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Letter dated 5 May 1977 from the Delegation of the
German Democratic Republic addressed to the President
of the Thirtieth World Health Assembly

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DER DEUTSCHEN DEMOKRATISCHEN REPUBLIK
MINISTER FÜR GESUNDHEITSWESEN

Geneva, 5 May 1977

Dr S. Tapa
President of the
Thirtieth World Health Assembly
Geneva

Dear Mr President,

Referring to the list of participants No. 1 of the Thirtieth World Health Assembly of 4 May 1977, WHA30/DIV/2.Rev.1, and in connexion with the indication of Mrs Dr. Ruth Mattheis, Director, Public Health Department, Berlin (West) in the delegation list of the Federal Republic of Germany, I feel obliged to reaffirm the standpoint expressed in my letter of 14 May 1975 to the President of the Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly, document A28/49 of 15 May 1975.

As far as the participation of Professor Rottka, Professor and Director for Nutritional Medicine and Physiology in the Federal Health Office, is concerned, I have to state the following:

In accordance with the Quadripartite Agreement of 3 September 1971, Berlin (West) is no constituent part of the Federal Republic of Germany and may not be governed by it. Thus, the activity of the Federal Health Office in Berlin (West) which illegally exercises sovereign rights of the FRG in Berlin (West) is in contradiction to the Quadripartite Agreement.

The attempt to promote activities of representatives of the Federal Health Office in the WHO does not correspond to the spirit of détente and cooperation and is contradictory to the stipulations of the Quadripartite Agreement.

For that reason the delegation of the German Democratic Republic feels unable to accept the credentials of Mr Prof. Rottka. I request you, Mr President, to see to it that this letter will be circulated as a document of the Thirtieth World Health Assembly.

Accept, Mr President, the assurances of my high consideration.

(signed) Prof. Dr.sc.med. L. Mecklinger