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## 2168th MEETING

# Held in New York on Friday, 21 September 1979, at 9.30 a.m.

President: Mr. Paul J. F. LUSAKA (Zambia).

*Present:* The representatives of the following States: Bangladesh, Bolivia, China, Czechoslovakia, France, Gabon, Jamaica, Kuwait, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Zambia.

#### Provisional agenda (S/Agenda/2168)

1. Adoption of the agenda

- 2. The question of South Africa:
  - Letter dated 14 September 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Liberia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13542)

The meeting was called to order at 10.35 a.m.

#### Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

## The question of South Africa:

Letter dated 14 September 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Liberia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/13542)

1. The PRESIDENT: As a result of consultations held among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council [S/13549]:

"The Security Council notes that, on 13 September 1979, the South African régime proclaimed Venda, an integral part of South African territory, a so-called 'independent' state, in pursuance of its *apartheid* and bantustanization policy.

"The Security Council recalls its resolution 417 (1977), in which it demanded that the racist régime of South Africa should abolish the policy of bantustanization. It also recalls its resolutions 402 (1976) and 407 (1977), in which it endorsed General Assembly resolution 31/6A of 26 October 1976 on this matter. The Council further takes note of General Assembly resolution 32/105N of 14 December 1977 on the question of bantustans. "The Security Council condemns the proclamation of the so-called 'independence' of Venda and declares it totally invalid. This action by the South African régime, following similar proclamations in the case of the Transkei and Bophuthatswana, denounced by the international community, is designed to divide and dispossess the African people and establish client States under its domination in order to perpetuate *apartheid*. It further aggravates the situation in the region and hinders international efforts for just and lasting solutions.

"The Security Council calls upon all Governments to deny any form of recognition to the so-called 'independent' bantustans, to refrain from any dealings with them and to reject travel documents issued by them, and urges Governments of Member States to take effective measures to prohibit all individuals, corporations and other institutions under their jurisdiction from having any dealings with the so-called 'independent' bantustans."

2. The representative of the United States has asked to speak and I now call on him.

3. Mr. REIS (United States of America): Mr. President, the United States would like to commend you for calling the attention to the international community to this latest attempt by South Africa to grant a fraudulent independence to another of the tribal homelands.

4. We wish to affirm that the policy of the United States is to withhold recognition and all forms of official relations from the so-called "independent" homelands of the Transkei and Bophuthatswana already created by South Africa. We shall apply the same strict policy to Venda.

5. My country fully supports the spirit and thrust of your statement, Mr. President. We take its main point to be that there is no such entity as Venda and that the territory which South Africa chooses to call Venda is in fact an integral part of South Africa. We agree with that position. We shall treat Venda exactly as we treat South Africa.

6. The PRESIDENT: There being no further speakers, the Council has concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 10.40 a.m.

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