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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE
UNITED NATIONS

19 October 1977

Sir,

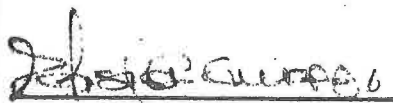
We have the honour to inform you that on 14 October 1977, the Governments of the People's Republic of Angola and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have issued simultaneously a joint communique concerning the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, the text of which is as follows:

The Governments of the People's Republic of Angola and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have agreed to establish bonds of friendship and cooperation on the basis of the principles of mutual respect of national sovereignty, territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of each other, and equal rights.

Desiring to attain this objective, the two Governments have decided to establish formal diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, with effect from today.

The Governments of both countries express the hope that the establishment of diplomatic relations will lead to the development of mutually beneficial cooperation.

We would request you to transmit this communication to States Members of the United Nations, and we take this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of our highest consideration.



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