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LETTER DATED 26 JANUARY 1976 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, A.I., OF
THE PERMANENT MISSION OF UGANDA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour, upon instructions from my Government, to forward to you in connexion with the forthcoming Security Council debate on Namibia, the following message which I am informed reflects the official OAU position:

"1. INDEPENDENCE FOR THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA CANNOT BE COMPROMISED; THEREFORE, SOUTH AFRICA MUST WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY HER ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF THE TERRITORY AND MUST REPEAL HER OPPRESSIVE LAWS.

"2. THE SITUATION IN NAMIBIA IS A THREAT TO PEACE AND THE SECURITY COUNCIL MUST PRONOUNCE ITSELF ON THIS. THE THREE PERMANENT MEMBERS, NAMELY, FRANCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA SHOULD EXAMINE THEIR CONSCIENCE AND FACE REALITY. THE SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD CALL FOR THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 7 OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER.

"3. THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF NAMIBIA MUST BE PRESERVED AND SOUTH AFRICA'S POLICY OF BANTUSTANISATION CANNOT BE TOLERATED.

"4. SWAPO IS THE SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA. CHIEFS ARE PUPPETS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN REGIME AND, THEREFORE, ANY MEANINGFUL TALKS MUST INVOLVE SWAPO REPRESENTATIVES. UNLESS THE WORLD BODY AND SOUTH AFRICA RECOGNIZE SWAPO'S POSITION, THE OAU AND ALL PEACE-LOVING COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD WILL ASSIST HER IN ATTAINING AND DEMONSTRATING HER LEGITIMATE RIGHTS THROUGH ARMED STRUGGLE.

"5. THE ILLEGAL EXPLOITATION OF NAMIBIA'S NATURAL RESOURCES MUST BE STOPPED. MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD ABIDE BY DECREE NO. 1, PROMULGATED BY THE COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA. THE WESTERN COUNTRIES AND JAPAN HAVE STRENGTHENED SOUTH AFRICA'S ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF THE TERRITORY AND, THEREFORE, THEY SHOULD BE CALLED UPON TO CUT OFF THEIR DIPLOMATIC AND TRADE LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA, WHICH AFFECT THE TERRITORY. THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY SHOULD IN PARTICULAR CONSIDER WINDING UP HER CONSULATE IN NAMIBIA AS THIS IS THE MOST TELLING DIPLOMATIC APPROVAL OF SOUTH AFRICA'S OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA.

"6. INCREASED ARMS SUPPLY TO SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD BE CONDEMNED AS IT STRENGTHENS HER STRONGHOLD ON THE TERRITORY.

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"7. THE USE OF THE TERRITORY OF NAMIBIA TO CARRY ON AGGRESSION AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF ANGOLA MUST BE CONDEMNED."

I should be grateful if this communication were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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