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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD

## Letter dated 26 April 1999 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the <u>Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Yuqoslavia to the</u> <u>United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the Chairperson of</u> <u>the Commission on Human Rights</u>

I have the honour to transmit, enclosed herewith\*, a document entitled "Comments of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on the resolution E/CN.4/1999/L.34/Rev.1 adopted at the Commission on Human Rights on 23 April 1999". I would like to ask you to have it circulated as an official document of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission on Human Rights under agenda item 9.

> (<u>Signed</u>) Branko Brankovic Ambassador Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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## COMMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA on the Resolution E/CN.4/1999/L.34/Rev.1 adopted at the Commission on Human Rights on 23 April 1999

The Commission on Human Rights adopted on 23 April 1999, at its Fifty-fifth session, the Resolution E/CN.4/1999/L.34/Rev.1, "Situation of human rights in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the Republic of Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina". The text of the Resolution (part relating to the FR of Yugoslavia, Kosovo and Metohija) is based on falsehoods and deliberately launched disinformation which were due to justify the NATO barbarian aggression against the FR of Yugoslavia.

The Resolution was adopted on 23 April 1999, on the very day the NATO barbarian soldatesque celebrated the 50th anniversary of its existence and commemorated the obvious defeat of its aggression against the FR of Yugoslavia.

The states which voted in favor of the Resolution E/CN.4/1999/L.34/Rev.1, (part relating to the FR of Yugoslavia, Kosovo and Metohija) supported:

- the NATO barbarian aggression against the sovereign and independent FR of Yugoslavia, thus violating the UN Charter and international law
- the genocide against the Yugoslav peoples
- the killing of innocent civilians, women, children, the elderly
- the destruction of schools, faculties, kindergartens, civilian facilities, bridges and factories
- the destruction of refugee centers and killing of refugees who found shelter in the FR of Yugoslavia
- mass exodus of refugees and displaced persons caused by NATO aggression
- the destruction of the Radio Television of Serbia and of seven privately-owned TV stations, which was aimed at killing the truth.

The adoption of the Resolution E/CN.4/1999/L.34/Rev.1 (part relating to the FR of Yugoslavia, Kosovo and Metohija) represents a disgrace for the entire UN system and its humane objectives. The Commission on Human Rights will be remembered through this Resolution as the body of the UN which contributed to this disgrace. Those member states of the Commission which voted in favor of the Resolution, annulled thus the signatures they had put down when acceding to the UN. By voting for the afore mentioned resolution, these countries have contributed to NATO's action aimed at destroying the United Nations.