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Letter dated 7 March 1979 from the Permanent
Representative of Sri Lanka to the United
Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a communiqué issued today by the Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned Countries.

I should be grateful if you would kindly have the communiqué circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under items 24, 25, 27, 28, 91 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) B. J. FERNANDO
Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka
to the United Nations and Chairman of
the Co-ordinating Bureau of Non-Aligned
Countries

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ANNEX

Communiqué issued on 7 March 1979 by the Co-ordinating
Bureau of Non-Aligned Countries

1. In view of recent developments in southern Africa and the Middle East affecting international peace and security and causing grave concern to the non-aligned countries, the Co-ordinating Bureau, meeting in New York on 7 March 1979, reiterated the positions taken by the Conference of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Belgrade in July 1978 (A/33/206).
2. The Bureau noted with increasing concern the statements issued by colonialist and imperialist circles which threaten the resort to use of force against oil-producing countries, particularly those in the Arab region, and condemned any preparations made to implement such threats.
3. The Bureau reiterated the belief of their Foreign Ministers expressed in Belgrade that the establishment of a just and lasting peace in the Middle East definitely requires Israel's withdrawal from all the territories it occupies and the recognition of the national and inalienable rights of the Palestinian people as affirmed by General Assembly resolution 3236 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974. The Bureau reiterated the conviction that any solution which does not take into account these two basic conditions cannot serve peace, but, on the contrary, will only serve to pave the way to attempts by the United States of America to liquidate the Palestinian cause, help Israel in achieving its objectives and maintain the existing situation resulting from occupation, thus enabling Israel to carry out its colonialist, imperialist and racist function in the region.
4. The Bureau strongly condemned the repeated and co-ordinated acts of aggression committed by the racist and fascist régimes of South Africa and Southern Rhodesia against the front-line States of Mozambique and Zambia and most recently the attacks against Angola.
5. The Bureau appealed to the international community to give all necessary assistance to the front-line States in order to reinforce their defence capability, so that they can even more effectively fulfil their historical duty as the strategic rear base of the liberation struggle in southern Africa.
6. The Bureau requested the Chairman of the Non-Aligned Movement to keep the situation under constant review and called upon the Security Council to take necessary steps to discharge its mandate in respect of these issues.