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Note verbale dated 30 January 1969 from the Permanent
Mission of Mongolia to the United Nations addressed
to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Mongolian People's Republic presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to the letters addressed to him on 21 December 1968 by the Permanent Representatives of France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, and circulated as official documents of the General Assembly (A/7480, A/7481 and A/7482), deems it necessary to state the following.

The representatives of the three Western Powers in their letters make a new attempt to question the international status of the German Democratic Republic by repeating their preposterous allegations that only the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany is entitled to represent the entire German people in international affairs.

The irrefutable fact is that there are two German States on German soil, namely, the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany, each

of which exercises the functions inherent in a sovereign State including those in the field of international relations. No distorted statements and not even non-recognition of the German Democratic Republic by certain States can impugn this historic reality. Nor can they affect the existence of the German Democratic Republic as a sovereign and independent State.

It should be further emphasized that the German Democratic Republic, unlike the Federal Republic of Germany, consistently pursues a peace-loving policy, actively comes out in support of all United Nations positive action aimed at strengthening world peace and security on such vital issues as disarmament, decolonization, apartheid etc.

It is the considered view of the Government of the Mongolian People's Republic that the aforesaid position of the Western Powers amounts to the encouragement of the ruling circles in the Federal Republic of Germany in their design to annex the German Democratic Republic and, in the long run, in their revanchist claims against other socialist countries and peace-loving States in Europe.

The Permanent Mission of the Mongolian People's Republic to the United Nations would be grateful if this note could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly.
