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LETTER DATED 30 JUNE 1980 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ANGOLA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to convey to Your Excellency the position of the Government of the People's Republic of Angola regarding the continued presence of troops of the racist South African Armed Forces on the territory of Angola.

The acts of armed aggression and the full-scale military invasion carried out by the racist South African troops against the territory and people of Angola through the whole month of June 1980 have resulted in substantial loss of life and property. The people of Angola have faced racist South Africa's guns since November 1976. However, the latest operation, which has been described as South Africa's largest military operation since World War II, continues to this day, as the racist occupation forces remain on sovereign Angolan territory.

In so doing, Excellency, the racist minority régime displays a blatant disregard for the United Nations and the international community, as well as for the institutions of international law. Even after the adoption of the latest Security Council resolution on this issue (475 (1980)) on Friday, 27 June 1980, the racist occupation forces are still in position on Angolan territory.

Excellency, a segment of the international community reacts with haste in certain areas of the world; the same countries are noticeably silent and inactive on a potentially dangerous and explosive situation in southern Africa. The cry of "human rights" is used as diversionary tactics, but the brutal murder of thousands of Angolans by racist troops is met by a deafening silence. Sanctions are imposed when the "national interests" of some Powers are considered to be threatened. But the outright armed aggression and invasion and military occupation by the racist South African régime of Angolan territory appears to cause little concern.

Excellency, the following facts cannot be denied, nor can they be repeated often enough:

- South Africa is ruled by a racist minority régime, which denies to its majority inhabitants fundamental human, political and civil rights;
- The racist régime is in flagrant contravention of scores of United Nations resolutions, those of the Security Council in particular;

- The greatest threat to peace in southern Africa today comes from the racist and imperialistic policies of the minority Pretoria régime. The hegemonistic ambitions of South Africa must be contained for the stability of the region.
- South Africa has demonstrated time and again its intention of sabotaging peace negotiations in southern Africa, especially talks pertaining to Namibian independence;
- South Africa continues to be in illegal occupation of Namibia, whose territory it uses to launch acts of armed aggression and invasion against neighbouring States, in particular the People's Republic of Angola;
- At present, the racist South African troops continue to militarily occupy certain portions of Angolan territory, despite various Security Council resolutions, in particular 475 (1980);
- South Africa's intentions are clear: it hopes to introduce its lackeys, the Angolan puppet groups, by placing them in those areas of Angola that are defined as delimiting the proposed demilitarized zone; South Africa hopes to sabotage the implementation of Security Council resolution 435 (1978).

Excellency, as a State member of the United Nations, as a sovereign State belonging to the international community, the People's Republic of Angola appeals to the international community, through Your Excellency, to effect immediate South African withdrawal from Angola. South Africa, as a member of the United Nations, should be made to show respect for the Charter of the United Nations, in particular through the provisions of Chapter VII of the Charter.

I request, Excellency, that this communication be issued and circulated as a document of the Security Council in connexion with the Question of South African Aggression against the People's Republic of Angola.

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to the United Nations
