



UNITED NATIONS  
SECURITY  
COUNCIL



Distr.  
GENERAL

S/12596  
13 March 1978

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

---

NOTE VERBALE DATED 9 MARCH 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of Iran to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his note of 10 November 1977 requesting the member Governments to comply with the provisions of Security Council resolution 418 (1977), establishing a mandatory arms embargo against South Africa, has the honour to state the following:

The Government of Iran, during the period in which the United Nations has been dealing with the problem of racial discrimination, has never failed to state its opposition to this cruel policy, and has strictly observed the relevant resolutions of the Security Council regarding the situation in southern Africa. Furthermore it has always been the firm belief and conviction of the Imperial Government of Iran that the policy of apartheid is an evil policy which cannot be tolerated by the human community. The Government of Iran has always associated itself with the condemnation of this repressive policy, and will in the future comply with any resolution which would be adopted by the Security Council to this end.

In this respect we are happy to note that the Security Council recently adopted resolution 418 (1977) establishing a mandatory arms embargo against South Africa.

While stating that Iran has never engaged in arms transaction with South Africa and that it will never involve itself in such transactions in the future, the Government of Iran hereby announces its full support for all measures recommended in the aforementioned resolutions and once against reiterates that it will scrupulously adhere to their provisions.

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

-----