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REQUEST FOR THE INCLUSION OF AN ADDITIONAL ITEM IN THE  
PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE FORTY-THIRD SESSION

DUMPING OF NUCLEAR AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE IN AFRICA

Letter dated 30 June 1988 from the Permanent Representative  
of Swaziland to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General

On behalf of the Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations, I have the honour to request, in accordance with rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the inclusion of an item entitled "Dumping of nuclear and industrial wastes in Africa" in the provisional agenda of the forty-third session of the General Assembly.

In accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure, an explanatory memorandum concerning this request is attached hereto.

(Signed) Timothy L. L. DLAMINI  
Permanent Representative of Swaziland  
to the United Nations,  
Chairman of the African Group

ANNEX

Explanatory memorandum

1. The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity and has the honour to refer to OAU resolution CM/Res.1153 (XLVIII) adopted by the Council of Ministers entitled "Dumping of nuclear and industrial wastes in Africa" and to request that the subject be included in the agenda of the next meeting of the Africa Group of the Whole, with a view to having same subject discussed by African Permanent Representatives to the United Nations, in preparation for the forty-third session of the United Nations General Assembly.
2. The Permanent Mission of Nigeria wishes to recall that the question of "Dumping of nuclear and industrial wastes in Africa" by transnational corporations and other enterprises from some industrialized countries found favour with OAU member States and led to the above-mentioned resolution, which was later endorsed by the twenty-fourth ordinary session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the OAU.
3. In that connection, the Permanent Mission of Nigeria further requests the Executive Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity to request the Chairman of Africa Group for the month of June 1988 to take urgent steps to inscribe the subject on the agenda of the forty-third session of the United Nations General Assembly under item 63 of the provisional agenda, entitled "General and complete disarmament", and to inform all Permanent Missions of OAU member States accordingly.

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