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Letter dated 28 March 1984 from the Permanent Representative
of Afghanistan to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the text of a statement issued on 22 March 1984 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan in response to the statement by the President of the United States of America, Ronald Reagan, which was distributed as an official document of the General Assembly and of the Security Council (A/39/140-S/16432 dated 23 March 1984).

I have further the honour to request Your Excellency to arrange for the circulation of this letter and the annex thereto as a document of the General Assembly, under items 68, 69, 124, 125 and 130 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

STATEMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN

The United States President, Ronald Reagan, made another provocative and slanderous statement on 21 March about the so-called "Day of Afghanistan" which has for some years been marked by the U.S. Administration in order to intensify the psychological and provocative war against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan.

It is for the almost six years that the enemies of the people of Afghanistan are desperately striving to stop the victorious march of the revolution in Afghanistan by intensifying the armed aggression and the propaganda war against the DRA in which the United States plays a major role.

The hirelings of imperialism and their masters are angered because all their hostile efforts have been foiled by the people and the heroic armed forces of the DRA. These hirelings are striving in vain to present as worthless the progressive socio-economic transformations which have taken place in Afghanistan and to distort the realities of the situation around Afghanistan. Simultaneously, they attempt to portray the mercenary bandits who are engaged in homicide, plunder and destruction in Afghanistan as the fighters for the cause of freedom and independence.

The pronouncements of the U.S. President on this score have nothing new about them. Yet, it is surprising to see as to how great a demagogic and deceitful effort is made by Reagan to cover the crimes of a handful of executioners and tyrants masquerading as "Mujahiddin" and the "fighters for the cause of freedom."

The only thing accomplished by Reagan was proving once again that the aggressive U.S. imperialism which has

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elevated international terrorism to the level of state policy is the real organizer and director of the undeclared war against Afghanistan.

By propounding once again the reactionary propagandistic claim for allegedly desiring to ensure a life in conditions of independence and freedom for the people of Afghanistan and their right to determine their destiny in which the presence of the limited Soviet contingents in Afghanistan is allegedly an obstruction, Reagan once again resorted to the distortion of the existing realities. But this out-worn gimmick of the U.S. President cannot delude anyone. It is known to all that this limited Soviet contingents have been invited by the legal government of the DRA in order to help our people for defending their freedom and independence against the external dangers and aggressions and against attempts for reimposing on the country a system suitable to imperialism and reaction.

In reality the object of the U.S. Administration in raising this hullabaloo about the so-called Afghanistan problem using all possible means is to divert the attention of the people of the world and the U.S.A. from her aggressive and adventurist policy and neutralize the wave of legitimate protests of the people of the world against the U.S. occupation of Grenada, aggression and shelling on the innocent people of Lebanon, armed provocations against Nicaragua, Cuba and other independent countries of the world.

Another aim pursued by this hue and cry about the so-called Afghanistan problem and other similar pretexts is to justify the U.S. military preparations and war provocations in the Gulf Region for usurping its natural resources.

In regard to the demagogic pronouncements of the U.S. President about supporting the peaceful solution of the situation around Afghanistan it should be said that such pronouncements not only are in complete discord with the practical measures taken by the U.S.A. and the CIA activities in arming and financing the counter-revolution, but are refuted by the latest statements of the U.S. Secretary of State himself on the U.S. support to Afghan counter-revolution.

The U.S. Administration is sparing no efforts to create obstacles on the eve of the visit of the representative of the UN Secretary-General, Diego Cordovez, to this region

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for making efforts to ensure continuation of talks for a political solution of the situation around Afghanistan.

The U.S. Administration is trying, by bringing pressure to bear on Pakistan, to adversely affect the atmosphere of talks.

Reagan encourages the savage and uncultured counter-revolutionaries with such statements to intensify their terroristic and subversive acts against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan. The vivid testimony to this fact is the destruction of the Islamic mosques and the murder of outstanding spiritual figures of our country by these mercenary bandits.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan resolutely condemns the statement delivered by President Reagan as a brazen interference in the internal affairs of independent, democratic and non-aligned Afghanistan aimed at exacerbation of the situation in the region and outside it.

The Afghan people shall resolutely defend the gains of the revolution and will never permit anybody to create hurdles in the way of their revolutionary work and struggle for creating a new society in conformity with revolutionary ideals of the working peoples of our country.

As was said by Babrak Karmal, the General Secretary of the PDPA CC and the President of the Revolutionary Council of the DRA, on the eve of the Afghan new year, "despite the intensification of the undeclared imperialist war against our revolutionary country, and in spite of maniacal attempts of these forces for impeding the process of revolutionary transformations in our country, our people are determined to continue the realization of democratic changes in the interests of the working people under the leadership of the PDPA and for a prosperous future."
