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LETTER DATED 9 JUNE 1978 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
AGAINST APARTHEID ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On behalf of the Special Committee against Apartheid, I wish to draw your attention to the grave situation resulting from the continued military build-up in South Africa and the plans of the apartheid régime to acquire nuclear weapon capability.

In pursuance of paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 32/105 F of 14 December 1977, the Special Committee has followed the developments concerning the military and nuclear collaboration with the racist régime of South Africa, especially since the adoption of Security Council resolution 418 (1977) of 4 November 1977, imposing a mandatory arms embargo against South Africa. It held several hearings on the matter and devoted two meetings on 30 May, with the participation of a number of experts, to review all aspects of this question.

In pursuance of a decision of the Special Committee, I am herewith transmitting, for the attention of the Security Council, the summary records of the above meetings (A/AC.115/SR.382 and 383).*

In the light of the information and suggestions made at these meetings, the Special Committee considers it essential to draw the attention of the Security Council to the urgent need for further action to ensure the full implementation of the arms embargo against South Africa, and to prevent the apartheid régime from acquiring nuclear weapon capability.

It wishes to draw particular attention to the need for mandatory decisions, under Chapter VII of the Charter, to prevent all military co-operation with the apartheid régime and any form of co-operation with it in the nuclear field. It recalls the request by the General Assembly in paragraph 3 of resolution 32/105 F of 14 December 1977, to the Security Council that it call upon all States, under Chapter VII of the Charter and irrespective of any existing contracts:

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- (a) To refrain from any supply of arms, ammunition, military equipment or vehicles, or spare parts thereof, to South Africa, without any exceptions;
- (b) To ensure that such supplies do not reach South Africa through other countries;
- (c) To refrain from importing any military equipment or supplies manufactured by, or in collaboration with, South Africa;
- (d) To cease any exchange of military, naval or air attachés with South Africa;
- (e) To terminate any form of military co-operation with South Africa;
- (f) To revoke all licences and terminate all technical assistance for the manufacture of military equipment and supplies in South Africa;
- (g) To end all transfer of nuclear equipment or fissionable material or technology to South Africa;
- (h) To prohibit companies, institutions or agencies within their jurisdiction from any co-operation with South Africa, directly or through participation in companies registered in South Africa, in its military build-up or nuclear development;
- (i) To prevent their nationals from working in South Africa in establishments producing supplies for military and police forces, or engaged in nuclear development;
- (j) To deny visas to South African military and police personnel and persons engaged in nuclear research and development.

The Special Committee hopes, especially in view of the continued acts of aggression by the apartheid régime, that the Security Council will consider the situation, and take further action to ensure the immediate termination of all military and nuclear collaboration with the apartheid régime.

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