

**Letter dated 16 May 1994 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs
of Ukraine**



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З А К О Р Д О Н Н И Х С П Р А В У К Р А І Н И

16 May 1994

Dear Mr. Jennings,

The Government of Ukraine thoroughly studied the Order of the International Court of Justice of 13 September 1993 concerning the WHO's request to the International Court of Justice to give an advisory opinion on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons in armed conflict.

Ukraine as a state which suffered the ruinous and disastrous consequences of Chernobyl nuclear catastrophe and voluntarily declared its intention to become a non nuclear state in the future is deeply convinced that in view of the health and environmental effects the use of nuclear weapons by a State in War or other armed conflict would be a breach of its obligations under international law including the WHO Constitution.

Sincerely yours,


Anatoly Zlenko,
Minister for Foreign
Affairs of Ukraine

H.E. Robert Jennings,
President,
International Court of
Justice

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