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TO PRESIDENT LANDSBERGIS OFFICE  
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HIS EXCELLENCY MR. MICHAIL GORBATSCHOW  
PRESIDENT OF THE SOVJET UNION  
THE SOVJET UNION EMBASSY  
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YOUR EXCELLENCY,

THE DECISION TO OFFER YOU THE DISTINGUISHED NOBEL PEACE PRIZE 1990 WAS MET WITH ENTHUSIASM BY THE MAJORITY OF THE NORWEGIAN PEOPLE, CONSIDERING YOUR GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO FREEDOM AND PEACE IN RECENT YEARS. IN THE SHADOW OF ACTUAL EVENTS IN THE BALTIC NATIONS, HOWEVER, MANY PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE FELT THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR BROAD AND PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE JUST ASPIRATIONS OF THE BALTIC PEOPLES FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND PEACE. A VERY CONCRETE EXPRESSION OF THIS HOPE, IS THE SPONTANEOUS RESPONSE TO THE CAMPAIGN FOR A PEOPLE'S PEACE PRIZE TO THE LITHUANIAN PRESIDENT LANDSBERGIS AND THE BALTIC PEOPLES.

I APPEAL TO YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, AS NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER, AND AS AN INTERNATIONAL LEADER WHOM MANY IN THIS COUNTRY HITHERTO HAVE CONSIDERED A COURAGEOUS CHAMPION OF JUSTICE AND PEACE, TO RESOLVE THE PRESENT CONFRONTATION IN THE SPIRIT OF THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SOUND DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLE IN THE WRITTEN CONSTITUTION OF THE SOVJET UNION: TO ALLOW EACH REPUBLIC TO DECIDE ABOUT ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNION. ON THIS BACKGROUND, OF THE THREE BALTIC COUNTRIES TO GIVE THESE NATIONS THEIR INDISPUTABLE RIGHT TO DECIDE THEIR OWN FUTURE.  
SINCERELY YOURS,  
PER LOENNING  
BISHOP OF BERGEN, NORWAY.