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LETTER DATED 25 APRIL 1978 FROM THE TECHNICAL CO-ORDINATOR OF
THE MINISTRY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE COMOROS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to refer to your communication PO 230 SOAF of 29 March 1978 and to Security Council resolution 418 (1977) on the question of South Africa.

Since the Comoros acceded to independence, they have come into confrontation with a founding member of the Organization and, moreover, a permanent member of the Security Council, France, which is trying to impose itself by force through the military occupation of the Comorian island of Mayotte.

Again, it is France which, in southern Africa, is bent on maintaining the presence of racism and the policy of apartheid in South Africa.

The Comoros have always held the position that they must fight with the modest means at their disposal for the full and genuine liberation of Africa, and it is in keeping with this position and with the sacred principle of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity that the Comoros have decided not to have economic, trade or political relations with the racist régime of South Africa.

(Signed) Salim HALIFA
TECHNICAL CO-ORDINATOR