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The African Group received with concern the news of the proclamation by the Pretoria régime on 4 December 1981 of the so-called independence of yet another bantustan. This action by the racist minority régime of South Africa, following similar proclamations in the past, is designed to divide and dispossess the African people and establish client states under its domination in order to perpetuate its abominable policy of apartheid.

In view of this, the African Group would be grateful if you could kindly undertake consultations among the members of the Security Council in order that, in keeping with precedent, appropriate actions may be taken by the Council.

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