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NOTE VERBALE DATED 29 MAY 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT  
REPRESENTATIVE OF COSTA RICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to reply to his note verbale PO 230 SOAF (2-2-5) of 18 May 1978, which refers to resolution 418 (1977) on the question of South Africa, adopted unanimously by the Security Council on 4 November 1977.

With respect to paragraph 3 of that resolution, to which the Secretary-General draws the attention of Governments at the request of the Security Council Committee established under resolution 421 (1977) on the question of South Africa, the Permanent Representative of Costa Rica wishes to reiterate the terms of the note addressed to the Secretary-General on 3 April 1978, which appears in document S/12649, concerning the Costa Rican Government's firm and constant support of resolution 418 (1977).

He also wishes to emphasize that Costa Rica does not have contractual arrangements of any kind with South Africa and has not granted and will not grant licences to South Africa relating to the manufacture and maintenance of arms, ammunition of all types and military equipment and vehicles - firstly because it continues co-operating and will co-operate in the commitment strictly to apply the above-mentioned resolution 418 (1977) and secondly because Costa Rica does not possess, manufacture or traffic in any kind of arms or military implements.

It would be greatly appreciated if this note could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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