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OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION

WITHDRAWAL OF UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER FOREIGN FORCES OCCUPYING
SOUTH KOREA UNDER THE FLAG OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Letter dated 15 August 1969 from the representatives of Algeria,
Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cambodia,
Congo (Brazzaville), Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Mongolia,
Poland, Syria, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

On the instructions of our Governments, we request you to include in the provisional agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly as a separate item the question entitled:

"Withdrawal of United States and all other foreign forces occupying South Korea under the flag of the United Nations".

An explanatory memorandum in accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure is forwarded herewith.

We request you, Mr. Secretary-General, to take measures for the distribution of this material as an official document of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

As is known, for a number of years serious concern of world public opinion, of all democratic and peace-loving forces and of the United Nations has been caused by the tense situation in the region of Korea. The essence of the problem lies in the fact that the Korean nation, against the clearly expressed will of the Korean people for the unification of the country, still remains divided as a result of gross interference from outside. The responsibility for this abnormal situation rests first of all with the United States of America, whose armed forces continue to occupy South Korea.

The continuation of the military occupation of South Korea and the mounting of tension in this region, the unceasing aggression of the United States in Viet-Nam, the continuing aggressive actions of Israel, supported by certain Powers, against Arab States are part of the general course of the policy directed against peoples which have won political independence or are waging a struggle for their national liberation.

The United States, having occupied South Korea, transformed it into a military spring-board in this area of the world and the Seoul puppet clique into an accomplice and an obedient tool of their schemes and actions. The puppet clique of Seoul sent more than 50,000 South Korean mercenaries to South Viet-Nam where they, together with other accomplices of the United States in this aggression, are taking part in the war against the Viet-Nameese people.

The recent events in this region - the increase of the military preparations and the continuation of provocative actions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea - clearly indicate what danger is created by the presence of United States and other foreign troops in South Korea, how important it is to achieve the peaceful settlement in Korea.

The Korean people should be given the possibility to decide their internal affairs by themselves without interference from outside. In this regard, the efforts of the Korean people find understanding and support from all peace-loving forces.

As is known, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in official statements, have repeatedly emphasized that, despite the increasing

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provocations from the United States, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea invariably adheres to its proposals aimed at the maintenance of peace in Korea, at the peaceful unification of Korea on the democratic basis.

Since in the prevailing situation the main task is to eliminate any foreign interference in the domestic affairs of the Korean people, to ensure for the Koreans the possibility to decide their affairs by themselves, the Governments of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria, the People's Republic of Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of the Congo, the Republic of Cuba, the Hungarian People's Republic, the Mongolian People's Republic, the Polish People's Republic, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics request the inclusion in the agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, as a separate item the question entitled: "Withdrawal of United States and all other foreign forces occupying South Korea under the flag of the United Nations".

Submitting this question for consideration by the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session, the Governments of Algeria, Bulgaria, the Byelorussian SSR, Czechoslovakia, Cambodia, the Congo (Brazzaville), Cuba, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, Syria, the Ukrainian SSR and the USSR express the hope that the States Members of the United Nations will support this proposal and will approach its consideration with understanding.

The Governments of the States requesting the inclusion of this question in the agenda of the General Assembly proceed also from the fact that the withdrawal of all foreign forces from South Korea corresponds with the interests and aspirations not only of the Korean people but of other peoples defending their right for freedom and independence. This just demand of the Korean people corresponds completely with the lofty purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter.
