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Letter dated 2 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith the text of a statement issued by a high-ranking official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 27 April 1979 on the situation in Southern Rhodesia.

I would appreciate it if the contents of this statement could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 91 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) A. Esmat ABDEL MEGUID
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Text of the statement issued by the Ministry of
Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt
on 27 April 1979 on the situation in Southern
Rhodesia

A high-ranking official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt stated on 27 April 1979 that the so-called elections held during April 1979 in Zimbabwe under the auspices of the racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia are illegal and therefore their results are considered null and void. Egypt reaffirms that its position is based on its full commitment and adherence to the resolutions of the Organization of African Unity stipulating its support to the Patriotic Front, the genuine representative of the people of Zimbabwe, and the rejection of the so-called internal settlement and that all results arising therefrom are considered void, including the elections concluded recently in Zimbabwe. The Government of Egypt urges the international community not to accord recognition to the election and to consider any results arising therefrom as void and to join the efforts to convene a conference comprised of all parties concerned to reach a just settlement of the problem which will ensure genuine independence to Zimbabwe, the elimination of the white minority domination, and to conduct elections under the auspices of a neutral organ accepted by all the parties concerned.