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LETTER DATED 8 JUNE 1983 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF INDIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO
THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith the text of a statement issued on 8 June 1983 by Her Excellency Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India and Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, regarding the announcement made recently by the racist South African régime confirming the death sentences imposed on three members of the African National Congress of South Africa, and to request that this letter and the enclosed text be distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) T. P. SREENIVASAN
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Annex

Text of a statement issued on 8 June 1983 by the Prime Minister
of India and Chairman of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries

I have learnt with deep sorrow that three African freedom fighters have been condemned to death in Pretoria. Simon Mogoerane, Jerry Mosololi and Thabo Motaung were carrying out the noblest duty of people anywhere, that is, to fight for their right to freedom. My party, the Indian National Congress, and the people of India have always strongly supported their cause.

I appeal for the commutation of their death sentences on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and in the name of humanity.
