The painful events of June 28th [the assassination of Francis Ferdinand and his wife] show the existence of a secret movement. This movement seeks to take away a part of the territories of Austria-Hungary. It had its birth under the eye of the Serbian government. It has shown itself in a series of outrages and murders on both sides of the Serbian frontier.

The Serbian government has done nothing to stop these acts of terror. It has permitted the criminal schemes of various secret societies directed against Austria-Hungary. It has allowed strong language in the [Serbian] press. It has honored people who committed outrages. It has allowed its officials to take part in the disturbance.

The recent murders were planned in Belgrade [the capital of Serbia]. The arms and explosives of the murderers had been given them by Serbian officers. Their entry into Bosnia was organized by the chiefs of the Serbian frontier service.

The government of Austria-Hungary demands proof that the Serbian government condemns propaganda that is dangerous to Austria-Hungary.

The Serbian government shall publish on the front page of its official journal the following declaration:

"The government of Serbia condemns the propaganda directed against Austria-Hungary. It sincerely regrets the fatal results of these criminal proceedings."

The Serbian government shall also take action:

- 1. to suppress any publication that creates hatred and contempt of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy.
- 2. to dissolve immediately the secret society and to seize all its means of propaganda.
- 3. to eliminate from Serbian schools any teaching that encourages propaganda against Austria-Hungary.
- 4. to remove from the military service all officers guilty of propaganda against the Austro-Hungarian monarchy.
- 5. to work with representatives of the Austro-Hungarian government in Serbia to destroy the secret movement.
- to bring to trial those who helped in the plot. Representatives of the Austro-Hungarian government will take part in the investigation.

The Austro-Hungarian government expects the reply of the Serbian government by 6 o'clock on Saturday evening, July 25.