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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE
UNITED NATIONS, ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

New York, 23 September 1958

The Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to transmit the attached text of a note delivered to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on 10 September regarding negotiations on nuclear test suspension.

The Representative of the United States has the honour to request that the text of the note of 10 September be circulated as a document of the United Nations.

TEXT OF A NOTE DELIVERED TO THE SOVIET FOREIGN OFFICE
ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1958

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and, referring to the Ministry's note of 30 August of this year,^{1/} has the honour to state that the Government of the United States of America notes with gratification that the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics has agreed to the date of 31 October 1958 as proposed by the United States for the beginning of negotiations among representatives of the United Kingdom, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States on the question of suspension of nuclear weapons tests and the actual establishment of an international control system on the basis of the report of the Geneva conference of experts.^{2/} The United States further notes that the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics suggests that these discussions be held in Geneva. The United States agrees to this location. The United States is informed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations that conference facilities and secretariat services will be available at the Palais des Nations.

The Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics also proposes that a period of two to three weeks be set for the duration of the proposed discussions. The United States, of course, agrees that the negotiations should be concluded as quickly as possible, but believes that their importance requires the expenditure of whatever time may mutually be deemed necessary for their successful conclusion.

The Chairman of the United States Delegation to the conference will be Ambassador James J. Wadsworth, United States Representative on Disarmament.

With regard to the other issues raised in the note and those discussed by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the statement attached to the note of the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the views of the United States Government are as set forth in the statement of President Eisenhower of 22 August.^{3/} The United States proposes that these issues be reserved for discussion at the meetings which will commence at Geneva on 31 October.

1/ A/3904.
2/ A/3897.
3/ A/3895.