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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FEDERAL PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ADDRESSED TO
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

New York, 15 October 1951

I have the honour to enclose the text of a note communicated on 10 October 1951 by the Legation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia in Budapest to the Legation of the People's Republic of Albania regarding the frontier incident caused by the Albanian authorities on the Yugoslav-Albanian border on 2 October 1951, and in the course of which a Yugoslav frontier guard was killed.

May I request that the text of this note be circulated among Member States.

(Signed) Ales BEBIER
Permanent Representative of the Federal
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United Nations

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Note
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Note dated 10 October 1951 from the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia to the Government of the People's Republic of Albania

The Legation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia in Hungary, on behalf of and under instructions from its Government, communicates to the Legation of the People's Republic of Albania the following:

At 01:00 hours, 2 October 1951, 10 kilometres south-west of Andrijevica, in the sector of point 2175, at the place called Ravni, 500 metres inside Yugoslav territory, a group of four armed persons coming from Albania encountered a Yugoslav frontier patrol consisting of two soldiers, and opened fire on the patrol from submachine-guns and rifles, firing approximately twenty-five shots. The Yugoslav frontier guard Dujo Puharic, born on 12 October 1928 at the village of Puharici, district Makarska, was killed by the armed group. Taking advantage of the darkness, the armed group succeeded in withdrawing after the incident.

The Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia notes that this grave crime committed by the Albanian authorities is a continuation of the hostile and non-peace-loving policy of the Albanian Government towards the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, a policy which is becoming increasingly manifest of late, confirming the fact that the Albanian Government aims at a further straining of relations between the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and the People's Republic of Albania. The Albanian frontier and other authorities have lately been perpetrating increasingly serious and aggressive actions along the Yugoslav-Albanian frontier including the killing of frontier guards, as recent cases and the most recent case of Puharic have shown.

The Legation of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, under instructions from its Government, protests most vigorously against the murder of the Yugoslav frontier guard Puharic and against the brutal violation of the Yugoslav territory by the Albanian authorities, and demands that the Albanian Government discontinue the organizing and provoking of frontier incidents along the Yugoslav-Albanian border. At the same time, the Legation requests the Albanian Government to order
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investigation of the case, punish the perpetrators of this crime, and inform the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia thereon, as well as to pay an indemnity of 500,000 dinars to the family of the slain Yugoslav frontier guard.
