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Note verbale dated 19 May 1980 from the Permanent Mission of Afghanistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to inform him that Mr. Gholam Mohammad Hakim, who is assigned to be a member of the Afghan Mission to the United Nations, has applied to the United States Consulate in Frankfurt for a visa to enter the United States, but the Consulate in Frankfurt has refused to issue Mr. Hakim the required visa pending instructions from Washington.

On some other previous occasions some United States missions abroad had taken the same discriminatory measures with regard to the entry of Afghan officials such as diplomatic members of the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan to the United Nations. This Mission, in a previous note (A/35/232), expressed its deep concern about the above-mentioned measures to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and requested him to take appropriate steps to avoid the continuity of such actions by the United States authorities, the representatives of the host country of the United Nations.

However, to our surprise and regret the United States authorities still continue to create obstacles in the way of Afghan officials travelling to New York for the assumption of their duties in the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan to the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistsn to the United Nations once again has the honour to request the Secretary-General of the United Nations to take appropriate measures in order to correct this inadmissible situation.

The Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan to the United Nations requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to have this note circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 110 of the preliminary list.

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