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THE BRITISH MILITARY GOVERNMENT WISHES TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE SOVIET EMBASSY TO A RECENT INCIDENT INVOLVING A BRITISH MILITARY VEHICLE IN THE SOVIET SECTOR.

AT 1720 HOURS ON 15 APRIL, ON HERMANN-DUNKER STRASSE, A BRITISH MILITARY VEHICLE, REGISTRATION NUMBER 58 XB 66, SUFFERED DAMAGE AS A RESULT OF A COLLISION CAUSED BY SOVIET VEHICLES. WHILE THE BRITISH VEHICLE WAS PROCEEDING ALONG HERMANN-DUNKER STRASSE, A BLACK VOLGA SALOON, SOVIET REGISTRATION NUMBER 3770 CA, OVERTOOK THE BRITISH VEHICLE, STOPPED, AND REVERSED DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF IT. THE BRITISH VEHICLE STOPPED IN ORDER TO AVOID AN ACCIDENT. AFTER THE BRITISH VEHICLE HAD BEEN STATIONARY FOR SEVERAL SECONDS, IT WAS STRUCK IN THE REAR RIGHT WING BY A SOVIET UAZ 469, REGISTRATION NUMBER 3732 CA, WHICH CAUSED SLIGHT DAMAGE TO THE BRITISH VEHICLE. A SENIOR SOVIET OFFICER DESCENDED FROM THE UAZ 469, WALKED UP TO THE BRITISH VEHICLE, AND WHEN THE BRITISH PERSONNEL DECLINED HIS INVITATION TO LEAVE THEIR VEHICLE, THE SOVIET OFFICER THEN RETURNED TO HIS VEHICLE. BOTH SOVIET VEHICLES THEN LEFT THE SCENE OF THE ACCIDENT.

THE BRITISH MILITARY GOVERNMENT PROTESTS ABOUT THE DANGEROUS ACTION ON THE PART OF THE TWO SOVIET MILITARY VEHICLES, WHICH WERE DIRECTLY AND SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR CAUSING THE ACCIDENT. THE BRITISH MILITARY GOVERNMENT LOOKS TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO REPITITION OF SUCH INCIDENTS IN THE FUTURE.

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