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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING
GREEK FRONTIER INCIDENTS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL DATED
15 SEPTEMBER 1947 AND ENCLOSED TELEGRAM FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
SUBSIDIARY GROUP

15 September 1947

Sir:

I have the honour to transmit, for the information of the Members of the Security Council, a telegram from the Chairman of the Subsidiary Group, received on 15 September 1947, pertaining to the exchange of telegrams between the Bulgarian Government and the Subsidiary Group, concerning the investigation of the alleged incidents on the Greco-Bulgarian border.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

(Signed) E. de Holte Castello
Chairman

Commission of Investigation Concerning
Greek Frontier Incidents

H. E. Mr. Andrei A. Gromyko,
President of the Security Council,
Lake Success.

COMMISSION OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING GREEK FRONTIER INCIDENTS

TELEGRAM FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SUBSIDIARY GROUP TO
THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION RECEIVED 15 SEPTEMBER 1947

Have honour inform you 13 September received detailed reply from Bulgarian Government re SC CCM 253, to which provisional reply had been received on 27 August, see SC CCM 261. In view of length of text, Group decided cable introductory and final paragraphs in extenso and forwarding full text by air.

Introductory paragraph follows (original text in French):

"The Bulgarian Government, having taken cognizance of the documents submitted through your intermediary by the Hellenic Government in connection with the four alleged incidents dealt with in your telegram No. 804/797/19/2045, instructed the competent Bulgarian authorities to carry out an investigation regarding them.

"Having examined the reports of these authorities, and on the basis of the facts contained therein, the Bulgarian Government is able to deny categorically the accusations brought against Bulgaria by the Greek Government."

Final paragraph follows (original text in French):

"In view of the above, the Bulgarian Government thinks it unnecessary to pay any attention to these Greek accusations regarding the four alleged incidents; especially as, even in the case of the genuine violations of the Bulgarian frontier committed by the Greek authorities, regarding which the Bulgarian Government, in order to put an end to these violations, has more than once approached the Security Council and the Hellenic Government through the Allied Control Commission in Bulgaria, no action has yet been taken. The Subsidiary Group at Salonika, in its turn, has shown no interest in this matter and has taken no action. In these circumstances the Bulgarian Government does not feel able to give any assistance to the Subsidiary Group at Salonika, since the latter's unilateral acts merely aid and encourage the Hellenic Government in its efforts to invent non-existent frontier incidents, in order to compromise Bulgaria before

international public opinion and distract the whole world's attention from the real causes of the civil war in Greece."

Louis Pannier
Chairman
Subsidiary Group

