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RESOLUTION OF THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
WARSAW TREATY

Having reviewed the letters that were exchanged on March 27 and 28 of this year between the Supreme Commander of the Unified Armed Forces and the National Defense Minister of the People's Republic of Albania concerning the state of affairs at the Vlorë naval base in Albania and, also, having taken into account the opinions concerning the question of Albania's fulfilling its duties arising from the Warsaw Treaty that were expressed at a meeting of the Committee, the Political Consultative Committee notes with regret that Albania has recently taken some steps that do not correspond to the principles and conditions of the Warsaw Treaty. At the Vlorë naval base, the Albanian side has created an abnormal environment that is unacceptable to the Warsaw Treaty member-states and significantly decreases the combat readiness of this base.

Members of the meeting took notice of the fact that, at the 4th Congress of the Albanian Party of Labor, comrade Enver Hoxha made a statement about an alleged attack on Albania carried out by Yugoslavia, Greece, and the Sixth Fleet of the United States of America. Despite the fact that such an event would be of exceptionally grave political and military importance for all of the Warsaw Treaty countries, Albania did not inform any of these countries or even the Supreme Commander of the Unified Armed Forces about this event, and information on this issue has yet to be provided. Such actions by the People's Republic of Albania violate the provisions of Articles 3 and 5 of the Warsaw Treaty.

The Political Consultative Committee expects that the government of the People's Republic of Albania shall, without delay, provide the Supreme Commander of the Unified Armed Forces of the Warsaw Treaty with the facts and arguments upon which the representatives of the party and government of the PRA based their statements concerning the attack on Albania.

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