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LETTER DATED 7 NOVEMBER 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
MONGOLIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Mongolian People's Republic dated 4 November 1978.

I should be grateful if this statement could be circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

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Permanent Representative of
the Mongolian People's Republic
to the United Nations

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Statement dated 4 November 1978 by the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs of Mongolia

Remnants of colonialism and racist régimes continue to exist in Africa solely because of the military and political support of the United States and other NATO States. The major Western Powers, in collusion with the racist régimes, are attempting to perpetuate the colonial racist order in southern Africa, to maintain their shaky position and protect their multi-billion capital investments in that strategically important part of the globe. The political manoeuvres of the NATO countries in connexion with the problem of Namibia, which have been increasingly active in recent times, are all part of these neo-colonialist efforts.

As a result of the intrigues of the forces of imperialism and reaction a tense situation continues to prevail and is even growing more serious in this area and in the whole of southern Africa. In spite of the decisions of the United Nations terminating South Africa's mandate to administer Namibia as long ago as 1966, the South African racists are continuing to occupy that country and are intensifying their policy of terror and repression against the Namibian people, trying to liquidate their sole legitimate representative, SWAPO. On the other hand the South African authorities and their supporters are resorting to a variety of machinations under the specious pretence of seeking a "peaceful solution".

The unlawful activities of the South African colonizers and racists are clearly designed to prevent the liberation of Namibia altogether and, if that plan fails, to preserve, by means of partial "changes", the present colonial and racist order through the creation of a puppet régime, and to extend the inhuman system of apartheid to Namibia. These are the real purposes underlying the plans for a settlement of the Namibia problem, now proposed by the five Western Powers.

The so-called mediation activities are not merely uncondusive to the achievement of a truly just solution of the Namibian question but are actually contrary to the interests of the struggle of the peoples of southern Africa and the consolidation of the unity of the African peoples, and of their solidarity with the socialist community and with all peace-loving, anti-imperialist and anti-colonial forces in the world.

The Mongolian people resolutely condemn the manoeuvres of the Western countries in connexion with the problem of Namibia, which go against the vital interests of its people. The Mongolian People's Republic strongly advocates the further strict application of sanctions against the Pretoria régime and also the adoption of effective measures to isolate South Africa internationally.

The Government and people of the Mongolian People's Republic demand the complete cessation of the illegal occupation of Namibia and the unconditional

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granting of national independence to the Namibian people and also the immediate withdrawal of occupation troops, police forces and mercenaries from that country and the discontinuance of all support for and assistance to the apartheid régime.

The working people of the Mongolian People's Republic express their full support for the Namibian people in their struggle for the realization of their inalienable right to freedom, self-determination and national independence.
