CONTINUATION OF SUSPENSION OF NUCLEAR AND THERMO-NUCLEAR TESTS
AND OBLIGATIONS OF STATES TO REFRAIN FROM THEIR RENEWAL

THE URGENT NEED FOR A TREATY TO BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS UNDER
EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL

Letter dated 2 November 1961 from the Permanent Representatives
of Iran, Pakistan, Turkey and the United Kingdom addressed to
the President of the General Assembly

We have the honour to draw your attention to United Nations document
No. A/C.1/853 dated 30 October 1961 which reproduced a letter from the
representative of the Soviet Union together with a number of enclosures consisting
of a Tass Agency statement and copies of documents alleged to be the property of
the Central Treaty Organization.

You will no doubt be aware that the allegations contained in the Tass Agency
statement have been publicly denied on a number of occasions at the United Nations
and elsewhere by official representatives of member Governments of CENTO. We
submit that the Soviet delegation's action in using the United Nations Secretariat
facilities for the translation, reproduction and circulation of news agency
propaganda material of this character is wholly improper. The Soviet delegation's
action is also at variance with the restrictions underlying resolution 593 (VI)
on the "Control and Limitation of Documentation" which requests, inter alia, the
exercise of "discretion as to the disposition of material received from
delegations ... to what is strictly required by resolutions and other statutory
decisions of a United Nations organ, or is clearly relevant to agenda items
under discussion."

We request that this letter should be distributed as a United Nations
document.

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(Signed) T. MEHMET CIOGLU
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