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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Estonia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, referring to the General Assembly Resolution 61/31 on Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representations has the honour to report of the violations of the protection, security and safety of the Estonian foreign missions in the Russian Federation and Republic of Belarus during the period of April 27 to May 10, 2007:

Russian Federation, Embassy of the Republic of Estonia in Moscow

- From April 27 to May 3, constant demonstrations took place around the Embassy and residential premises, loud noise and music disturbing the peace and Embassy's work; contrary to the usual practice the local authorities did not inform the Embassy of the planned demonstrations beforehand;
- during this time, access to the Embassy was not controlled by the militia (term used for the police authorities of the Russian Federation) present but by the demonstrators. On April 27, Estonian Ambassador was forced to reenter the Embassy after an abortive attempt to leave the building. On April 29 the members of the Russian youth movements obstructed the entry to the Embassy of an Estonian journalist and a member of Embassy's consular staff. On April 30 they prevented the Russian TV channel Ren-TV to enter the Embassy for an interview with the Ambassador. The militia having been present on those incidents did not provide any help;
- the fence and walls of the Embassy have been vandalised; in the night of 29/30 April the wall of the consular section in Moscow was defaced with swearwords and swastikas;

His Excellency
Secretary-General
of the United Nations
New York