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TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT
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Angola, Botswana, Guinea, Netherlands, Senegal, Sweden, United
Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution

Torture and inhuman treatment of children in detention
in South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling the relevant provisions of the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, 1/ the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment 2/ and the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, 3/

Welcoming the holding of the International Conference on Children, Repression and the Law in Apartheid South Africa at Harare, from 24 to 27 September 1987,

Appalled at evidence that children in South Africa are subjected to detention, torture and inhuman treatment,

1. Expresses its profound outrage at reports of the detention, torture and inhuman treatment of children in South Africa;

1/ Resolution 3452 (XXX), annex.

2/ Resolution 39/46, annex.

3/ Resolution 1386 (XIV).

2. Calls upon the South African authorities urgently to release all child detainees in that country;
3. Calls for the immediate dismantlement of the so-called "rehabilitation camps" or "re-education centres";
4. Requests all relevant United Nations bodies and specialized agencies to draw attention to, monitor and expose these inhuman practices;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to make available the final documents of the International Conference on Children, Repression and the Law in Apartheid South Africa to the Commission on Human Rights for action by the Special Rapporteur on Torture.
