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### **Telegram from Berlin to Bucharest, No. 018.998**

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#### **Summary:**

Comments regarding the recent US declaration on the use of nuclear arms in case of a conflict on the Korean Peninsula. Most communist countries agree that the two Koreas show little interest in generating armed conflict on the peninsula. The DPRK reiterates its plans for a peaceful unification of Korea.

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Comrade C. Oancea,

The Ambassador of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is visibly showing interests within the diplomatic community in Berlin towards the significance of the statements given by the US State Secretary for Defense, according to which the US would use nuclear weapons in the eventuality of a conflict between North and South Korea.

The Korean Ambassador considers the statement is meant to encourage the dictator Park in the South and spell out again the determination of US imperialist circles to maintain their influence in the area.

The Korean party and government are determined to solve the issue of national reunification during "our generation," say Korean diplomats.

The Ambassador of People's Republic of China considers there is no danger of armed conflict in Korea. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea leadership declared it aims at accomplishing its ultimate ideal: peaceful national reunification. People's Republic of China is fully supporting this position of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

There are certain imperialist circles whose actions aim at adding an element of tension in the Far East, with the obvious intention of changing the focus from other issues and conflict areas in the Middle East and Europe.

The Dutch Ambassador was of the opinion that none of the sides involved are truly interested in generating armed hostilities in the Korean Peninsula.

Signed: Georgescu C.