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Letter dated 1 November 1983 from the Permanent Representative  
of Afghanistan to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose the statement dated 27 October 1983 made by the Government of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan on the United States aggression against Grenada.

I should like to request Your Excellency to arrange for the circulation of the statement as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 145, and of the Security Council.

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Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

STATEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

27 October 1983

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Recently, the world community learned about another open act of aggression committed by the warmongering and adventurist US imperialism. This big imperialist power, in continuation of its expansionist policy and relying on the military might it accumulated and stockpiled during years and decades, criminally attacked the territory and sovereign Grenada with the aim of occupying it. The merciless aggression against independent Grenada by the warmongering circles of the biggest imperialist power which has resulted in great human and material losses on the part of the defenceless people of this territory, has caused the deep hatred and indignation of the world community.

The people of independent Grenada, with the victory of the revolution of that country, put an end to all forms of dependence on imperialism which had looted them for long in accord with the aspirations of the people and guaranteed their progress, happiness and interests. The recent events in that country was solely an internal affair of Grenada and nobody had, or has, the right to use it as a pretext for interference in the internal affairs of this independent and sovereign country. It is really ridiculous that the US imperialism resorts to the military invasion of a small country with the pretext of restoring democracy in that land. Only the logic of the warmongering and adventurous ruling circles of US imperialism can justify invasion and the bloodshed of hundreds of the citizens of a small country as an attempt to restore their rights.

Reports coming out of Grenada indicate that the freedom-loving people of Grenada has put up a tenacious resistance against foreign aggressors and this resistance is continuing. The patriotic resistance of the people of Grenada shows that the heroic people of this small country who have enjoyed the taste of freedom after long years of oppressive colonial and neo-colonial domination, are ready to valorously defend-in spite of the imbalance in the forces involved-their freedom against the aggression of the biggest world imperialist power.

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This open aggression of US imperialism, in the aftermath of hundreds of other acts of aggression and armed attacks in different parts of the world, once again showed that the greed of US capitalists and their war industry knows no saturation point and whenever they feel that a country and a nation is not ready to follow their dictat, the big imperialist power is prepared to commit a fresh crime and, by occupying its territory, to establish a puppet government there which will guarantee its interests. Right now, the imperialist undeclared war, led by US imperialism, is continuing against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan, armed aggression and other forms of intervention against the territory of Nicaragua is being committed everyday and the concentration of the naval forces of US imperialism along the eastern and western coasts of that country is threatening the independence and sovereignty of Nicaragua and the interferences of US imperialism is continuing in El Salvador, Lebanon, Chad and in other parts of the world.

In fact, armed aggression against Grenada, as a member country of the United Nations and an active member of the Non-Aligned Movement, which has been carried out with the gross violation of the United Nations Charter and all accepted principles and norms of international conduct, once again proved the obvious fact that no small country in the world, particularly those who are members of the Non-Aligned Movement, could be immuned from the threat of aggression and invasion posed by the US imperialism. Member countries of the Non-Aligned Movement and all the peace-loving countries and forces have the duty to find basic ways for putting an end to such imperialist aggressions and adventures and, in the long last, for preventing war, particularly the devastating nuclear war, because otherwise, no country can feel safe from the aggressions and expansionism of imperialism.

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan, which is itself the victim of an imperialist undeclared war after the victory of the liberating Saur revolution, severely condemns this savage act of aggression and invasion and demands the immediate withdrawal of occupationist forces from the territory of Grenada and the assurance of an opportunity for the people of this land to return to their normal, tranquil life.

Our solidarity will always remain with the Grenadian people.

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