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LETTER DATED 27 AUGUST 1981 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to draw your attention to a matter which threatens international peace and security, namely, the most recent and vicious armed invasion of the People's Republic of Angola by the racist armed forces of South Africa.

In my two most recent communications (30 July 1981, addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/14623), and 23 June 1981 (S/14571) addressed to the Secretary-General) I conveyed to the international community the concern of my Government regarding the acts of war being regularly perpetrated by the racist régime in South Africa against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the People's Republic of Angola. I conveyed also by Government's warning that South Africa's nefarious designs in Namibia and acts of aggression against the People's Republic of Angola, and its attempts to destabilize the sovereign Governments in southern Africa constitute a most serious and immediate threat to the area.

The most recent attack by the racist régime of South Africa has resulted in the loss of life, destruction of property, and has created a situation unacceptable to Africa. South African troops are still deep inside Angolan territory and continue to occupy various areas.

This latest attack is viewed by my Government as an attempt to establish a fait accompli which is categorically unacceptable to us. Such manoeuvres also violate the principles of the Organization of African Unity and the Charter of the United Nations.

In view of the seriousness of the situation, my Government has instructed me to request an urgent meeting of the Security Council, before the situation deteriorates further.

In accordance with Article 31 of the United Nations Charter, my delegation requests permission to participate in the meeting of the Security Council, without the right to vote.

(Signed) Elisio de FIGUEIREDO  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative