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Letter dated 27 May 1981 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that, in commemoration of Africa Liberation Day, His Excellency Mr. João Figueiredo, the President of Brazil, sent the following message to the International Conference on Sanctions against South Africa:

"On this day in which we celebrate the liberation of Africa, I wish to express the solidarity of the Brazilian nation with the peoples of Africa. In addition to our cultural similarities, brought about by the variety of influences Africa has had on the development of our country, we, Africans and Brazilians alike, share in the struggle to overcome the unjust economic inequalities between nations, so that we may attain a future of dignity and well-being for future generations.

"We are thus particularly sensitive to the African peoples' combating the practices of the racist South African régime that imposes its domination and occupation of Namibia in contravention of international law and United Nations resolutions and against Africa."

I would appreciate it if this text could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 32 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Carlos A. Bettencourt BUENO
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