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NOTE VERBALE* DATED 5 APRIL 1968 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF INDIA ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to his communications No. FO 230 SOR H(1), dated 13 January 1967 and 11 March 1968 respectively, requesting a detailed account of the action taken by the Government of India in the implementation of operative paragraphs 2 and 5 of Security Council resolution 232 of 16 December 1966.

The Government of India do not have any relations with Southern Rhodesia, having withdrawn their office of Assistant Commissioner from there six months prior to the U.D.I. All trade relations with Southern Rhodesia have been cut off, vide Ministry of Commerce Order No. 9/65 dated 17 November 1965, immediately following the illegal declaration of independence. In fact, the Government of India has imposed a total ban on both imports from and exports to Southern Rhodesia, although the Security Council in its resolution 232 (1966) has imposed sanctions only against selective commodities.

Further, the following measures were adopted by the Government of India:

(1) Exclusion of Rhodesia from the list of Commonwealth countries for purposes of India Exchange Control, as defined in the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act vide Reserve Bank of India Notification No. FER-A/235/65 R.B. dated 2 December 1965;

(2) Withdrawal of the General Authority delegated by the Reserve Bank of India to authorized dealers to make remittances to Rhodesia vide Reserve Bank of India A.D. Circular No. 38, dated 15 December 1965;

(3) Refusal to recognize passports issued by the illegal régime - vide Ministry of External Affairs letter No. VII/410/50/65, dated 19 April 1966; and

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(4) Suspension of Parcel Post Services between India and Southern Rhodesia vide Director General of Post and Telegraph Memorandum No. 9/1/66/CF, dated 3 October 1966.

The information on India's trade in the commodities listed in operative paragraph 2 of Security Council resolution 232 is submitted in the forms transmitted by the Secretary-General. The data relate to the period of December 1966 to June 1967.

The Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations avails himself, etc.

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