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LETTER DATED 24 JULY 1981 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE  
PERMANENT MISSION OF CUBA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE  
SECRETARY-GENERAL

In our capacity as Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, I have the honour to request you to arrange for the immediate distribution of the attached document concerning the situation in the Middle East currently being discussed in the Security Council.

(Signed) Juan Antonio BLANCO-GIL  
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Annex

Press release

Communiqué of the Emergency Meeting of the Co-ordinating Bureau  
of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, 21 July 1981

The Co-ordinating Bureau held an emergency meeting on 21 July 1981 to consider the grave developments taking place in Lebanon as a consequence of the barbaric Israeli attacks which have been directed most recently against Beirut and areas in southern Lebanon, resulting in the loss of hundreds of civilians lives, including those of women and children.

These brutal attacks, including the policy of repeated pre-emptive strikes, have brought to a new level the systematic policy of aggression being perpetrated by Israel against the Arab States and its organized efforts at the extermination of the Palestinian people.

The Co-ordinating Bureau strongly condemned the latest series of actions by Israeli forces, which continue unabated, despite the repeated calls of the international community as constituting yet another brazen violation of international law and civilized behaviour and a direct infringement on the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of Lebanon, as well as a serious threat to international peace and security.

The Co-ordinating Bureau demanded an immediate halt to these acts of aggression and the cessation of all such acts of violence and of military operations against Lebanon and those directed against the Palestinian people. It further called upon the Security Council, in the face of the continued aggression and defiance by Israel of the resolutions of the Security Council and the General Assembly, to consider imposition of the relevant enforcement measures under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter.

The Co-ordinating Bureau further called upon the member States of the Non-Aligned Movement to reiterate individually and collectively their commitment relating to the implementation of the relevant provisions of Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter, should the Security Council fail to impose mandatory sanctions against Israel as an aggressor.

The Co-ordinating Bureau emphasized that the non-aligned countries cannot and will not tolerate this dramatic escalation of Israel's policy of continued aggression and expressed their determination to respond effectively to this grave threat in order to uphold the fundamental principles of international law and those of the United Nations Charter. The Co-ordinating Bureau made an urgent appeal to all States to joint the non-aligned countries in this commitment.

The Co-ordinating Bureau decided that the non-aligned countries would closely follow developments in the area, as well as the consideration of this question in the Security Council and its outcome, with a view to co-ordinating their actions in full solidarity with Lebanon and the Palestinian people.

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