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Letter dated 5 August 1983 from the Permanent Representative of India
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward herewith the text of a communiqué adopted at a plenary meeting of the Non-Aligned Countries held at United Nations Headquarters on 5 August 1983 and to request that it be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 36 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Communiqué adopted by the Movement of the Non-Aligned
Countries at its plenary meeting held at United Nations
Headquarters on 5 August 1983

1. The Movement of Non-aligned Countries has learnt with grave concern and profound indignation of the announcement by the authorities of the racist Pretoria regime of the decision to establish a so-called State Council in Namibia which is to draw up a "Constitution" for the territory.
2. This action by the racist regime is yet another manifestation of the scant regard with which it holds the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations. In particular, it constitutes another blatant violation of Security Council resolution 439 (1978), by which the Council reiterated the view that any unilateral measure taken by the illegal administration in Namibia, in contravention of relevant Security Council resolutions, is null and void.
3. By this measure, South Africa has once again demonstrated its intention of imposing an "internal settlement" in Namibia, in utter disregard of the demands of the Namibian people for self-determination and genuine independence and of the will of the international community, as reflected in the relevant resolutions of the United Nations and in the Declarations of the Non-aligned Movement.
4. The Movement of Non-aligned Countries expresses its strong condemnation of this latest act by South Africa and urges all States and the United Nations to desist from according any recognition to this latest ploy of the racist Pretoria regime which is obviously aimed at obstructing the implementation of the internationally recognised United Nations Plan for the independence of Namibia and perpetuating its illegal occupation of the territory.
