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Sat. 13 June	LV: New York (JFK) ARR: Paris (Hotel Sofitel)	1300 2245	-4 +2	AF 002	SSC	0
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Tues. 16 June	LV: Berlin (GDR) ARR: Vienna (Hilton Hotel)	1450 1705	+2 +2	OS 446	DC9	Prague 1
Wed. 17 June	Vienna					
Thur. 18 June	LV: Vienna ARR: Geneva (Hotel Intercontinental)	1040 1210	+2 +2	OS 211	DC9	0
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Sat. 27 June	Kiev (Government House)		+4			
Sun. 28 June	LV: Kiev ARR: Moscow (Government House)	PM	+4	USSR Govment Aircraft		
Mon. 29 June	Moscow					
Tues. 30 June	Moscow					
Wed. 1 July	LV: Moscow ARR: New York (JFK)	0855 1315	+4 -4	PA 65 (Transfer to 747 in F'furt)	727 747	Frankfurt 1

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13 June - 1 July, 1987

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Mrs. Pérez de Cuéllar

- \* Mr. Diego Cordovez  
Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs
- \*\* Mr. Marrack Goulding  
Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs
- \*\*\* Mr. Vasiliy S. Safronchuk  
Under-Secretary-General, Department of Political  
and Security Council Affairs
- + Mr. Eugeniusz Wyzner  
Under-Secretary-General, Conference Services  
and Special Assignments
- ++ Mr. Vladimir Kolesnikov  
Special Assistant to the Secretary-General
- Mr. Giandomenico Picco  
Principal Officer
- Mr. John Hrusovsky  
Chief Operations Officer
- Ms. Yanick Saint-Victor  
Secretary to the Secretary-General
- Mr. Nicholas Panzarino  
Operations Officer

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- \* Mr. Cordovez will join the Secretary-General's party in Geneva for departure to Moscow
  - \*\* Mr. Goulding will join the Secretary-General's party in Kiev
  - \*\*\* Mr. Safronchuk will join the Secretary-General's party in Moscow
  - + Mr. Wyzner will join Secretary-General's party in Amsterdam and remain with the party until the conclusion of the visit to Berlin (GDK).
  - ++ Mr. Kolesnikov will join the Secretary-General's party in Amsterdam and remain with the party until the conclusion of the visit to Berlin (GDK). He will rejoin the Secretary-General's party in Moscow and will remain with the party until the conclusion of the visit to Minsk and Kiev.

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NOTES OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S MEETING  
WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRESIDUM OF SUPREME SOVIET  
OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR

held in Minsk  
on 25 June 1987 at 09.30 hours

Present:

The Secretary-General  
Mr. Vasily Safronchuk  
Mr. Diego Cordovez  
Mr. Vladimir Kolesnikov  
Mr. Giandomenico Picco

H.E. Mr. G.S. Tarazevich, Chairman  
of Presidium of Supreme Soviet  
of the Byelorussian SSR  
Mr. Peceamikov, member, Supreme Soviet  
Mr. Kabage, deputy chairman, chief economist  
Mr. Sidevievena  
Mr. Mikulich, vice-president, Presidium  
H.E. Mr. Lev I. Maksimov, Permanent  
Representative of the BSSR to the UN

The Chairman expressed warm words of welcome to the  
Secretary-General. He congratulated the Secretary-General on his  
re-election and praised him for his work.

"Your visit coincides with two events in the Republic.  
Yesterday was the anniversary of victory and tomorrow will mark the  
42nd anniversary of the signing of the UN Charter. We were one of  
the founding countries of the UN. The goals of the Charter are  
supported by all progressive people. Peace and security are close to  
the heart of our people. We know the meaning of war and its  
consequences. During the last war the Republic lost half of its  
assets. 2.5 million were killed. The city was destroyed and had only  
40.000 inhabitants. Today it has 1.5 million. We received assistance  
from all the Republics. Compared with the pre-war period its  
industry was now 40 times as strong. Foreign trade: 105 ky and 700  
lit per capita. Science and higher education Out of 20 million  
population 4 million were students. By the year 2000 every family  
will have its own apartment or house. In 1970 there were 12 square  
meters per person, today 16.6. There were however problems, mainly  
caused by the slowdown of social and economic developments in the  
late 70's and early 80's. He did not want to dwell upon the reasons.  
From 1966-70 industry increased its output by more than 12%  
annually. From 1971-79 it was 10% annually which was quite good. Then  
there was a downtrend to 7% and only 5% in 1981-85. This of course  
also happened elsewhere. To overcome these problems it was necessary  
to explore the full potential and to attain a democratization of

The Chairman thanked the Secretary-General for his words concerning the role of the Republic. He then commented on the need for competent and efficient officers in the following way:

"In our Republic authority and prestige are important. Of course much depends on the member states. In recent local elections there was a candidate for representation of a district covering different collective farms. The candidate was supported by the party. However, there was a pre-electoral meeting at which another candidate was put forward. The whole meeting supported the new nomination. However, the person had asked not to be nominated. It was decided to nominate a third candidate. This referred to what is well deserved authority.

We will work for the enhancement of authority of the UN".



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Dear Mr. Ambassador,

Enclosed for your information are copies of cables sent by the Secretary-General upon his return to New York after his recent visit to the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic.

I should like to take this opportunity to express, on behalf of all the members of the delegation accompanying the Secretary-General, sincere appreciation for the excellent arrangements made for this interesting and fruitful visit.

Please accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Virendra Dayal  
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency  
Mr. Lev I. Maksimov  
Permanent Representative of the  
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic  
to the United Nations  
New York

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H.E. MR. GEORGY STANISLAVOVICH TARAZEVICH  
PRESIDENT OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET  
OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC  
MINSK (BYELORUSSIAN SSR)

EXCELLENCY,

UPON MY RETURN TO UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, I  
SHOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE KIND HOSPITALITY EXTENDED TO  
MYSELF AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF MY DELEGATION DURING MY RECENT  
VISIT TO THE BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

I VERY MUCH APPRECIATED YOUR EFFORTS TO MAKE THIS A  
MOST SUCCESSFUL VISIT AND THE DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE WERE  
MOST INTERESTING AND REWARDING. I AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR THE  
STRONG SUPPORT OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC  
FOR THE ENDEAVOURS OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE  
AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING  
THIS FRUITFUL COOPERATION IN THE FUTURE.

PLEASE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY  
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR

Mr. Giandomenico Picco. Principal Officer. EOS

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H.E. MR. ANATOLY EMEL'YANOVICH GURINOVICH  
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE  
BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOVIALIST REPUBLIC  
MINSK (BYELORUSSIAN SSR)

EXCELLENCY,

UPON MY RETURN TO UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, I  
SHOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE WARM RECEPTION EXTENDED TO  
MYSELF AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF MY DELEGATION DURING MY VISIT TO  
THE BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

I VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT MINSK  
AND FOUND OUR DISCUSSIONS MOST INTERESTING AND ENCOURAGING. I  
WAS MOST GRATIFIED BY THE SUPPORT OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR FOR  
THE ENDEAVOURS OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND  
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.

PLEASE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY  
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

JAVIER PEREZ DE CUBLLAR

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S TOAST  
BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC  
JUNE 1987

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~~CHAIRMAN~~ OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET OF  
MR. ~~MINISTER~~, EXCELLENCIES, THE BYELORUSSIA SOVIET  
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC,  
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR KIND REMARKS, MR. ~~MINISTER~~,  
I REGARD THEM, AS WELL AS THE HOSPITALITY,  
— SO EXPRESSIVE OF SLAVIC WARMTH —  
WHICH HAS BEEN ACCORDED TO ME, ~~AND~~ MY WIFE, <sup>AND MY COLLEAGUES,</sup> AS A REFLECTION  
OF YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE ORGANIZATION THAT I REPRESENT.

A VISIT TO BYELORUSSIA CANNOT, BUT SUMMON A TRIBUTE  
TO THE SPLENDID HERITAGE EMBODIED IN THE POETRY OF YANKA KUPALA  
AND YAKAB KOLAS AND IN THE NATIONAL LITERATURE  
DOMINATED BY THE THEME OF STRUGGLE AGAINST WAR.  
THE BELL CHIMES OF <sup>5</sup>KHATYN WILL ALWAYS REMIND US  
NOT ONLY OF THE DEVASTATION BROUGHT BY WAR,  
BUT ALSO OF THE FORTITUDE AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT  
IN DEFENCE OF FREEDOM AND PEACE.

~~NO-ONE CAN IGNORE THE FACT,~~ THAT DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR  
ONE FOURTH OF THE POPULATION OF THIS REPUBLIC WAS WIPED OUT,  
AND SEVENTY PER CENT OF ITS HOUSING DESTROYED.

BYELORUSSIA

THIS LENDS AN INESTIMABLE FORCE TO ~~ITS~~ COMMITMENT TO THE CAUSE  
OF ERADICATING WAR FROM THE CONDUCT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.  
RAVAGED BY INVASION FOUR DECADES AGO,  
THIS THOUSAND-YEAR OLD CITY OF MINSK, THE HERO CITY,  
STANDS AS A WITNESS TO THE BLESSINGS AND THE NECESSITY OF PEACE.

AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS,  
IT WAS RIGHTLY SAID ON BEHALF OF YOUR GOVERNMENT NOT LONG AGO,  
THAT THE LANGUAGE OF PEACE  
SHOULD NOT BE DEVALUED BECAUSE- OF- REPETITION.  
THERE IS A TENDENCY TO DISMISS THE RHETORIC OF PEACE  
AS A MATTER OF PLATITUDES, CONVEYING LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE.

OF COURSE, THE TENDENCY NEEDS TO BE RESISTED, BECAUSE,  
IF WE PAY SCANT ATTENTION TO THE LANGUAGE,  
WE LOSE SIGHT OF THE ESSENTIAL CONCEPTS IT EMBODIES.  
BUT DOUBTS ABOUT ITS SINCERITY WILL PERSIST  
AS LONG AS MEMBER STATES OF THE UNITED NATIONS, FAIL OR REFUSE—  
TO BACK THEIR PROTESTATIONS AND CLAIMS IN BEHALF OF PEACE,  
WITH CONCRETE PROPOSALS AND ACTIONS.

THE NON-USE OR MISUSE OF THE MACHINERY OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
CANNOT BUT RAISE MOST DISTURBING QUESTIONS  
WHETHER GOVERNMENTS REALIZE THE CONSEQUENCES OF DRIFT AND DIVISION,  
OF FRUITLESS POLEMICS AND CONFLICT AND WHETHER THEY ARE PREPARED  
TO FULLY UTILIZE THE INSTRUMENT FOR PEACE AND HUMAN ADVANCE  
PROVIDED TO THEM IN THE WORLD ORGANIZATION.

THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS  
DURING THE LAST HALF-CENTURY HAS, ON THE ONE SIDE,  
EXPOSED HUMANITY TO TERMINAL DANGER AND, ON THE OTHER,  
CREATED POSSIBILITIES FOR ENHANCING HUMAN DIGNITY,  
AND ENSURING GLOBAL PROSPERITY,  
WHICH EARLIER GENERATIONS COULD NOT EVEN DREAM.  
THERE IS NO CLEARER DEMAND OF OUR AGE, THAN THAT. *THE DANGER*  
~~THE DANGER~~ BE DEFINITELY REMOVED  
AND THE POSSIBILITIES OF PROGRESS REALIZED  
THROUGH THE CONCERTED ACTION OF ALL STATES.



THIS IS A DEMAND WHICH TRANSCENDS ALL DIFFERENCES OF IDEOLOGY,  
CULTURE, SOCIAL SYSTEMS OR LEVELS OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.  
THE UNITED NATIONS IS FULLY EQUIPPED TO BE A VEHICLE  
FOR HUMANITY'S RESPONSE TO IT.

DURING THE PRESENT DECADE,  
WE WENT THROUGH A PHASE IN WHICH THE WORLD SEEMED TO STAND  
ON THE BRINK OF INTERNATIONAL ANARCHY.  
WE ARE NOT YET OUT OF THIS PERILOUS PHASE  
AS NONE OF THE MAJOR PROBLEMS WHICH THREATEN  
INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND ENDANGER HUMAN SURVIVAL  
HAVE MOVED CONCRETELY TOWARDS SETTLEMENT.

BUT SOME POSITIVE SIGNS ARE DISCERNIBLE NOW,  
OF WHICH, THE INITIATION OF A PURPOSEFUL DIALOGUE  
BETWEEN THE U.S.S.R. AND THE UNITED STATES  
ON THE ISSUES OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE, IS A MOST HOPEFUL EXAMPLE.  
IT APPEARS THAT WE HAVE REACHED A MOST CREATIVE<sup>er</sup> JUNCTURE.  
A RADICAL REVISION OF THE POLICIES  
WHICH LED TO THE EVER-SPIRALLING NUCLEAR ARMS RACE  
IS TODAY NOT A VAIN HOPE BUT AN ACHIEVABLE PROSPECT.  
BY ITSELF, IT WILL NO DOUBT BE A DEVELOPMENT OF UNIQUE IMPORTANCE.  
BUT ITS IMPACT WILL BE MOST BENEFICIAL, IF IT SERVES  
AS THE BEGINNING OF A PROCESS OF RE-BUILDING INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE  
AND PROCEEDING TOWARDS GENUINE DISARMAMENT.

ALL MEMBER STATES OF THE UNITED NATIONS

HAVE TO MAKE THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THIS PROCESS.

IT SHOULD USHER-IN A DYNAMIC PHASE OF UTILIZING THE PROCEDURES AND  
MODALITIES OF SETTLING INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES

TOWARDS THE END OF RESTORING PEACE TO TROUBLED REGIONS,

UPHOLDING JUSTICE AND STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY.

THE UNITED NATIONS WILL THEN REGAIN THE CREDIBILITY

AND EFFECTIVENESS ENVISAGED IN ITS CHARTER.

WITH THESE WORDS, EXCELLENCIES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,  
I WOULD ASK YOU TO JOIN WITH ME IN A TOAST  
TO THE HEALTH OF  
AND TO THE PROSPERITY OF THE PEOPLE  
OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

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STATEMENT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO  
MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF THE SUPREME SOVIET OF THE  
BYELORUSSIAN SSR

(MINSK, JUNE 1987)

MR. CHAIRMAN,  
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO MEET WITH MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION  
ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE SUPREME SOVIET OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR.  
YOUR CONTINUING DEDICATION TO THE IDEALS AND OBJECTIVES  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS IS WELL KNOWN AND HIGHLY APPRECIATED.  
OUR MEETING HERE TODAY, PROVIDES A WELCOME OPPORTUNITY FOR ME  
TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY BYELORUSSIA  
TO ONE PARTICULAR UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME  
- THE PROGRAMME OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE.  
THIS SPECIAL YEAR HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT AND, I THINK, LASTING IMPACT.  
THE COMMISSION OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR,  
ONE OF SIXTY-THREE NATIONAL COMMISSIONS  
ESTABLISHED IN COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD,  
HAS SHOWN THROUGH ITS EFFORTS A DEEP COMMITMENT TO A PEACEFUL WORLD.

THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENUNCIATES  
THE DETERMINATION OF ALL PEOPLES TO BRING ABOUT SUCH A WORLD.  
IN THE 41 YEARS SINCE THE UNITED NATIONS WAS FOUNDED,  
AS THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS HAS GROWN,  
THE NECESSITY OF PEACE HAS BECOME EVER MORE EVIDENT.  
IT IS THE PRIMARY INTEREST SHARED BY ALL NATIONS AND ALL PEOPLES,  
AND IT IS THE FIRST OBJECTIVE OF THE WORLD ORGANIZATION.

TWO ESSENTIAL CONCERNS HAVE GUIDED THE UNITED NATIONS  
IN SETTING ITS PRIORITIES.  
FIRST, THE NEED TO PREVENT ANY REPETITION  
OF THE VIOLENCE AND HOSTILITIES OF THE PAST  
AND, SECOND, THE DETERMINATION TO TAKE CONCRETE STEPS  
IN GENERATING CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE  
TO A MORE EQUITABLE AND HARMONIOUS WORLD ORDER.  
THE VAST CHANGES TAKING PLACE IN THE WORLD  
DO NOT ALTER THESE CONCERNS.  
THEY CAN ONLY BE ADDRESSED EFFECTIVELY  
WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF ALL COUNTRIES AND  
WITH THE SUPPORT OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS,  
AND MEN AND WOMEN THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

URGENT AND CONTINUING ATTENTION MUST BE GIVEN TO DISARMAMENT.  
THE POTENTIAL FOR NUCLEAR DISASTER,  
THE UNENDING SPIRAL OF THE ARMS RACE,  
AND THE CREATION OF NEW AND MORE SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS,  
ARE A HEAVY BURDEN ON HUMANITY.  
TO INVEST SUCH HUGE RESOURCES IN INSTRUMENTS OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION  
RUNS COUNTER TO THE BASIC HUMAN INTERESTS AND NEEDS.  
SURELY IN A WORLD IN WHICH HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION ARE WIDESPREAD,  
IN WHICH THE NEEDS OF DEVELOPMENT REMAIN FAR FROM MET,  
A BETTER CHOICE MUST BE MADE.

ACTIVE AND POSITIVE EFFORTS ARE NECESSARY  
FOR FOSTERING CONDITIONS WHICH WILL LEAD TO A WORLD  
OF JUSTICE AND SOCIAL PROGRESS.  
THE SATISFACTION OF BASIC HUMAN NEEDS,  
PARTICULARLY URGENT IN THE POOREST REGIONS, IS ESSENTIAL.  
SUSTAINED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MUST BE SOUGHT  
AND THE CONTINUING WIDESPREAD ABUSES OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
MUST BE ELIMINATED. THE WORLD CANNOT REALLY BE CONSIDERED PEACEFUL  
WHEN THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION IN SOUTH AFRICA, FOR EXAMPLE,  
IS DENIED THE MOST BASIC OF HUMAN RIGHTS.  
PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT HAS EMERGED AS A PRESSING ISSUE  
REQUIRING ATTENTION AT THE INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVELS.  
THESE ARE AMONG THE IMPORTANT OBJECTIVES  
WHICH MUST BE PURSUED IN SEEKING A SECURE WORLD.

THERE ARE SOME HOPEFUL SIGNS  
OF GROWING INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION TOWARD THIS END.  
I HOPE THAT A CLEARER APPRECIATION OF ONE ANOTHER'S DIFFICULTIES  
IS EMERGING ALONG, WITH A DETERMINATION  
TO ELIMINATE THE ROOTS OF DISTRUST AND INEQUITY IN THE WORLD.  
ALL WHO ARE GENUINELY INTERESTED IN A DURABLE PEACE  
CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THIS PROCESS.  
GOVERNMENTS, THE NGO COMMUNITY, AND MEN AND WOMEN, YOUNG AND OLD,  
IN EVERY REGION CAN MAKE THEIR CONTRIBUTION.  
IN THE CONTEXT OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE  
THEY WORKED TOGETHER TOWARD THE REALIZATION OF THIS OBJECTIVE.

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NGO COMMUNITY IN THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR,  
EFFECTIVELY CO-ORDINATED AS THEY WERE BY THE NATIONAL COMMISSION,  
WERE EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE.  
THEY DEMONSTRATED MANY DIVERSE APPROACHES TO PEACE,  
ALL OF WHICH REFLECTED THE COMMON ASPIRATION  
OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS REPUBLIC.

I WAS PLEASED TO SEND A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC MEETING  
WHICH TOOK PLACE HERE IN MINSK ON 24 OCTOBER.  
THIS MEETING AND OTHER PUBLIC MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES  
WHICH WERE HELD THROUGHOUT THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR DURING 1986  
CLEARLY ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO REFLECT UPON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PEACE  
AND THE CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH THEY MIGHT MAKE.



I WAS PLEASED TO BE INFORMED  
THAT THE 9TH INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COURSE  
BROUGHT TOGETHER STUDENTS FROM APPROXIMATELY 100 COUNTRIES.  
AN ART EXHIBIT HERE IN MINSK WITH THE THEME  
"MASTERS OF CULTURE OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR - FOR PEACE, AGAINST WAR"  
PROVIDED A VERY DIFFERENT AND IMPORTANT FOCUS.  
IN THIS CONTEXT I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE  
THAT AT LAST YEAR'S INTERNATIONAL POSTER BIENNALE IN WARSAW,  
THE POSTER SELECTED FOR THE SPECIAL PRIZE  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL  
WAS DESIGNED BY THREE BYELORUSSIAN ARTISTS.

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND COMMITMENT TO THE OBJECTIVES  
OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE PROVIDE POSITIVE EXAMPLES  
OF HOW PEOPLE CAN AND MUST WORK TOGETHER IN SEEKING A BETTER WORLD.  
IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE EFFORTS WHICH YOU UNDERTOOK  
FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE YEAR OF PEACE,  
WILL CONTINUE IN THE YEARS TO COME.  
THE THEME OF THE YEAR  
- TO SAFEGUARD PEACE AND THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY -  
MUST REMAIN OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY.

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY  
TO PERFORM WHAT IS FOR ME A VERY AGREEABLE TASK. *Pause*  
IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT A COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL  
FOR THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE  
TO MR. VLADIMIR ANDREEVICH MIKULICH,  
CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF THE BYELORUSSIAN SSR  
FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE YEAR.  
THIS MEDAL IS CONVEYED TO YOU IN SINCERE APPRECIATION  
FOR THE CONTRIBUTION MADE BY THE COMMISSION  
IN CO-ORDINATING THE OBSERVANCE OF THE YEAR OF PEACE.  
IT IS ALSO PRESENTED IN THE HOPE  
THAT THE DEDICATION AND POSITIVE SPIRIT OF 1986  
WILL BE FURTHERED IN LONG-TERM AND CONTINUING EFFORTS  
FOR THE PROMOTION OF PEACE.

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5 June 1987

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

On behalf of the Secretary-General I should like to refer to the invitation which your Government has so kindly extended to him to pay an official visit to the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic from 26 to 27 June 1987.

The Secretary-General would like to propose that he leaves Minsk for Kiev on 27 June. Attached please find the composition of the party accompanying the Secretary-General.

Please accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Virendra Dayal  
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency  
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Permanent Representative of the  
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