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The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions on the question of Southern Rhodesia and in particular resolution 415 (1977) of 29 September 1977,

Reaffirming that the continued existence of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia is a source of insecurity and instability in the region and constitutes a serious threat to international peace and security,

Gravely concerned over the continued military operations by the illegal régime, including its acts of aggression against neighbouring independent States,

Indignant at the continued executions of freedom fighters by the illegal régime,

Considering the need for urgent measures to terminate the illegal régime and establish a Government based on majority rule,

1. Condemns all attempts and manoeuvres by the illegal régime aimed at the retention of power by a racist minority and at preventing the achievement of independence by Zimbabwe;
2. Declares as illegal and unacceptable any internal settlement under the auspices of the illegal régime and calls upon all States not to accord any recognition to such settlement;
3. Further declares that the speedy termination of the illegal régime and the replacement of its military and police forces is the first prerequisite for the restoration of legality in Southern Rhodesia so that arrangements may be made for a peaceful and democratic transition to genuine majority rule and independence in 1978;
4. Declares also that such arrangements as envisaged in paragraph 3 include the holding of free and fair elections on the basis of universal adult suffrage under United Nations supervision;

5. Calls upon the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to take all measures necessary to bring to an end the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia and to effect the genuine decolonization of the territory in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and other United Nations resolutions;

6. Considers that, with the assistance of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the United Kingdom as the administering Power should enter into immediate consultations with the parties concerned in order to attain the objectives of genuine decolonization of the territory through the implementation of paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 above;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to report, not later than 15 April 1978, on the results of the implementation of this resolution.

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