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THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF KOREA ADDRESSED TO THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL

PYONG-YANG, 29 AUGUST 1950

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO INFORM YOU OF THE FOLLOWING. AT ABOUT 2:20 A.M. ON
29 AUGUST SEVERAL AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED A KOREAN HOSPITAL SITUATED IN THE
DISTRICT CENTRE OF CHUNGHWA (?), 25 KILOMETRES FROM THE TOWN OF PYONGYANG. THE
AIRCRAFT DROPPED SIX BOMBS ON THE HOSPITAL, ONE OF WHICH FELL ON ONE OF THE
HOSPITAL BUILDINGS. AS A RESULT OF THIS BOMBING THREE PEOPLE WERE KILLED, ONE
BUILDING WAS DESTROYED AND (?) EXTENSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED TO OTHER HOSPITAL
BUILDINGS. IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT RED CROSS SIGNS WERE CLEARLY MARKED
ON THE ROOFS OF THE HOSPITAL AND OF THE HOSPITAL GROUNDS BESIDE THE BUILDINGS.
AMERICAN AIRCRAFT HAD FLOWN OVER THE HOSPITAL SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE DAYTIME
AND UNDOUBTEDLY KNEW EXACTLY OF ITS POSITION. THUS, ALTHOUGH THE BOMBING OF
THE HOSPITAL TOOK PLACE AT NIGHT, THERE IS EVERY REASON TO SUPPOSE THAT IT WAS
A CASE OF DELIBERATE BOMBING OF HOSPITAL INSTITUTIONS. ON BEHALF OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF KOREA I VIGOROUSLY PROTEST
AGAINST THIS FRESH ATROCITY, WHICH IS A GROSS VIOLATION OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION,
COMMITTED BY THE AMERICAN INTERVENTIONISTS, AND I ASK YOU TO TAKE THE NECESSARY
STEPS TO PUT A STOP TO SUCH CRIMINAL ACTS BY THE AMERICAN ARMED FORCES IN KOREA.

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MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF KOREA
