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Letter dated 6 July 1988 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a message, dated 5 July 1988, sent by the Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel, Mr. Shimon Peres, to Mr. R. F. Botha, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa, regarding the impending execution of the Sharpeville Six (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could be kind enough to arrange for the distribution of the present letter and its annex as an official document of the General Assembly under item 36 of the preliminary list.

(<u>Signed</u>) Meir JOFFE Ambassador Acting Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Message sent on 5 July 1988 by the Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Israel to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of South Africa on the impending execution of the Sharpville Six

I wish to express our concern over the impending execution of the "Sharpville Six". I appeal to you on humanitarian and compassionate grounds to exercise your influence to show clemency and commute their death sentences.

> Shimon PERES Vice-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs