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BULGARIA

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In accordance with its fundamental policy, the People's Republic of Bulgaria consistently supports the legitimate aspirations of the people of Namibia for freedom and national independence. It voted in favour of General Assembly resolutions 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966 and 2372 (XXII) of 12 June 1968 on the question of South West Africa.

The People's Republic of Bulgaria implements scrupulously all the resolutions of the Security Council and the General Assembly aimed at the elimination of the racist régime, established in Namibia by the authorities of Pretoria, and at the granting of independence to the people of this country. It does not maintain diplomatic, economic or any other relations with the Republic of South Africa.

The People's Republic of Bulgaria will continue to support the just cause of the people of Namibia, fighting against the forces of colonialism and imperialism, for freedom and national independence.

BURMA

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The Government of Burma has no dealings of any nature with the Government of South Africa. Moreover, Burma supports the Namibian people in their struggle for independence, and will continue to do so until their independence is achieved.

BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

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The Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic voted in favour of General Assembly resolution 2372 (XXII). Byelorussia's position concerning Namibia is well known.

The Byelorussian SSR, which maintains no relations with the racist régime of the Republic of South Africa, resolutely condemns the racist policy of <u>apartheid</u> pursued by the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the policies of States which give aid and support to the racist régime of the Republic of South Africa and therefore bear direct responsibility for the present situation in Namibia.

The Byelorussian SSR has consistently complied and is continuing to comply with United Nations Security Council and General Assembly decisions providing for the liquidation of the South African racist's rule in Namibia and for the granting of independence to the people of that country.

The Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic wishes to express its full solidarity with the Namibian people now engaged in a just struggle for its freedom and independence. The Byelorussian SSR is prepared to continue to co-operate with African and other freedom-loving countries in supporting this struggle in every possible way.

GHANA

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The Government of Ghana unreservedly supports General Assembly resolution 2372 (XXII). Ghana does not maintain any relations with the racist régime of South Africa and consequently does not have any dealings with that régime. The Ghana Government has, in accordance with decisions of the Organization of African Unity and with the recommendations of the General Assembly, applied economic and other sanctions against the régime of South Africa.

In so far as Ghana was a co-sponsor of the resolution under reference the Ghana Government will continue to provide moral and material support to the people of Namibia and will give every assistance possible to the United Nations Council for Namibia in the effective discharge of its mandate.

The Government of Ghana believes that it is the contractual obligation of every Member State under the Charter to do all in its power to compel South Africa to withdraw its illegal administration from the international territory of Namibia.

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Furthermore, the time has come for the Security Council, the primary organ of the United Nations, to invoke mandatory economic sanctions against the intransigent and defiant régime of Pretoria.

IRAN

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As the Government of Iran maintains no diplomatic relations with the Republic of South Africa, it has no means of exerting any direct influence on the Government of that country. However, the Government of Iran in keeping with its consistent policy of anticolonialism will continue to lend its full support to the United Nations and in particular to the United Nations Council for Namibia in order to induce the Government of South Africa to desist from its present policy of defying the authority of the United Nations and continuing with its illegal occupation of Namibia.

JAPAN

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The Government of Japan, which voted in favour of General Assembly resolution 2145 (XXI) and subsequent resolutions relating to Namibia, believes that the Government of South Africa has no right to administer the Territory of Namibia.

Accordingly, it has approached the Government of South Africa on several occasions, requesting the latter to comply faithfully with relevant resolutions of the United Nations.

Also, the Government of Japan has consistently refrained from exporting arms, ammunition of all types and military vehicles to South Africa in accordance with resolutions of the Security Council. It has neither given any economic assistance to South Africa nor has Japanese capital been invested in that country or in Namibia. The Government of Japan will continue to co-operate with other States Members of the United Nations in search of appropriate and practical means to achieve the objectives of General Assembly resolution 2145 (XXI).

MALDIVE ISLANDS

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The Maldive Islands do not have any relations with South Africa.

PHILIPPINES

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The Philippines has no diplomatic or consular relations with the Republic of South Africa and has had no dealings with the said Government which would have the effect of perpetuating South Africa's illegal occupation of Namibia. In fact, the economic and political sanctions imposed by the Philippine Government against South Africa are in full force and effect.

The Philippines, believing strongly in the rule of law, condemns the South African policy of oppression and injustice in Namibia and expresses its opposition to this policy whenever the opportunity presents itself. As in the past, the Philippines will continue to support the legitimate struggle of the Namibians for independence.

ROMANIA

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The Socialist Republic of Romania wishes to express its full solidarity with all peoples engaged in the struggle against colonial rule to win their national independence and ensure its protection and consolidation. As a staunch advocate of strict respect for the right of peoples to choose their own path of development and social system in accordance with their aspirations and desires, the Romanian Government has repeatedly expressed its unconditional support for the people of Namibia in its struggle for freedom and independence.

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In accordance with this position, the Socialist Republic of Romania voted in favour of General Assembly resolution 2372 (XXII) condemning the Government of South Africa for its persistent refusal to comply with the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council concerning the question of Namibia.

The Romanian Government shares the general concern aroused by the South African Government's consistent refusal to comply with these resolutions and condemns the illegal measures and acts of the South African Government against the Namibian people.

The Socialist Republic of Romania endorses the measures recommended in resolution 2372 (XXII) to ensure the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of South African authorities from the Territory, in order that Namibia may accede to independence in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2145 (XXI).

The Socialist Republic of Romania will continue to support the Namibian people in their legitimate and just struggle for freedom and will co-operate with the United Nations to enable the people of the Territory to exercise their inalienable right to independence.

SIERRA LEONE

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The Government of Sierra Leone has no relationship whatsoever with the Government of South Africa and has taken adequate measures to ensure that white South Africans cannot use any facility in the territory of Sierra Leone. Sierra Leone has always supported measures designed to aid the withdrawal of South Africa from administering Namibia in conformity with General Assembly resolutions 2145 (XXI) and 2248 (S-V). It is the Sierra Leone Government's belief that greater pressure could be exerted on South Africa were those economically stronger States - especially those that have economic and other ties with South Africa - willing to do so.

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The Government of Sierra Leone will continue to do all in its power through the United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and other international organs to aid the rightful owners of Namibia and to ensure compliance of South Africa with the United Nations resolutions on the question.