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Letter dated 15 February 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of  
the Permanent Mission of the German Democratic Republic to the  
United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to request you to circulate the enclosed message dated 7 February 1985 by His Excellency Erich Honecker, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and Chairman of the Council of State of the German Democratic Republic, to His Excellency Mr. Raul Alfonsin,

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President of Argentina, His Excellency Mr. Andreas Papandreou, Prime Minister of Greece, His Excellency Mr. Rajiv Gandhi, Prime Minister of India, His Excellency Mr. Miguel de la Madrid, President of Mexico, His Excellency Mr. Olof Palme, Prime Minister of Sweden, and His Excellency Mr. Julius Nyerere, President of the United Republic of Tanzania, as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 57, 58, 60, 61, 62, 65, 68 and 69 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dietmar HUCKE  
Ambassador Extraordinary  
and Plenipotentiary  
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

ANNEX

Message by His Excellency Erich Honecker, General Secretary of  
the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany  
and Chairman of the Council of State of the German Democratic  
Republic, to the Heads of State or Government of Argentina,  
Greece, India, Mexico, Sweden and the United Republic of Tanzania  
of 7 February 1985

With great attention and sympathy I have taken note of the Delhi Declaration. I share your view that the future of all peoples is at stake and that it is now imperative to overcome the many obstacles which lie in the path of peace. Let me assure you that the German Democratic Republic will support the concern of the Delhi Declaration.

I strongly reaffirm that outer space must be kept free of any type of weapon. Equally important would be the conclusion of a comprehensive test ban treaty and the cessation of the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and their delivery systems.

Today, international peace and security can be ensured only through the peaceful coexistence of States with different social systems.

It is my deep conviction that it is not only imperative but also feasible to remove the threat of nuclear war. This requires that all those concerned for peace join in efforts and unite their strength for safeguarding it, for this is the key task of our time.

Like you I welcome the start of new negotiations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America, which should encompass the entire complex of questions concerning space and nuclear arms, both strategic and intermediate range. I trust that these negotiations will help rid the world of nuclear weapons.

Your Excellency may rest assured that the people and Government of the German Democratic Republic are working steadfastly for peace the world over. This is a constitutional mandate to which we have been committed since the German Democratic Republic's foundation. This year, the peoples of the world will observe the fortieth anniversary of the victory over Hitler fascism. The German Democratic Republic will solemnly commemorate the occasion as Liberation Day.

The Delhi Declaration is a bold and inspiring move towards a world-wide coalition of common sense and realism for peace.

