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LETTER DATED 27 SEPTEMBER 1968 FROM THE DELEGATIONS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, FRANCE, UNITED KINGDOM AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE OF NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES

In his letter to you of 18th September 1968, the Head of the Delegation of the Polish People's Republic to the Conference on Non-Nuclear-Weapon States requested the circulation as an official document of the Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States of a statement by the authorities of Eastern Germany.

The letter and the statement imply that there exists a government other than that of the Federal Republic of Germany entitled to speak as the representative of the German people in international affairs. This is not the case: the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany is the only German Government freely and legitimately constituted and entitled thereby to speak in the name of Germany as the representative of the German people in international affairs.

We should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the Conference of Non-Nuclear-Weapon States.

Sincerely etc.

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