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*Sehr geehrter Herr Staatssekretär,*

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 3 December 1999, which reads as follows:

"I have the honour to propose on behalf of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany the following Agreement, which will be notified to the Commission of the European Communities in accordance with Council Regulation (EEC) No 259/93 of 1 February 1993 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into and out of the European Community, with regard to shipments of waste generated by the KFOR/NATO troops from Kosovo to the Federal Republic of Germany:

1. It is hereby agreed that wastes that have been or are being generated during the deployment of KFOR/NATO troops may be shipped from the Kosovo to the Federal Republic of Germany for the purpose of environmentally sound management.
2. The provisions of Council Regulation (EEC) No 259/93 of 1 February 1993 on the supervision and control of shipments of waste within, into and out of the European Community and the pertinent provisions of shipment of waste in the Federal Republic of Germany shall remain unaffected. In particular the necessary notifications shall be made, involving also the states of transit. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to

represent an obligation for the Federal Republic of Germany to accept the waste in question.

3. The KFOR/NATO troops in the Kosovo shall provide assistance as may be necessary to implement this Agreement.
4. This Agreement shall be concluded in the English and German languages, both texts being equally authentic.

If the KFOR/NATO troops in the Kosovo agree to the proposals contained in paragraphs 1 to 4 above, this Note and Your Note in reply shall constitute an Agreement between the KFOR/NATO troops and the Federal Republic of Germany, which shall enter into force on the date of your Note in reply."

I am pleased to inform you of my acceptance on behalf of the Kosovo Force of your Note which, together with this Note in reply, constitute an Agreement which enters into force on the date of this reply.

Accept, Minister, the assurance of my highest consideration.

*mit herzlichem Gruß*

*Dr*

*Klaus Reinhardt*

Dr. Klaus Reinhardt  
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