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CABLEGRAM DATED 10 SEPTEMBER 1950 FROM THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL CONCERNING THE COMPLAINT OF BOMBING BY AIR FORCES OF THE TERRITORY OF CHINA

PEKING, 10 SEPTEMBER 1950

ON 31 AUGUST 1950 THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL ADOPTED ON ITS AGENDA THE ACCUSATION OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AGAINST THE INVASION BY THE MILITARY AIRPLANES OF THE UNITED STATES AGGRESSION FORCES IN KOREA, OF THE TERRITORIAL AIR OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, AND BY STRAFING, KILLED AND WOUNDED CHINESE PEOPLE AND DAMAGED CHINESE PROPERTIES. THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA BEING THE SOLE LEGAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTING THE CHINESE PEOPLE, AND AT THE SAME TIME INITIATOR OF THE PROPOSAL AND ACCUSER IN THIS CASE, HAS THE RIGHT AND NECESSITY TO SEND ITS DELEGATION TO ATTEND AND JOIN THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL. ON BEHALF OF THE CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, I HEREBY RAISE THE DEMAND BEFORE THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL THAT WHEN THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS PROCEEDING WITH THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ITEM ON THE AGENDA, THERE MUST BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA PRESENT, STATING HIS CASE AND PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION. THIS IS A QUESTION THAT SHOULD BE SETTLED FIRST ON PROCEDURE. SHOULD THE SECURITY COUNCIL PROCEED WITH THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ITEM ON THE AGENDA WITHOUT THE ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION IN DISCUSSION OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, ALL ITS RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED WILL BE ILLEGAL, AND THEREFORE NULL AND VOID.

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CENTRAL PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT OF THE
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