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LETTER DATED 9 AUGUST 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to refer to your note of 18 May 1978 and to reaffirm that the People's Republic of Angola does not have any relations, whether political, economic, commercial or otherwise, with the illegal racist minority régime of South Africa.

The provisions of paragraph 3 of resolution 418 (1977) do not apply to the Government of the People's Republic of Angola, since it has never had any contractual relations with South Africa, either in the field of armaments or otherwise; nor has the Government of the People's Republic of Angola ever granted to South Africa any co-operation or facilities for the manufacture and maintenance of arms, ammunition of all types and military equipment and vehicles.

The Government of the People's Republic of Angola considers it a foremost duty to observe the mandatory arms embargo against South Africa and does not engage in the export of arms or related matériel to the apartheid régime in South Africa.

I request Your Excellency to circulate the text of this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Elisio de FIGUEIREDO
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and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
to the United Nations