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OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

DATED 8 FEBRUARY 1950

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has the honour to communicate to the Members of the United Nations the attached communication from the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics dated 8 February 1950.

Representative of the  
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics  
to the United Nations  
680 Park Avenue  
New York 21, N. Y.

8 February 1950

Sir,

In view of the fact that the statement made by the representatives of the United States, United Kingdom, France and Canada in the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, which you have circulated, contains an incorrect account of what actually took place on 19 January 1950 at the fourteenth meeting of the Consultations of the permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission and hence fails to give a correct picture of the situation that has arisen, the USSR delegation deems it essential to state the following:

The assertion contained in the statement by the representatives of the United States, United Kingdom, France and Canada to the effect that important and serious Consultations on the atomic question "have been interrupted in consequence of the position taken up by the representative of the Soviet Union" is incorrect and misrepresents the position of the Soviet delegation on these questions. As is clear from the attached texts (enclosures Nos. 1 and 2) of the statements made by the USSR representative at the meeting of the Consultations of the permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission on 19 January 1950, what actually happened was as follows. The USSR representative supported the request made by the Central People's Government of the Chinese People's Republic for the exclusion from the organs of the United Nations of the representatives of the Kuomintang Group who, as stated by the Central People's Government of the Chinese People's Republic, do not represent China and the Chinese people. The USSR representative accordingly proposed that the representative of the Kuomintang Group be excluded from membership of the Consultative Conference of the permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission as being a person who did not represent China, and further stated that the representative of the USSR would not take part in the Consultations so long as the representative of the Kuomintang Group participated in them.

The representatives of the United States, United Kingdom, France and Canada rejected this proposal by the Soviet representative, and consequently the  
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representative of the USSR was compelled to leave the Consultative Conference after making an appropriate declaration (enclosure No. 2).

Thus, the Consultations of the permanent members of the Atomic Energy Commission were interrupted not "in consequence of the position taken up by the representative of the Soviet Union" as the representatives of the United States, United Kingdom, France and Canada wrongly endeavour to make out in their statement, but in consequence of the position taken up by the representatives of the four countries mentioned who refused to remove from membership of the Consultative Conference on the atomic question the representative of the Kuomintang Group who, despite the official statements and request of the Central People's Government of the Chinese People's Republic, is endeavouring to prolong his illegal presence in the said Consultative Conference, relying on the support of the representatives of the Governments of the United States, United Kingdom, France and Canada.

In informing you of the foregoing, I would ask you, Mr. Secretary-General, to circulate this letter from the Soviet Delegation, together with the attached statements by the USSR representative, to all Members of the United Nations for information.

I have the honour to be etc.

(signed) Y. Malik

His Excellency, Mr. Trygve Lie,  
Secretary-General,  
United Nations,  
Lake Success, New York.

STATEMENT BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS  
AT THE CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SIX PERMANENT  
MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION ON 19 JANUARY 1950

Before proceeding to consider the question of approving the agenda for today's Consultative Conference and to examine the questions on that agenda, I deem it essential to make the following statement:

As is known, the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China addressed communications to the United Nations on 18 November 1949 and 8 January 1950 stating that it did not recognize the right of the representatives of the Kuomintang Group in the organs of the United Nations to represent China and to speak in the United Nations in the name of the Chinese people, that it considered the presence of those representatives in the United Nations organs to be unlawful, and that it insisted on their exclusion from those organs.

The USSR delegation to the United Nations and the USSR representatives in various organs of the United Nations have already informed the United Nations that the USSR delegation supports the above-mentioned communications of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, that it does not recognize the representatives of the Kuomintang Group in the organs of the United Nations as representatives of China and the Chinese people, that it considers their presence in the United Nations to be unlawful, and that it insists upon their exclusion from these organs.

Accordingly, I, as representative of the USSR in the Consultative Conferences of the six permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission deem it essential to state that the USSR delegation does not regard the representative of the Kuomintang Group in these Consultative Conferences as the representative of China and insists on his exclusion from membership of these Conferences.

At the same time I am authorized to state that the representative of the USSR will not take part in the consultations of the representatives of the six permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission so long as the representative of the Kuomintang Group participates in them.

In view of the foregoing I make the following formal proposal:

"The Consultative Conference of the representatives of the six permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission decides:

"To exclude from its membership the representative of the Kuomintang Group."

/Enclosure No. 2



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For the reasons I have already given the representative of the USSR will not take part in the consultations of the representatives of the six permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission so long as the representative of the Kuomintang Group participates in them.

I, as the representative of the USSR, am also authorized to state that the USSR will not recognize as lawful any recommendation or decision adopted by the Consultative Conferences of the representatives of the six permanent members of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission with the participation of the representative of the Kuomintang Group, and will pay no attention to such decisions or recommendations.

In view of the foregoing and also of the rejection by the representatives in the Consultative Conference of the countries of the Anglo-American bloc and of France of the USSR representative's proposal for the exclusion of the representative of the Kuomintang Group from membership in the Consultative Conferences on atomic energy I, as the representative of the USSR, do now withdraw from the Consultative Conference.

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