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SECURITY COUNCIL, WITH A COPY TO THE SECRETARY-
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Mr. President,

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics requests that the Security Council should be convened urgently to examine the question of aggressive acts by the Air Force of the United States of America against the Soviet Union, creating a threat to universal peace. The need for immediate examination of this question arises from the fact that military aircraft of the United States of America have repeatedly encroached upon the airspace of the USSR and that the Government of the United States of America has declared these actions on its part which violate the frontiers of other sovereign States to be its State policy. Under the United Nations Charter the Security Council bears the main responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security. In view of the foregoing, the Soviet Government expects that the Security Council will urgently consider the question referred to above and will take the necessary measures to halt the unheard-of provocative actions of the United States of America which represent a threat to the cause of peace. An explanatory memorandum is being sent to you in amplification.

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