DECLARATION

of the President of the State Council of the People's Republic of Bulgaria Todor Zhivkov and the Prime Minister of the Republic of Greece Andreas Papandreou

The President of the State Council of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Prime Minister of the Republic of Greece,

- ••• encouraged by the favourable prospects for concluding a convention on prohibition and destruction of chemical weapons, and determined to sign it immediately upon its opening for signature,
- ••• 1. State that the Governments of the two countries will elaborate norms of behaviour with a view to turning their territories into a zone free of nuclear and chemical weapons.
- 2. Declare that the two countries will, to that end, refrain from actions which may hinder the establishment of a zone free of nuclear and chemical weapons.
- 3. Call upon the other Balkan countries to support these efforts, with a view to elaborating and adopting norms of behaviour aimed at freeing the territory of all Balkan countries from nuclear and chemical weapons.
- 4. Hope that all states will encourage and assist the efforts to establish a zone free of nuclear and chemical weapons in the Balkans.

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5. State that this Declaration is not directed against any third country and does not affect the rights and obligations ensuing from the agreements in force to which they are parties.

The Declaration was signed in Haskovo on 23 April 1989 in two original copies in the Bulgarian and Greek languages, both texts having equal force.

PRESIDENT OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA:

PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF GREECE:

s/ Todor 2hivkov

s/ Andreas Papandreou