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NOTE VERBALE DATED 31 MARCH 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BOTSWANA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Botswana to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to transmit the enclosed letter dated 1 February 1978 from the office of the Minister of External Affairs concerning resolution 418 (1977) adopted by the Security Council on 4 November 1977 on "The Question of South Africa".

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Botswana to the United Nations has the honour to request that this communication be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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## Annex

Letter dated 1 February 1978 from the office of the Minister of External Affairs of Botswana addressed to the Secretary-General

I have been instructed to respond to your communication referenced PO 230 SOAF of 10 November 1977 concerning resolution 418 (1977) adopted by the Security Council on 4 November 1977 on "The Question of South Africa".

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The Botswana Government wishes to state that Botswana has no relations whatsoever with South Africa of a military nature nor does it contemplate establishing such relations in the future so long as South Africa continues to adhere to the policy of <u>apartheid</u> and to deny the basic human rights to the majority of its citizens.

(Signed) D. RENDOH for MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS