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LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR A.A. GROMYKO TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL DATED 3 APRIL 19 Official Translation

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Sir,

In reply to your letter of 29. March, in which you, under instructions from the President of the Security Council, request information concerning the state of the negotiations between the Soviet and Iranian Governments and, in particular, whether the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Iran 1s conditional upon the conclusion of an agreement on other matters between the two Governments, I have the honour on behalf of my Government to inform you as follows:

These negotiations have already led to an understanding regarding the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Iran; this withdrawal was renewed on 24 March last and will be completed within one and a half months, as I inform the Security Council officially at the meeting of 26. March last.

Thus, the question regarding the evacuation of the Soviet troops which was brought before the Sc urity Council on 18. March by the Iranian Government was settled by the understanding reached between the Soviet and Iranian Governments.

As regards the other questions, they are not connected with the question of the withdrawal of Soviet troops.

It is well known that the question of an oil concession or of a mixed joint stock company arose in 1944 independently of the question of the evacuation of the Soviet troops.

Yours respectfully,

Signed.

Andrei A. Gromyko. Ambassador.

His Excellency,
Mr. Trygve Lie,
Secretary General of
the United Nations.

