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The Permanent Mission of the Polish People's Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his note PO 230 SOAF (2-2-3-1) of 2 July 1980, has the honour to state the following:

The position of principle of the Polish People's Republic with regard to the racist South African régime and its criminal policies of apartheid has always been clearly defined and is a long-standing one, both in the United Nations and elsewhere. As member of the United Nations Council for Namibia, the Polish People's Republic is particularly concerned with those policies and has particularly strong reasons to severely condemn that régime. In this connexion, the following statement may be recalled from the United Nations Declaration on the Preparation of Societies for Life in Peace, initiated by the delegation of the Polish People's Republic during the thirty-third session of the General Assembly: "Every State has the duty to discourage all manifestations and practices of colonialism, as well as racism, racial discrimination and apartheid, as contrary to the right of peoples to self-determination and to other human rights and fundamental

Consequently, the Polish People's Republic has always been applying measures aimed at isolation of the Pretoria régime: it has always been strictly abiding by the provisions of the Security Council resolutions 418 (1977) and 473 (1980) concerning the embargo on the supply of arms to South Africa. It has never maintained any relations with the racist South African régime, be they political, economic or military, and it can only reiterate its demand for appropriate and effective steps to be taken against that régime including sanctions against it as well as prohibition of all forms of nuclear co-operation. The Permanent Mission of the Polish People's Republic requests that this note be issued as a document of the Security Council.
