected from this aim by the policy of terrorism and aggression pursued by the Zionist entity against the uprisings of the Palestinian Arab masses in the occupied territories and against all patriots both inside and outside their own countries.

Democratic Yemen reaffirms that it is essential to restore the unity of the Palestine Liberation Organization on the basis of its patriotic stance of opposition to imperialism and zionism and to repel decisively all forms of conspiracy, aggression and settlements which deny the rights of the Palestinian Arab people and its legitimate cause.

Democratic Yemen also expresses its solidarity with the Republic of Tunisia and its sisterly people, and we call upon all Arab States to provide every assistance to them in order to deal with the consequences of the Zionist attack on their territory and to prevent any Zionist imperialist aggression against their sovereignty and national independence.

