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The Permanent Mission of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his note PO 230 SOAF (2-2-4) of 21 March 1979, concerning information on violations of the embargo on the supply of arms to South Africa, has the honour to state as follows:

The Byelorussian SSR, in pursuance of its position of principle on this question, strongly and consistently upholds the resolutions of the Security Council on the implementation of the embargo on the supply of arms to South Africa. The Byelorussian SSR does not maintain and has never maintained relations or links with the racist régime of Pretoria in the economic, military or any other sphere and does not supply and has never supplied it with weapons, equipment or military technology.

The Permanent Mission of the Byelorussian SSR to the United Nations believes it necessary to draw the attention of the relevant organs of the United Nations to numerous reports in the information media to the effect that South Africa is continuing to receive a range of weapons from some Western countries, in direct contravention of the resolutions of the Security Council on the embargo on the supply of arms to South Africa. Such activities of Western countries lead to exacerbating military tension in Africa and constitute a threat to international peace and security.

The Permanent Mission of the Byelorussian SSR to the United Nations requests that this note be distributed as a document of the Security Council.
