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LETTER DATED 4 NOVEMBER 1999 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have been instructed by my Government to protest the decision of the Secretary-General's Special Representative in Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia, to adopt regulation 1999/10 rescinding the implementation of tenancy and property laws of the Republic of Serbia in that Serbian province, regulation 1999/11 by which the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) takes over the operation of the payment transaction service, regulation 1999/12 establishing a separate post, telephone and telegraph (PTT) company and regulation 1999/13 approving the establishment of non-banking microfinancial institutions. The adoption of these regulations is the most recent example of flagrant violations of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 12 June 1999.

Regulation 1999/10 rescinding the implementation of tenancy and property laws of the Republic of Serbia puts additional pressure on Serbs and other non-Albanians of Kosovo and Metohija to sell their property and is a function of the continued ethnic cleansing of the non-Albanian population of Kosovo and Metohija. Regulation 1999/11, by which UNMIK takes over the operation of the payment transaction service, suspends in an unlawful way the exclusive competency of the sovereign State organs of the Republic of Serbia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Regulation 1999/12 establishing a separate PTT company is illegal because the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, as a State member of the international PTT organization and the International Telecommunication Union, is the only competent entity to carry out telecommunications in its territory.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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