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Letter dated 19 May 1976 from the Permanent Representative of Bulgaria  
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the statement of the Bulgarian Government on the Middle East dated 11 May 1976.

I shall be much obliged if you would circulate the text of this statement as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 28 of the preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the thirty-first session, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Guero GROZEV  
Deputy Foreign Minister  
Permanent Representative of  
Bulgaria to the United Nations

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ANNEX

Statement of the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria

The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, having considered with particular attention the statement of the Soviet Government dated 28 April 1976 (A/31/84-S/12063), highly appraises its new initiative for a political settlement of the conflict in the Middle East which is dangerous for world peace. In expressing its full agreement with the analysis and assessment of the situation in this region, contained in the statement, the Bulgarian Government supports unreservedly the proposals, formulated therein, for the solution of the Middle East crisis.

The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria is deeply convinced that a just and lasting settlement of the Middle East conflict can be achieved only by solving the three problems, linked organically with each other, viz:

- withdrawal of the Israeli troops from all Arab territories occupied as a result of the aggression of Israel in 1967;
- fulfilling the legitimate national demands of the Arab people of Palestine to create a State of their own;
- international guarantees for the security and inviolability of frontiers of all States in the Middle East, for their right to independent existence and development.

The Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria has always maintained the stand that a successful solution to these fundamental problems could be reached at the Geneva Peace Conference on the Middle East with the participation of all parties directly interested, including the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Faithful to its peace-loving foreign policy of principle the People's Republic of Bulgaria will continue to render full support to the struggle of the Arab peoples for the elimination of the consequences of the Israeli aggression and to give its contribution to the achievement of a just and lasting political settlement of the conflict in the Middle East.

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