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LETTER DATED 11 MARCH 1982 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF LESOTHO TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour upon instructions of my Government to inform Your Excellency that a mortar attack was launched today at 2.45 a.m. on the headquarters of the Lesotho Paramilitary Force in Maseru from the South African side of the border. After the attack the insurgents boarded vehicles and retreated into the interior of South Africa.

The Lesotho Government has in the past made several protests to the Government of South Africa in the interest of peace and stability in the Southern African region and also in the interest of good neighbourliness urging them not to allow South African territory to be used for armed attacks and acts of sabotage against Lesotho.

South Africa cannot escape the responsibility for acts of violence emanating from its territory and the consequences deriving from such acts of violence.

I will be grateful if this letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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(<u>Signed</u>) Ts'eliso THAMAE Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

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