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PLEASE RELAY FOLLOWING TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN, KEY WEST, FLA. PRS STATE
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FOLLOWING RELAY FROM PARIS TO DEPT AS DELGA 737 NOVEMBER 13, 5 P.M.

REPEATED WHITE HOUSE FOR RELAY PRESIDENT TRUMAN"

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM EVATT AND LIE ADDRESSED TO
CHAIRMAN DELEGATIONS OF OCCUPYING POWERS IN BERLIN WITH REQUEST
THAT IT BE TRANSMITTED TO THE HEADS OF THEIR STATES. LETTER
RECEIVED BY USGADEL NOVEMBER 13, 2:45 P.M., RELEASED TO PRESS BY UN AT 3
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BEGIN TEXT

SIR:

WE HAVE THE HONOR TO ADDRESS THIS COMMUNICATION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF
THE DELEGATIONS OF THE POWERS SIGNATORY TO THE MOSCOW AGREEMENT OF
24 DECEMBER 1945, AND TO REQUEST THAT IT BE TRANSMITTED TO THE
RESPECTIVE CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR URGENT CONSIDERATION.

ON WEDNESDAY THREE NOVEMBER 1948 THE GA OF THE UN SITTING IN
PLENARY SESSION AT PARIS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED AN "APPEAL TO THE
GREAT POWERS TO RENEW THEIR EFFORTS TO COMPOSE THEIR DIFFERENCES AND
ESTABLISH A LASTING PEACE". IN THIS RESOLUTION THE GA DECLARED THAT THE
DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GREAT POWERS "IN ABLE MATTER OF VITAL IMPORTANCE
TO ALL THE UN IS AT THE PRESENT TIME CAUSE OF THE DEEPEST.

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ANXIETY AMONG ALL OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD --- " AND THAT "THE UN IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS MOST SACRED MISSION IS BOUND TO AFFORD ITS ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION IN THE SETTLEMENT OF A SITUATION THE CONTINUATION OF WHICH INVOLVES GRAVE DANGERS TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE"

THE RESOLUTION THEN "RECOMMENDS THE POWERS SIGNATORY TO THE MOSCOW AGREEMENTS OF 24 DECEMBER 1945 AND THE POWERS WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY ACCEDED THERETO -- TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS -- IN A SPIRIT OF SOLIDARITY AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING TO -- SECURE IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE TIME -- THE FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THE WAR AND THE CONCLUSION OF ALL THE PEACE SETTLEMENTS OF THE WAR AND THE CONCLUSION OF ALL THE PEACE SETTLEMENTS"

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE POWERS SIGNATORY TO THE MOSCOW AGREEMENTS SPOKE IN UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND VOTED FOR IT. THEY HAVE ACCEPTED THE RECOMMENDATION, AND THE WORLD RIGHTLY EXPECTS THEM TO TAKE ACTIVE STEPS TOWARD CARRYING IT OUT WITHOUT DELAY.

WE BELIEVE THE FIRST STEP IS TO RESOLVE THE BERLIN QUESTION THIS CASE IS STILL PENDING BEFORE THE SC. WE BELIEVE THE HISTORY OF THE SC'S CONSIDERATION OF THIS CASE DEMONSTRATES THAT IT CAN BE SOLVED.

EVERY DAY THAT THE DEADLOCK OVER BERLIN CONTINUES THE DANGER TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF ALL NATIONS CONTINUES UNDIMINISHED.

FEAR OF ANOTHER WAR IS CRIPPLING THE EFFORT OF ALL NATIONS TO REPAIR THE DAMAGE OF THE LAST WAR AND RETURN ONCE MORE TO THE WAYS OF PEACE. THE WORK OF THE GA AND OF THE UN AS A WHOLE IN EVERY FIELD OF ITS ENDEAVOR IS BEING DELAYED AND UNDERMINED .

IT IS WITHIN THE POWER OF THE LEADERS OF THE GREAT NATIONS TO WHICH THIS COMMUNICATION IS ADDRESSED TO END THIS DANGER TO THE PEACE.

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WE THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY URGE UPON THE GOVERNMENTS OF FRANCE, THE USSR, THE UK AND THE US, SIGNATORIES TO THE MOSCOW DECLARATION, THE DESIRABILITY OF IMMEDIATE CONVERSATIONS AND OF TAKING ALL OTHER NECESSARY STEPS TOWARD THE SOLUTION OF THE BERLIN QUESTION, THUS OPENING THE WAY TO A PROMPT RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE REMAINING PEACE SETTLEMENTS FOR GERMANY, AUSTRIA, AND JAPAN.

WE ALSO BELIEVE THE GREAT POWERS SHOULD LEND THEIR FULL AND ACTIVE SUPPORT TO THE EFFORTS AT MEDIATION OF THE BERLIN DISPUTE BY THE PRESS OF THE SC. FOR OURSELVES, WE STAND READY TO LEND ALL FURTHER ASSISTANCE, SUCH AS THE CURRENCY STUDY NOW BEING MADE BY THE UNGA WHICH SEEMS MOST HELPFUL TO THE GREAT POWERS IN THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM.

WE AWAIT AN EARLY REPLY TO THIS COMMUNICATION IN ORDER THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE UN NOW ASSEMBLED HERE IN PARIS MAY BE INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GA'S UNANIMOUS "APPEAL TO THE GREAT POWERS TO RENEW THEIR EFFORTS TO COMPOSE THEIR DIFFERENCES AND TO ESTABLISH A LASTING PEACE"

END TEXT

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