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LETTER DATED 15 JULY 1982 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to bring, through you, to the attention of the Security Council, violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of the People's Republic of Angola by the racist régime of South Africa. My Government wishes to register the strongest protest against the continued military occupation of parts of Angola by the racist South African troops and the brutal acts being committed daily by the racists against innocent Angola civilians.

The President of the MPLA-Workers Party and President of the People's Republic of Angola, His Excellency, Mr. Jose Eduardo dos Santos, on 13 July 1982, informed the 5th Session of the People's Assembly in Luanda of the barbarous acts of aggression being committed by the racist Armed Forces of South Africa in the south of Angola.

The racist régime is still engaged in an undeclared war on Angolan territory, utilizing a massive military machine to terrorize the population and undertake sabotage, all aimed at destabilizing the politico-military, economic and social situation.

The racist troops are still in illegal military occupation of a part of the Angolan province of Cunene, where civilians are being massacred, women are being raped, and children are being brutalized. The people are daily subjected to terrorists acts of vandalism, kidnapping and theft and their livelihood is being destroyed.

Excellency, these acts of state terrorism, part of an all-out war against the People's Republic of Angola and the military occupation of a part of Angola, are taking place at a time when the Government and the people of Angola are engaged in serious negotiations on whose successful outcome depends future prospects for peace in all of southern Africa. The Government of Angola has spared no effort in contributing to these negotiations, but no independent sovereign State can allow the continuation of an already intolerable situation.

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The racist régime in Pretoria has consistently displayed contempt for principles of international law, and disrespect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Angola. Angola, on its part, has always acted with the utmost regard for international law in its search for peace in southern Africa and in the world. However, Angola is not prepared to compromise on the matter of its sovereignty and territorial integrity. Therefore, my Government wishes to alert the Council to the magnitude of the threat posed by the racist troops and to place on record, as it has done many times before, of the need for a speedy and lasting solution to South Africa's military adventurism and terrorizing in all of southern Africa.

I request that this communication be circulated as a document of the Security Council in connection with the question of South African aggression against the People's Republic of Angola.

(Signed) Elísio de FIGUEIREDO
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