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SECURITY COUNCIL  
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Letter dated 27 November 1979 from the Permanent Representative of  
the German Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to  
the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a letter from the President of the National Council of the National Front of the German Democratic Republic.

In view of the importance of this letter, I kindly request you to have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 38, 45 and 46, and of the Security Council.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Peter FLORIN  
Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Permanent Representative of the  
German Democratic Republic  
to the United Nations

ANNEX

Letter dated 26 November 1979 from the President of the  
National Council of the National Front of the German  
Democratic Republic to the Secretary-General

Mindful of the high responsibility which in particular the peoples of Europe have for peace and security on that continent, the National Council of the National Front of the German Democratic Republic on 26 October 1979 called upon the citizens of the German Democratic Republic to endorse with their signatures, the will that the promising results achieved through the policy of détente should not be reversed by an intensified arms race but deepened by steps in the field of disarmament.

This appeal followed the proposals submitted by the General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Leonid Brezhnev - in our capital, Berlin - which are known the world over and meet with the interests of all peoples. The proposals submitted correspond to what has been demanded in the declaration of support on the part of the German Democratic Republic which, inter alia, states: "No arms race but continuation of détente." It testifies to the will for peace of the citizens of our State that 13,115,640 men, women and young people of different trades and professions, of varied creeds and religious persuasions, manifested with their signatures: We need peace and we want peace for us and for all peoples; we advocate negotiations on disarmament, and we reject all designs to build up arms potentials.

I feel bound to bring to your notice the declaration of support of the citizens of the German Democratic Republic which is identical with the declared main purpose of the United Nations, namely to safeguard peace.

(Signed) Erich CORRENS

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APPENDIX

Declaration of support of the German Democratic Republic

Berlin, October 1979

1. For our country, for all peoples and States, answers must be found to matters of enormous import.
2. From Berlin, Leonid Brezhnev put forward a great initiative. In agreement with the German Democratic Republic and the other States Parties to the Warsaw Treaty, the Soviet Union decreases unilaterally its armed forces in Central Europe. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is prepared to reduce the number of its medium-range missiles in its western areas provided that no additional American medium-range missiles are deployed by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in Western Europe.
3. When the safeguarding of peace is at stake, there must be no hesitation. We did not build up our country from ruins to let it fall into ashes again. What we have created in hard work, must not be destroyed again. We support Leonid Brezhnev's peace initiative. We need reason and goodwill everywhere, not armament mania and war policy.
4. We demand: No additional nuclear missiles in Western Europe but, instead, steps towards disarmament. No arms race, but continuation of détente.

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