The Romanian People's Appeal to the United Nations

Special Session on Disarmament

For Disarmament, for a Europe Free of Nuclear Weapons, for a World of Peace

Concerned over the intenstification of the arms race, which poses a serious danger in the peoples' peace and very existence, over the growing threat to peace and security, we the citizens of the Socialist Republic of Romania, the entire Romanian nation, under these very serious international circumstances, are addressing our solemn Appeal to the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament to adopt concrete measures conducive to disarmament, nuclear disarmament in the first place, and the reduction of military expenditure, so that the huge material and human resources released by halting and slowing down the arms race be placed in the service of progress and welfare, of the eradication of economic underdevelopment.

Very much like the other European peoples, the Romanian people firmly demands the cessation of the deployment and development of new medium-range nuclear missiles, the withdrawal and destruction of the ones in place, the complete elimination of nuclear armament from the continent.

Today, the whole mankind is confronted with the problem of choosing between peace and war. Nothing can justify the policy of arming and war.

The United Nations Organisation, all heads of state and government — whose representatives are gathered in this special session — have a great responsibility before their peoples, for the future of human civilization, in freeing the world from the burden of the arms race, from the frightening spectrum of nuclear war, in halting the race to disaster, and safeguarding and consolidating peace.

In the name human existence, of the future of mankind, we are addressing the United Nations Organisation, all states and peoples the call to leave aside all considerations and obstacles and decide the cessation of the arms race and the passage to disarmament, to nuclear disarmament in the first place!

Let us begin disarmament before the first nuclear bombs are dropped! When bombs start being dropped it will be too late!

The Romanian people, alongside all the peoples of the world demands that urgent action should be taken now before it is too late so as to ensure people's fundamental rights — the rights to peace, to life, to freedom!

We must resolutely demand that the voice of the people be heeded and their will to live in peace observed!