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LETTER DATED 14 MARCH 1973 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions of my Government, I have the honour to refer to the letter addressed to you on 12 March 1973 by the Permanent Representative of Egypt (S/10902) and to state the following:

The tragic incident with the Libyan airliner on 21 February 1973 has been discussed in several professionally competent international organs. By decision of the Government of Israel, these organs are receiving and will continue to receive all the necessary data from the Israel authorities.

It is evident that Egypt's only interest in the matter is to distort and exploit the incident for purposes of continued propaganda warfare against Israel and that Egypt has no intention to co-operate in arrangements and procedures that would avert such disasters in the future. Thus, the Egyptian Government has already summarily rejected Israel's proposal to establish means of communication for emergency situations such as the one that occurred in the case of the Libyan aircraft. At the same time, Egypt continues to extend unreserved support to the murderous activities of Arab terror organizations which reached a new low point of barbarism in the Khartoum killings.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Yosef TEKOAH  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative