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LETTER DATED 18 MARCH 1977 FROM THE ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have been instructed by the Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, H.E. Mr. William Eteki Mboumoua, to convey to you the following message on the occasion of the Security Council deliberations on the questions of Southern Rhodesia and of South Africa in the next few days:

"President of the Security Council
Mr. Andrew Young
United Nations, New York

"During the next few days your Council will be preoccupied with the burning problems of Southern Rhodesia and South Africa. The OAU expects nothing short of widening present economic sanctions against the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia and the imposition of economic sanctions and a mandatory arms embargo against apartheid South Africa from your Council meetings. Your presidency of the Security Council at a time when your Government has just repealed the Byrd amendment on the importation of chrome from Southern Rhodesia is a good omen and a signal of the high expectation which the forthcoming debates should bring. We trust, therefore, that you will make your presidency of the Security Council an historic one by seeing to it that the resolutions on Southern Rhodesia and South Africa coming before the Council are carried. This is the only eloquent way the Council can demonstrate its abhorrence of the monstrous régimes in Southern Rhodesia and South Africa and its determination to bring about the needed changes in southern Africa. Wishing you every success.

"William Eteki Mboumoua, OAU Sec. Gen."

(Signed) Mustafa SAM
Ag. Executive Secretary
of OAU to the United Nations
