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STRENGTHENING OF SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION

REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION
ON THE STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Letter dated 6 August 1983 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to
the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter from Colonel
Muammar Qaddafi, leader of the glorious revolution of the first of September in the
Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, addressed to the President of the
Security Council.

I request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the
General Assembly under items 65 and 66 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) Awad Salih BURWIN
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Letter 5 August 1983 from Colonel Muammar Qaddafi of the Libyan Arab
Jamahiriya addressed to the President of the Security Council

I wish to inform you that international security is faced by a threat of the utmost gravity in the Arab region and the Horn of Africa as a result of the landing of United States forces of all kinds in Egyptian, Sudanese, Somali and Omani territories. I would have no right to speak on behalf of those countries, were it not for the fact that two of them are situated on my country's borders. The landing of these forces presents a direct threat to the security of my country, and my country is ready to defend itself wherever it is threatened as a result of the landing from sea and air of the American forces on its borders.

I wish to inform you that the responsibility for any breakdown of international security in this region as a result of that lies entirely with the Government of the United States of America and, consequently, with the United Nations Security Council, if it does not intervene to compel that Government to halt this large-scale troop landing, which threatens security in this extremely sensitive and troubled region.

I request that the Security Council take all measures consistent with its responsibility for safeguarding the security of States Members of the United Nations and also peace and security in the region.

(Signed) Colonel Muammar Qaddafi
Leader of the glorious revolution
of the first of September
Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
