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The meeting was called to order at 4.10 p.m.

EXPRESSION OF WELCOME TO THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF SENEGAL

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from French): On behalf of the members of the Council I extend a warm welcome to our new colleague, Her Excellency Mrs. Absa Claude Diallo, Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations. We look forward to co-operating with her in the work of the Council.

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from French): Before we adopt the agenda, I should like to say how pleased I am that the Norwegian Parliament has bestowed on the United Nations Peace-keeping Forces the Nobel Peace Prize for this year.

We are particularly happy at this event since this is one of the most important, most difficult and most delicate of United Nations activities. Perhaps this is a good opportunity for me to note the Security Council's gratification not only at being rewarded for some of the efforts it has made, but at this expression of international gratitude which has been bestowed on all those who - in several parts of the world, in difficult circumstances and sometimes, unfortunately, at the risk of their lives - have assumed the peace-keeping missions entrusted to them.

I am sure I interpret the feelings of all members of the Security Council when I ask the Secretary-General to convey our deep satisfaction to all those who are serving in the Peace-keeping Forces.

## DOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

## THE SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

LETTER DATED 27 SEPTEMBER 1988 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ZAMBIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL (S/20203)

The PRESIDENT (interpretation from French): The Security Council will begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

On 27 September several Security Council members called upon the Security Council to meet on 29 September to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of resolution 435 (1978). Following consultations among Security Council members, have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the members of the Security Council:

Ten years ago, on 29 September 1978, the Security Council adopted resolution 435 (1978) in order to ensure an early independence of Namibia, through free elections under the supervision and control of the United Nations.

The members of the Security Council express grave concern that such a long time after the adoption of resolution 435 (1978), the Namibian people have not yet attained their self-determination and independence.

Reaffirming the pertinent resolutions of the Security Council and the legal responsibility of the United Nations on Namibia, the members of the Council once again call upon South Africa to comply at last with these resolutions and to cease its illegal occupation of Namibia. In this respect, they stress the Security Council's continuing commitment to discharge its particular responsibility for furthering the interests of the people of Namibia and their aspirations for peace, justice and independence through a full and definite implementation of resolution 435 (1978).

(The President)

They support the resolute action led by the Secretary-General with a view to the implementation of Security Council resolution 435 (1978) and encourage him to continue his efforts to that end.

The Security Council takes note of developments in recent weeks in efforts by a number of parties to find a peaceful solution to the conflict in south-western Africa that are reflected in the Joint Statement of 8 August by the Governments of Angola, Cuba, South Africa and the United States, which has been circulated as a Security Council document (S/20109).

The Council further notes the expressed readiness of the South West Africa People's Organization to sign and observe a cease-fire agreement with South Africa, as stated in document S/20129 of 17 August 1988, in order to pave the way for the implementation of resolution 435 (1978). On this tenth anniversary of the adoption of resolution 435 (1978), its early implementation is the common aspiration of the international community. The members of the Council urge the parties to display the necessary political will to translate the commitments they have made into reality in order to bring about a peaceful settlement of the Namibian question and peace and stability in the region.

In particular, they strongly urge South Africa to comply forthwith with the Council's resolutions and decisions, particularly resolution 435 (1978), and co-operate with the Secretary-General in its immediate, full and definitive implementation. To this end, the Security Council urges States Members of the United Nations to render all necessary assistance to the Secretary-General and his staff in the administrative and other practical steps necessary for the emplacement of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group.

That concludes the present stage of the Security Council's consideration of this item.

The meeting rose at 4.20 p.m.