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Letter dated 7 October 1985 from the Acting Permanent Representative
of Viet Nam to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward herewith the text of the statement dated 2 October 1985 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam condemning Israeli acts of aggression and terrorism in Tunis, Tunisia (see annex).

I should be grateful if Your Excellency could have this note and its enclosure circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 33 and 38, and of the Security Council.

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Ambassador
Acting Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Statement dated 2 October 1985 by the spokesman of the Ministry of
Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam condemning Israeli acts of aggression
and terrorism in Tunis, Tunisia

On 1 October 1985, a large number of Israeli aircraft brazenly violated the airspace of the Republic of Tunisia and frenziedly bombed the PLO headquarters in the suburbs of Tunis, causing heavy losses of life and property to the Tunisian and Palestinian peoples.

This is a criminal act of aggression against the independence and sovereignty of the Republic of Tunisia and against the Palestinian patriotic forces in gross contravention of international law and insolently challenging the Arab, African and non-aligned countries and the peace-loving and justice-loving forces throughout the world.

With the connivance of the United States and other reactionary forces, Tel Aviv is further intensifying its policy of aggression and barbarous terrorism against the Palestine liberation movement as well as its policy of threat and pressure designed to prevent support from the Arab countries to the just struggle of the Palestinian people for their fundamental national rights.

The people and Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam most vehemently condemn the above brazen act of aggression committed by the Israeli authorities against the Republic of Tunisia and the barbarous act of terrorism against PLO and firmly demand that they immediately end all acts of aggression and expansion in the Middle East, strictly respect the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Tunisia and of other Arab countries and the legitimate national rights of the Palestinian people as well.

The people and Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam once again reaffirm their resolute support for the struggle of the Tunisian and other Arab countries against Israel's Zionist aggression and expansion. We give our equally firm support to the just struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of PLO for their sacred inalienable national rights, and for a genuine and lasting peace in the Middle East.

