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Letter dated 22 May 1981 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to document A/36/253-S/14479, I have the honour to enclose a copy of the letter I have sent today to the Chairman of the Special Committee against Apartheid concerning his statement of 11 May on a conference which is being organized at Buenos Aires by private entities to discuss, inter alia, a South Atlantic military alliance.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 32 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Carlos A. Bettencourt BUENO
Deputy Permanent Representative of
Brazil to the United Nations
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

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ANNEX

Letter dated 22 May 1981 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations
addressed to the Chairman of the Special Committee
against Apartheid

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 12 May 1981, in which you enclosed the text of a statement on a conference which is being organized at Buenos Aires by private associations to discuss, inter alia, a South Atlantic military alliance including the racist régime of South Africa. In your letter you state the hope of the Special Committee against Apartheid that all Governments concerned will dissociate themselves fully from the proposed conference.

On behalf of my Government, I wish to assure the Special Committee that Brazil has never been associated with that event, which is being organized by private non-Brazilian institutions. The Brazilian Government, consequently, will not send any representative to the meeting at Buenos Aires. The incidental participation of Brazilian citizens, in a private capacity, cannot be prevented by Brazilian law. Brazilian citizens may visit Argentina without visas and without passports, using only their identity cards. The position of the Brazilian Government contrary to the undertaking of military alliances with the Government of Pretoria is well known and remains unaltered, as the Permanent Representative of Brazil had the opportunity to reiterate to you in his letter of 1 April 1981.

(Signed) Carlos A. Bettencourt BUENO
Deputy Permanent Representative of
Brazil to the United Nations
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
