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LETTER DATED 11 OCTOBER 1996 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the resolution adopted by the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea on 23 September 1996 concerning the recent infiltration of armed commandos of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by submarine into the territory of the Republic of Korea.

I would be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) PARK Soo Gil Permanent Representative

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<u>Annex</u>

The National Assembly of the Republic of Korea,

<u>Condemning</u> the recent infiltration of North Korean commandos into the Republic of Korea by submarine off the coast of Kangnung, despite the consistent policy of peace by the Republic of Korea towards North Korea,

<u>Convinced</u> that such infiltration through a military vessel is totally unacceptable not only as an act of espionage, but also as clear military provocation against the Republic of Korea,

<u>Noting</u> that North Korea persists in its anachronistic goal of communizing the Korean Peninsula by force,

Through a supra-partisan consensus and with the support of the entire Korean people, unanimously resolves to:

- 1. <u>Take the lead</u> in efforts to strengthen national defence in order to firmly respond to any military threat or provocation by North Korea;
- 2. <u>Call upon</u> the Administration to do its utmost to deter North Korean acts of military provocation, uncover North Korean agents covertly operating in the Republic of Korea and root out other subversive elements seeking to foment social unrest;
- 3. <u>Urge</u> the Administration to take immediate measures to strengthen national defence preparedness for a prompt and thorough response to any future infiltration by North Korean armed commandos, thereby redoubling the confidence of the people in their Government and armed forces;
- 4. <u>Call upon</u> the international community to take a serious view of the Korean situation where the legacy of the cold war still persists and of the stability and peace in East Asia which are constantly threatened by North Korea and to closely cooperate with the Republic of Korea in restraining North Korea from further acts of provocation;
- 5. <u>Urge North Korea once again</u> to abandon its irrational goal of communizing the Republic of Korea by force, immediately cease acts of provocation and respond positively to our initiatives to build a genuine national community on the Korean Peninsula; and
- 6. <u>Express its sincere appreciation</u> to the Korean people for their strong sense of civic duty towards the preservation of a free and democratic society by working closely with the government authorities during this incident, and <u>reaffirm</u> its commitment to the efforts to consolidate such national resolve.
