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Note verbale dated 5 June 1981 from the Permanent Mission of Cuba
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations, in its capacity as Chairman of the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to request him to circulate as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 31 and 32 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council the annexed communiqué adopted by the Extraordinary Plenary Meeting of the Non-Aligned Countries on 4 June 1981.

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ANNEX

Communiqué

Adopted by the Extraordinary Plenary Meeting of the
Non-Aligned Countries on 4 June 1981

The Plenary Meeting of the Non-Aligned Countries held in New York on June 4, 1981, noted with extreme concern the latest escalation of barbaric attacks by the two racist regimes in Tel Aviv and Pretoria against the Palestinian refugee camps in South Lebanon and the heroic people of South Africa. The attacks resulted in the death of innocent civilians, women and children and extensive damage to property. In South Lebanon, Israeli forces have flagrantly violated the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of a State member of our Movement.

The Meeting recalled that the Non-Aligned Sixth Summit Conference considered that aggression carried out by land, sea and air, as tantamount to genocide of the Lebanese people and the Palestine refugees with Israel using the most sophisticated weapons supplied by the United States of America.

The Meeting noted with grave concern the recent statements emanating from Washington in support of the policies and practices of the racist regimes of Pretoria and Tel Aviv. The support of some of the major western powers is responsible for the persistence of both regimes in their intransigent and arrogant defiance of world opinion.

The Meeting further recalled that the Ministerial Meeting reaffirmed their earlier decision to lend their full support to Lebanon in all international forums and organizations, particularly the United Nations, with a view to safeguarding its unity, independence and territorial integrity.

In South Africa the terrorist and racist Pretoria regime has intensified its repression as a reaffirmation of its fascist character on the twentieth anniversary of the racist so-called republic and on the eve of the Anniversary of the Soweto uprising.

The Meeting condemned in the strongest terms these escalated attacks which are launched at the same time and are aimed at the

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denial of the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people and the oppressed people of South Africa.

The Meeting recalled that the Sixth Summit declared that freedom, peace, security and progress cannot be achieved in southern Africa unless the apartheid system of institutionalized racial discrimination, exploitation and oppression is crushed and is replaced by a democratic state whose policy will conform to the principles of the OAU, the Non-Aligned Movement and the United Nations.

The Meeting reiterated its unswerving solidarity with the struggle of the Palestinian and oppressed South African peoples and renews its appeal to all States and international organizations to exert pressure upon South Africa and Israel with a view to bringing to an end such savage attacks.

New York, 4 June 1981
