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Comrade Ambassador,

We inform you that Korean sources at the UN consider the letter addressed on June 27 to the President of the Security Council concerning the dismantling of the UN headquarters in South Korea, a “tactical maneuver to create confusion at this year’s session of the General Assembly.”

When agreeing to dismantle the UN headquarters only if Democratic People's Republic of Korea and People’s Republic of China accept that US and South Korean troops will take over the responsibilities of the headquarters, as well as by keeping in place the conditions of the Armistice, the US is seeking to force the Democratic People's Republic of Korea into accepting the presence of US troops in South Korea and recognizing the latter as a state.

The only means to settle the Korean issue is via bilateral negotiations with the US and South Korea, in view of withdrawing US troops and signing a peace treaty.

Signed: Romulus Budura