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Letter dated 28 August 1981 from the Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the attached statement issued today, 28 August 1981, in which I, in the name of the United Nations Council for Namibia and in my capacity as Acting President of that Council, denounce the recent invasion of the People's Republic of Angola by South Africa.

I should like to request that the statement be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 36 of the provisional agenda and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Natarajan KRISHNAN
Acting President of the
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## ANNEX

## Statement issued on 28 August 1981 by the Acting President of the United Nations Council for Namibia, condemning the recent invasion of Angola by South Africa

- 1. The United Nations Council for Namibia has learned with extreme concern that racist South Africa has once again used Namibia as a spring-board to commit a massive armed aggression against the People's Republic of Angola.
- 2. The recent invasion, mounted with a massive force of two South African motorized columns using 32 tanks, 82 armoured vehicles and 8 South African jet bombers which have penetrated deep into Angolan territory, is a flagrant violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Angola. The tragic loss of life and destruction of property which this invasion must inevitably entail cannot be over-emphasized. This illegal and criminal action by the Pretoria régime is proof of its continuing contempt for world opinion and its disregard for international law.
- 3. Moreover, coming as it does at the present juncture when the international community is seeking a peaceful solution to the Namibian question, South Africa's action is a direct affront to the international community and is a menace to peace and stability in the region.
- 4. The United Nations Council for Namibia unreservedly condemns this aggression by South Africa, which is fraught with dire consequences for international peace and security.
- 5. The United Nations Council for Namibia calls upon the international community, and the Security Council in particular, to take the strongest measures against South Africa, as provided for in the Charter of the United Nations, in order to halt these developments, which are detrimental to peace and security in the area.