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Letter dated 11 January 1972 from the Permanent Representative of
China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Attached herewith is a copy of the news release of China's Hsinhua News Agency, dated 9 January 1972, announcing the successful conduct of a new nuclear test by China on 7 January and reiterating the Chinese Government's stand for the complete prohibition and thorough destruction of nuclear weapons. I would request you kindly to arrange for the circulation of this news release as an official document of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

(Signed) HUANG Hua
Permanent Representative of the
People's Republic of China
to the United Nations

China successfully conducts a new nuclear test

Peking, 9 January 1972 (Hsinhua) - China conducted a new nuclear test at 1500 hours (Peking time) on 7 January 1972. The Chinese Government declares once again that the conducting of necessary and limited nuclear tests by China is for the purpose of breaking the nuclear monopoly and nuclear blackmail by the two super-Powers. At no time and under no circumstances will China be the first to use nuclear weapons. The Chinese Government has all along stood for the convening of a world conference to discuss the question of complete prohibition and thorough destruction of nuclear weapons and, as the first step, to reach a solemn agreement on the non-use of nuclear weapons by all nuclear countries at any time and under any circumstances. The Chinese Government and people are willing to strive for this goal together with the other peoples and peace-loving countries in the world.

