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Letter dated 19 December 1997 from the Permanent
Representative of Belarus to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that on 4 December 1997 Mr. Alyaksandr Lukashenka, President of the Republic of Belarus, signed Decree No. 628 "On the Extension of the Moratorium on the Export of Anti-Personnel Landmines" (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under the item entitled "General and complete disarmament".

(Signed) Alyaksandr SYCHOU
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

[Original: Russian]

Decree No. 628 of 4 December 1997 by the President of the
Republic of Belarus on the extension of the moratorium on
the export of anti-personnel landmines

In order to promote international efforts to achieve the goal of eliminating anti-personnel mines, I hereby decide:

1. To extend until the end of 1999 the moratorium on the export of all types of anti-personnel landmines, declared in accordance with Decree No. 335 of 22 August 1995 by the President of the Republic of Belarus on the introduction in the Republic of Belarus of a moratorium on the export of anti-personnel landmines.
2. The Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus shall take measures to ensure the implementation of the moratorium declared.
3. This Decree shall enter into force on the date of its signing.

(Signed) A. G. LUKASHENKA
President of the Republic of Belarus
