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TELEGRAM DATED 18 JUNE 1976 FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF MADAGASCAR ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Mr. Secretary-General, the outburst of violence now being manifested at Soweto and several other places in South Africa is nothing but the logical and inevitable consequence of the legal violence inflicted for decades by the white minority on the black majority of that country. The very intensity of the demonstrations by the African population makes clear to the entire world the depth of the African masses' despair in the face of unjust laws designed not only to perpetuate white power in the political and economic fields but also to alienate the Africans culturally by imposing upon them a way of thinking completely alien to their own culture. In view of the merciless repression of the rebelling African population, the Supreme Council of the Revolution, the Government and the people of Madagascar denounce the savage and criminal acts perpetrated by the white minority of South Africa, which may exceed in horror and in defiance of world opinion the Sharpeville massacre of 1960. In order to avert in time a general war in southern Africa, I urge you: (1) To convene the Security Council as a matter of urgency; (2) To call upon all nations, and more particularly upon the developed countries, to implement the relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council, that is, to put an immediate and unconditional stop to all economic and military assistance to South Africa.

(Signed) Didier RATSIKA
President of the Democratic
Republic of Madagascar