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Letter dated 22 June 1983 from the Permanent Representative of the
Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

In my capacity as Acting Chairman of the Permanent Representatives of the States members of the European Community in New York, I have the honour to inform you that the Heads of State and Government of the Ten, meeting as the European Council, adopted in Stuttgart on 19 June 1983 the following conclusions:

"Conclusions of the European Council

"Stuttgart, 17-19 June, 1983

"Solemn Declaration on European Union

"The Heads of State and Government received the report of the Foreign Ministers concerning the conclusion of their work on the German-Italian initiative on European union following the mandate given by the European Council in November 1981. The heads of State and Government and the foreign Ministers of the Ten signed the solemn declaration on European union. They expressed their deep satisfaction at this important step towards European union.

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"Poland

"At the moment when the important visit of Pope John Paul II is taking place in Poland, the Heads of State and Government reviewed the situation in that country, to which their peoples are linked by strong ties of solidarity.

"At a time when the depth of the aspirations of the Polish people is more than ever apparent, they expressed their conviction that only a national reconciliation, which takes full account of these aspirations, can lead Poland out of its grave crisis.

"Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe

"The Heads of State and Government reviewed the progress of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe follow-up meeting in Madrid, noting with interest the timely and important initiative taken on 17 June by Mr. Felipe González as the Prime Minister of the host country. Their Governments will examine this proposal with due care and in a positive spirit. They appeal to the Governments of other participating States to do likewise. They reiterated their view that the adoption of a substantial and balanced concluding document at Madrid would register progress in the human dimension, open the way to a conference on disarmament in Europe, give fresh impetus to the process of the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe and make a useful contribution to the improvement of East/West relations as a whole.

"Middle East

"The Heads of State and Government consider that the return of full sovereignty and final peace in Lebanon requires the complete and prompt withdrawal of foreign forces from its territory, except for those whose presence may be requested by the Lebanese Government.

"They confirmed their full support for President Gemayel and his Government in their determined action to re-establish their authority over the entire territory of Lebanon. In this respect, they consider that the signing of the Israel-Lebanon Agreement constitutes a step which must be followed by others. They consider, however, that peace will not be able to become a reality unless the security and legitimate interests of the other States and peoples of the region are taken into account.

"They stated their readiness to use all the means at their disposal to support the efforts undertaken by the parties in question so as to find a broader area of agreement.

"They remain convinced that a just, lasting and comprehensive peace in the Middle East can only be secured on the basis of the principles which they have stated many times in the past.

"They again voiced their very serious concern at the distress of the Palestinian civilian population. They hope that the relevant international organizations will be allowed to assist this population without hindrance.

"Central America

"The Heads of State and Government confirmed their close interest in developments in Central America. They are deeply concerned at the economic and social conditions in many parts of the region, at the tensions which these create and at the widespread misery and bloodshed.

"They are convinced that the problems of Central America cannot be solved by military means, but only by a political solution springing from the region itself and respecting the principles of non-interference and inviolability of frontiers. They, therefore, fully support the current initiative of the Contadora Group. They underlined the need for the establishment of democratic conditions and for the strict observance of human rights throughout the region.

"They are ready to continue contributing to further development in the area, in order to promote progress towards stability."

I should be grateful if you would kindly have the text of this letter distributed as a document of the General Assembly, under items 12 and 34 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Guenther van WELL
