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NOTE VERBALE DATED 3 JANUARY 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ICELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of Iceland to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the Secretary-General's note of 10 November 1977 (PO 230 SOAF) referring to resolution 418 (1977) adopted by the Security Council on 4 November 1977 on "The Question of South Africa" and requesting, in furtherance of paragraph 6 of that resolution, information on the measures taken by the Icelandic Government in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

The Permanent Representative is instructed to inform the Secretary-General of the following:

1. Iceland does not provide South Africa with arms or related matériel of any type and does not provide any type of equipment or supplies, or grant licensing arrangements, for the manufacture or maintenance of arms or related matériel;
2. Iceland has no contractual arrangements with and has granted no licences to South Africa relating to the manufacture and maintenance of arms, ammunition and military equipment and vehicles;
3. Iceland does not co-operate in any way with South Africa in the manufacture and development of nuclear weapons.

The Permanent Representative would, in this connexion, recall that under the terms of Law No. 5 of 27 February 1969 concerning the implementation of the decisions of the Security Council, the Icelandic Government is empowered to take such measures as are necessary to carry out binding decisions of the Security Council under Articles 39 and 41 of the Charter of the United Nations. Should a change in circumstances occur so that a violation of the provisions of resolution 418 (1977) would appear likely, the Icelandic Government would act in accordance with the aforementioned law to take the necessary measures.

The Permanent Representative of Iceland has the honour to request that this note verbale be circulated as a document of the Security Council.
