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LETTER DATED 16 JUNE 1969 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
MAURITANIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to permit me to participate, without the right to vote, in the debate which the Security Council has decided to hold for the purpose of ensuring the maintenance of peace and security in southern Africa by affording to the Zimbabwe people greater protection of their fundamental rights, the denial of which by the minority and racist Salisbury régime is in danger of being perpetuated by the semblance of legitimacy which the referendum being prepared by the illegal and racist Smith régime would provide.

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) Abdallahi OULD DADDAH
Permanent Representative of the
Islamic Republic of Mauritania
to the United Nations