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LETTER DATED 24 APRIL 1979 FROM THE ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
NATIONS COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you the attached statement regarding "the decision for an interim government" by the illegal Constituent Assembly of South West Africa with the request that it be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Acting President
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Annex

Statement dated 24 April 1979 by the Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia concerning the setting up by South Africa through its puppets of a so-called interim government in Namibia

The Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia wishes to draw attention to the intensified attempts of the racist South African régime to proceed with the imposition of a puppet régime in Namibia in contravention of the various resolutions of the Security Council and the General Assembly. In this regard the Acting President of the Council for Namibia wishes to refer to the recent so-called decision of the illegal "Constituent Assembly" orchestrated by South Africa in Namibia to set up a so-called "interim government" for Namibia by the middle of May 1979.

In promoting these persistent and treacherous attempts to perpetuate its illegal colonial and racist exploitation of the people and the resources of Namibia by misrepresenting the genuine aspirations of the Namibian people, South Africa is manoeuvring to attain de facto recognition for its puppets and stooges in Namibia and to deprive the people of the Territory of their inalienable rights to self-determination and genuine national independence.

The United Nations Council for Namibia strongly condemns the latest manoeuvre of South Africa to set up a so-called "interim government" in Namibia and reaffirms in the strongest possible terms its rejection of all the persistent and treacherous attempts made by the racist régime of South Africa designed to promote the political interests of its puppets and quislings in Namibia in an effort to ensure the perpetuation of its control of the Territory.

The Council for Namibia recalls General Assembly resolution 33/182 of 21 December 1978 and Security Council resolution 439 (1978) in which the so-called elections organized unilaterally by South Africa last December were categorically condemned and declared illegal, null and void. It therefore follows that any action taken by the so-called "Constituent Assembly" established as a result of that illegal election is itself illegal, null and void and of absolutely no relevance to the future of Namibia.

The Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia wishes to call the particular attention of the Security Council to these dastardly acts of deception and desperation perpetuated by the illegal racist régime of South Africa in Namibia.

The Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia moreover appeals to the international community to remain vigilant and continue to reject and denounce South Africa's manoeuvres designed to perpetuate its stranglehold over Namibia.

Finally, the Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia further reiterates the unreserved support of the United Nations Council for Namibia for the people of Namibia under the leadership of SWAPO, their sole and authentic representative in their just struggle for self-determination, freedom and national independence in a united Namibia.
