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LETTER DATED 22 MAY 1986 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ECUADOR
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to request that you have distributed as a Security Council document the following statement made by the Government of Ecuador concerning the South African aggression against Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe:

"In accordance with Ecuador's traditional policy of rejecting the use of force in international relations, supporting the peaceful settlement of all disputes and condemning any form of racial discrimination, the Government of Ecuador rejects the unjustified attack carried out by South Africa against Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe, affirms its solidarity with the three countries concerned and earnestly hopes that peace and respect for the legitimate rights of the peoples of the region will be restored."

(Signed) Miguel ALBORNOZ
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