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REQUEST FOR THE INCLUSION OF AN ITEM IN THE PROVISIONAL
AGENDA OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

INCLUSION OF CHINESE AMONG THE WORKING LANGUAGES OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Letter dated 19 July 1973 from the Permanent Representative of China
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to request you to include in the provisional agenda of the twenty-eighth session of the General Assembly an item entitled "Inclusion of Chinese among the working languages of the General Assembly and the Security Council".

An explanatory memorandum is attached to this letter.

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

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

As is known to all, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish are the five official languages of the United Nations. With the exception of Chinese, all four languages have been made working languages of the General Assembly and the Security Council. In order to enhance the efficiency of the work of the United Nations, Chinese should have the same status as English, French, Russian and Spanish and be included among the working languages of the General Assembly and the Security Council. It is, therefore, requested that the item entitled "Inclusion of Chinese among the working languages of the General Assembly and the Security Council" be included in the provisional agenda of the twenty-eighth session of the General Assembly.
