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STATEMENT

The Baltic Assembly expresses its deep concern about the threats to use Russian Federation military forces in neighboring countries under the guise of an alleged necessity to protect the human rights of the Russian minorities and Russian-speakers living there, expressed by the Russian Federation's Foreign Minister A.Kozyrev on April 18, 1995.

Drawing the attention of the States of the World and International Organizations to the fact that:

- the Russian Federation often demonstrates through its actions and statements its aggressiveness in the international arena;
- in many of its statements concerning other, especially neighboring, states the Russian Federation is not complying with universally-recognized norms of international law;
- human rights are being violated in the Russian Federation on an extreme scale — its troops are killing civilians; and
- the above mentioned actions of the Russian Federation have not been restrained by the negative reactions of the majority of States and international organizations,

the Baltic Assembly urges all democratic states and international organizations to give an open, clear and unambiguous evaluation of those Russian Federation actions and expressed intentions that violate human rights and pose a threat to the security of other states.

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