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Letter dated 28 April 1969 from the Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to the letters dated 3 and 31 March 1969 addressed to you 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 under the symbols A/7521 and A/7541, I have the honour to draw your attention to the fact that the above letters contain discriminating statements concerning the German Democratic Republic. The representatives of the three Western Powers are again asserting that there is only one German State and Government qualified to speak on behalf of the German people in international affairs.

The Government of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic considers it necessary to state that since the Second World War there exist two German States and each of them performs the functions proper to a sovereign State in international and other affairs.

The German Democratic Republic is a sovereign and independent State and its Government is the only one entitled to represent the German Democratic Republic in international relations.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as an official document of the General Assembly.

(Signed) Dr. Zdenek CERNIK
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to the United Nations