

Security Council

3755th Meeting Friday, 21 March 1997, 3.30 p.m. New York Provisional

President:	Mr. Wlosowicz	(Poland)
Members:	Chile	Mr. Somavía
	China	Mr. Wang Xuexian
	Costa Rica	Mr. Sáenz Murillo
	Egypt	Mr. Abdel Aziz
	France	Mr. Ladsous
	Guinea-Bissau	Mr. Da Gama
	Japan	Mr. Konishi
	Kenya	
	Portugal	Mr. Soares
	Republic of Korea	Mr. Choi
	Russian Federation	
	Sweden	Mr. Lidén
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Richmond
	United States of America	Mr. Richardson

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The situation in Angola

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III) (S/1997/239)

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The meeting was called to order at 3.40 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on the agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III), document S/1997/239.

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council takes note of the report of the Secretary-General of 19 March 1997 (S/1997/239) and once again expresses its deep concern that the Government of Unity and National Reconciliation (GURN) has not yet been established, owing primarily to the failure of the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA) to send all of its officials to Luanda as previously agreed. The Council reminds UNITA of its obligations in accordance with the provisions of the Lusaka Protocol (S/1994/1441, annex) and subsequent agreements between the two parties. "The Security Council expresses its full support for the Secretary-General in his mission to Angola to assess the situation and impress upon the parties the need to establish the GURN without any further delay. It calls upon the parties, in particular UNITA, to cooperate fully with the Secretary-General, his Special Representative, and the Observer States and to use the occasion of the Secretary-General's visit to install the GURN.

"The Security Council remains actively seized of the matter and recalls that, in accordance with resolution 1098 (1997) of 27 February 1997, it will consider the imposition of measures, including inter alia, those specifically mentioned in paragraph 26 of resolution 864 (1993) of 15 September 1993, against the party responsible for the failure to form the GURN. The Council, following the next report of the Secretary-General, will also consider the role of the United Nations in Angola after the expiration of the current mandate of UNAVEM III on 31 March 1997 on the basis of the progress made by the parties to full implementation of their commitments under the 'Acordos de Paz' (S/22609, annex) and the Lusaka Protocol (S/1994/1441, annex) as well as their obligations under the relevant Security Council resolutions."

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The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The meeting rose at 3.45 p.m.