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LETTER DATED 29 OCTOBER 1975 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations has the honour to refer to a letter dated 17 October 1975 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to Your Excellency, which was circulated as Security Council document S/11855, and to state the following:

In its letter dated 11 July 1975 (Security Council document S/11760), the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany stated that on the basis of the sovereign equality of States it is an inherent right of every State Member of the United Nations to choose its designation and to decide the form in which it should be used in international communication. This includes the rendering of that designation in the official languages of the United Nations. The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany fully maintains this view.

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany requests the circulation of this letter as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Baron Rüdiger von WECHMAR
Permanent Representative of the
Federal Republic of Germany
to the United Nations