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Notification of nuclear **tests**

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions **41/59** N of 3 December 1986 and **42/38** C of 30 November 1987, a communication has been received from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, dated 26 October 1990, which is reproduced in the annex to the present note.

ANNEX

Information provided by States

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

[Original: **Russian**]

[26 October 1990]

1. On 24 October 1990, at 1800 hours Moscow time, a nuclear explosion with a yield of between 20 and 150 kilotons was conducted in the Soviet Union, at a test site in the Novaya Zemlya islands region, for the purpose of increasing the reliability and safety of nuclear weapons.

2. Radiation in the test area is normal.
