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LETTER DATED 17 JANUARY 1995 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to request that the annexed joint statement made at the meeting of the Chiefs of Staff of the Angolan Armed Forces and the military forces of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) on 10 January 1995 at Chipipa be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Josefa COELHO da CRUZ
Counsellor
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Annex

Joint statement made at the meeting of the Chiefs of Staff
of the Angolan Armed Forces and the military forces of the
National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA)
on 10 January 1995 at Chipipa

1. The Chiefs of Staff of the Angolan Armed Forces (FAA) and the military forces of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), aware of their responsibilities regarding the success of the peace process in Angola, accept to provide all the necessary assistance for the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II) to carry out its mandate.

2. With a view to ensuring the success of the re-established cease-fire and in accordance with the Lusaka Protocol, they agree on the following:

(a) To ensure the immediate cessation of hostilities throughout the national territory;

(b) To proceed with the demobilization of troops in sensitive areas, where there is established contact, in the following order of priority: Huambo and Uige (priority No. 1); Moxico, Lunda Norte and Lunda Sul (priority No. 2); Malange (priority No. 3); Bailundo and Andulo (priority No. 4). The demobilization shall be carried out in accordance with the criteria established by UNAVEM. Additionally, they agree to cooperate with UNAVEM, in each region, with the objective of coordinating and supervising their immediate demobilization;

(c) To enable the surveying of all the areas proposed for the deployment of United Nations troops, in accordance with the requirements specified by the UNAVEM teams, which will be escorted by representatives of the party holding authority in the territory of the location. In addition to that, they agree to supply all the necessary operational support, including transport and assistance to the UNAVEM teams carrying out the survey, so they can accomplish their mission;

(d) To give immediate permission for the movement of people and goods within the whole national territory. They also commit themselves to starting the operations for the demining of those areas with a greater concentration of land mines and block the access of people to such areas;

(e) To cooperate with UNAVEM in order to establish its monitoring and verification teams, particularly by appointing a liaison officer for the region and permitting access by UNAVEM to all areas in the country;

(f) To ensure the cessation of all kinds of hostile propaganda between the parties or directed at UNAVEM. To accomplish this, the media, both on the government side and on the UNITA side, shall stop immediately the dissemination and broadcasting of any propaganda material that might jeopardize the peace process;

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(g) To establish three-way communications in accordance with the UNAVEM requirements, within 48 hours, effective 12 January 1995;

(h) To release all military prisoners detained and retained as a result of the conflict. The list of the military prisoners shall be supplied to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) at the next meeting;

(i) To form joint work teams for the land-mine deactivation operations, appoint liaison officers and lend all the necessary assistance to UNAVEM, such as providing information on the land-mines, surveying operations and mine deactivation.

Chipipa, 10 January 1995

For the Government of Angola

(Signed)

Gen. Joao BATISTA de MATOS
Gen. Chief of Staff of FAA

For UNITA

(Signed)

Gen. Arlindo Isaac CHENDA PENA "BEN-BEN"
Gen. Chief of Staff of the UNITA
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For UNAVEM

(Signed)

Gen. Chris Abutu GARUBA
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