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Letter dated 9 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Mongolia
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Mongolian People's Republic in connexion with the so-called elections recently held in Southern Rhodesia under the auspices of the illegal minority régime.

It will be greatly appreciated if this statement is circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 91 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) B. DASHTSEREN
Permanent Representative

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Statement dated 30 April 1979 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of the Mongolian People's Republic

In complete disregard of the many decisions of the Security Council and the General Assembly of the United Nations and other international forums, the illegal Smith régime organized so-called elections, in conditions of the most cruel repression, in order to give some plausibility to the manipulations of the leading Western Powers in connexion with the question of the transfer of power to the African people of Zimbabwe.

The purpose of this shameless farce, carried out with the help of puppets who betrayed the vital interests of the people of Zimbabwe, was to preserve the neo-colonialist and racist system in Rhodesia under a new mask. Such machinations by the racists are directed towards the creation of new obstacles along the way to the settlement of the Rhodesian question and the development of the national liberation movement of the peoples of the whole of southern Africa.

The particular danger lies in the fact that the leading Western Powers and the racist régimes in Salisbury and Pretoria, acting in collusion, are attempting not only to perpetuate the racist and colonialist system in Zimbabwe and Namibia, but also to create a joint base from which to preserve and expand their political, military, strategic and economic interests in the African continent.

It is to this end that they are carrying out armed aggression against sovereign African States, in particular against the People's Republic of Mozambique, the People's Republic of Angola and Zambia. The reckless actions of the racists and their protectors are seriously aggravating the international situation in that part of the world.

The Government of the Mongolian People's Republic strongly condemns the machinations of the forces of international reaction and the racist régimes against the peoples of southern Africa and against the cause of universal peace and security.

In the situation which has now developed in Africa, particularly in southern Africa, it has become particularly urgent to strengthen the unity of action of the national patriotic movements and the progressive States of Africa with all democratic and progressive forces throughout the world, in order to give a decisive rebuff to the collusion of the imperialists, racists and other reactionary forces.

The Government of the Mongolian People's Republic considers that a genuine solution to the problem of Southern Rhodesia can be achieved only through the strict implementation of the relevant decisions and resolutions of the Security Council and General Assembly of the United Nations providing for the application

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of sanctions against the illegal régime, and through the elimination of the racist and colonialist system in Rhodesia and the transfer of full power to the people of Zimbabwe in the person of the Patriotic Front.

The Government of the Mongolian People's Republic and all the Mongolian people once again express their full support for and solidarity with the peoples of Zimbabwe, Namibia and South Africa in the struggle against colonialism, neo-colonialism and racial discrimination and for freedom, national independence and social progress.
