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## Letter dated 22 April 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Albania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the Declaration of the Government of the Republic of Albania (annex) on the recognition of the independence of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

I would very much appreciate it if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 69 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

> (<u>Signed</u>) Sokol NECAJ Chargé d'affaires

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## ANNEX

## Statement of the Government of the Republic of Albania on the recognition of the independence of the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina

The Government of the Republic of Albania, respecting the right of the peoples for self-determination, based on the fundamental principles embodied in the Final Act of Helsinki, in the Charter of Paris, in the other documents of CSCE, as well as in the implementation of its good neighbourliness policy, declares that it recognizes the independence of the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The further approach in the establishment of diplomatic relations with this sovereign and independent State will be according to the bilateral relations basis.

The Albanian people and Government, hailing this significant overt for the people of posnia-Herzegovina, at the same time express their conviction that the creation of this new and independent State will contribute in the solution of Yugoslav crisis, it will serve the relaxation of the situation and other confrontations in the former Yugoslavia will not be incited. They are also confident that the new and independent State of Bosnia-Herzegovina will make a contribution to the maintenance of peace and stability in the Balkans.

On this occasion, the Government of the Republic of Albania wishes to remind the whole democratic world, especially Europe and the United States of America, to powerfully contribute in the solution of the just demands of the Albanians living in their own territories in former Yugoslavia, to make them equal among the European Community, thus putting an end forever to the injustices committed at their expense.

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