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NOTE VERBALE DATED 27 APRIL 1978 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.  
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC TO THE  
UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Chargé d'Affaires a.i., of the Syrian Arab Republic presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, in reference to His Excellency's note No. PO 230 SOAF dated 29 March 1978, has the honour to state the following:

The Syrian Arab Republic has consistently opposed the apartheid system and has never had relations of any kind with the racist régime of South Africa. The Syrian Arab Republic has always expressed its unequivocal support for the people of South Africa in their just struggle to put an end to the apartheid régime and for liberation and national independence. The Syrian Arab Republic has fully complied with all General Assembly and Security Council resolutions in this regard and welcomes resolution 418 (1977) and calls for its strict implementation by Member States. Moreover, it believes that a quick eradication of the system of apartheid does not only require a mandatory military embargo but also a mandatory economic embargo.

The Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Syrian Arab Republic would be grateful if this communication could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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