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REPORT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN PURSUANCE OF RESOLUTION 253 (1968)
ADOPTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT ITS 1428TH MEETING ON 29 MAY 1968
CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA

Addendum

In annex II of his report issued on 28 August 1968 (S/8786) and in the four previous addenda issued on 25 September, 10 October and 1 and 27 November 1968 (S/8786/Add.1-4), the Secretary-General set out the substantive portions of eighty-six replies received from Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies in connexion with the implementation of the provisions of Security Council resolution 253 (1968). Since the circulation of addendum 4 on 27 November 1968 and renewed requests by the Secretary-General on 5 and 20 November for information from those States which had not then replied, ten additional replies have been received, the substantive parts of which are set out hereafter.

CANADA

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As was communicated to the Secretary-General in notes of 12 January 1966 (S/7082), 24 February 1966 (S/7164), 15 February 1967 (S/7747), 21 February 1967 (S/7780), and 23 August 1968 (S/8776), the Canadian Government acted promptly after the unilateral declaration of independence in Rhodesia by taking a series of measures against the illegal régime. These measures included the termination of Canadian economic aid to Rhodesia, the closing of the Canadian Government trade office in Rhodesia, and progressive trade embargoes. A complete ban on trade, with certain humanitarian exceptions, was imposed in February 1966, and remains in force. The Canadian Government also adopted regulations prohibiting activities relating to the commodities sanctioned under the Security Council resolution of 16 December 1966, outside Canada by Canadian ships, aircraft and citizens.

When the Canadian representative on the Security Council announced his support for the 29 May resolution, he stated that implementation might require new regulations. This was found to be so and the Canadian Government has now adopted measures to ensure full Canadian compliance with its obligations under the Security Council resolution of 29 May 1968. These consist, in part, of existing strict controls on trade. In addition a new set of "Rhodesia Regulations" has been adopted (copy attached) replacing and extending those issued as a consequence of the Security Council resolution of 16 December 1966. The new regulations maintain the features of the previous ones, including their extraterritorial applicability, and in addition it is now illegal for Canadians to transmit money to Rhodesia. Another provision is designed to prevent flights by Canadian aircraft to Rhodesia and the co-ordination of air services between Canadian and Rhodesian aircraft. The Canadian Government has taken action under separate legislative authority to implement the Security Council's prohibition on the entry to Canada of persons travelling on Rhodesian passports and of persons, other than Canadians, who have assisted, or may assist, the unlawful actions of the illegal régime.

UNITED NATIONS ACT
United Nations Rhodesia Regulations

P.C. 1968-2339

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT OTTAWA

Friday, the 20th day of December 1968.

Present:

His Excellency the Governor General in Council

WHEREAS the Security Council of the United Nations, acting in accordance with Articles 39 and 41 of the United Nations Charter, has by resolution dated 29 May 1968,

- (a) reaffirmed that the present situation in Rhodesia constitutes a threat to international peace and security; and
- (b) decided upon certain measures to be employed to give effect to its decisions in the resolution and has called upon all members of the United Nations to apply such measures;

AND WHEREAS Canada, as a Member of the United Nations, is obligated by Article 25 of the United Nations Charter to apply such measures;

AND WHEREAS it appears to His Excellency the Governor General in Council that the annexed Regulations are necessary to enable such measures to be effectively applied.

THEREFORE, His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State for External Affairs and pursuant to section 2 of the United Nations Act, being desirous of fulfilling Canada's obligation under the United Nations Charter, is pleased hereby to revoke the United Nations Rhodesia Regulations made by Order in Council P.C. 1967-323 of 21st February 1967, 1/ and to make the annexed United Nations Rhodesia Regulations in substitution therefor.

UNITED NATIONS RHODESIA REGULATIONS

Short Title

1. These Regulations may be cited as the United Nations Rhodesia Regulations.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations,

- (a) "business" in respect of goods means the business of manufacturing, transporting, purchasing, supplying, selling, storing or dealing in those goods;
- (b) "Canadian Aircraft" means an aircraft registered in Canada under regulations made under the Aeronautics Act;
- (c) "Canadian citizen" has the same meaning as in the Canadian Citizenship Act;
- (d) "Canadian corporation" means a corporation incorporated in Canada;
- (e) "Canadian ship" has the same meaning as in the Canada Shipping Act;
- (f) "master" in respect of a ship has the same meaning as in the Canada Shipping Act;
- (g) "operator" in respect of an aircraft has the same meaning as in the Air Regulations;
- (h) "owner", in respect of a ship, means the registered owner of the ship, a person having a beneficial interest in the ship or a person to whom the ship is chartered, and, in respect of an aircraft, has the same meaning as in the Air Regulations;
- (i) "person" in respect of the doing of any act or thing in any place outside Canada means a Canadian citizen or a Canadian corporation; and
- (j) "pilot-in-command" has the same meaning as in the Air Regulations.

Prohibitions

3. (1) No person shall knowingly, in Canada or any other place, sell or supply or attempt to sell or supply any goods that are outside Rhodesia to any person in Rhodesia.

(2) No person shall knowingly do anything, in Canada or any other place, to promote or that is calculated to promote the sale or supply of any goods that are outside Rhodesia to any person in Rhodesia.

(3) For the purposes of this section "goods" does not include medical supplies, news material, educational equipment and materials for use in schools, universities or other educational institutions, or books, newspapers, magazines or periodicals.

4. No person shall knowingly do anything outside Canada that causes or assists or is intended to cause or assist any shipment, transshipment or diversion of any goods (other than goods of the kind described in sub-section (3) of section 3) to be made, from Canada or any other place, to Rhodesia.

5. No person shall knowingly do anything, in Canada or any other place, that causes or assists or is intended to cause or assist any shipment, transshipment or diversion of any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia to be made, from Rhodesia or any other place, to any other place.

6. (1) No person shall knowingly carry on or assist in the carrying on of any business, in Canada or any other place, in respect of any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the coming into force of these Regulations.

(2) No person shall knowingly do anything in Canada or any other place, to promote or that is calculated to promote the export from Rhodesia of any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia to any other place.

7. No person shall knowingly make or cause to be made any payment, in Canada or any other place,

(a) for or in respect of any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the coming into force of these Regulations; or

(b) for or in respect of the carrying on, in Canada or any other place, of any business in respect of any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the coming into force of these Regulations.

8. (1) Subject to subsection (2), no person shall knowingly, in Canada or any other place, send, transfer or assign any money or cause any money to be sent, transferred or assigned from outside Rhodesia to any person in Rhodesia.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to the sending, transferring or assigning of any money or the causing of any money to be sent, transferred or assigned to any person in Rhodesia.

(a) as payment to or in respect of that person of any pension or annuity benefit; or

(b) for any medical, educational or humanitarian purpose.

(3) In any prosecution for a violation of subsection (1) the burden of establishing that the sending, transferring or assigning of any money or the causing of any money to be sent, transferred or assigned to any person in Rhodesia was for any of the purposes described in subsection (2) shall be on the accused.

9. No owner or master of a Canadian ship shall knowingly carry, or cause or permit to be carried, on the ship, in Canada or any other place,

(a) any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the coming into force of these Regulations; or

(b) any goods (other than goods of the kind described in subsection (3) of section 3)

(i) that are loaded on the ship after the coming into force of these Regulations, and

(ii) that are for delivery to or bound for Rhodesia.

10. No owner, operator or pilot-in-command of a Canadian aircraft shall knowingly carry, or cause or permit to be carried, on the aircraft, in Canada or any other place,

(a) any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the coming into force of these Regulations; or

(b) any goods (other than goods of the kind described in subsection (3) of section 3)

(i) that are loaded on the aircraft after the coming into force of these Regulations, and

(ii) that are for delivery to or bound for Rhodesia.

11. No owner, operator or pilot-in-command of a Canadian aircraft shall knowingly fly or allow that aircraft to be flown

(a) from Canada or any other place to Rhodesia, or

(b) from Rhodesia to any other place,

except for the purpose of carrying goods of the kind described in subsection (3) of section 3.

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12. No owner, operator or pilot-in-command of a Canadian aircraft shall, in Canada or in any other place, make or knowingly carry out any arrangement or agreement for co-ordinating any air transport services provided by the aircraft with any aircraft services provided by any aircraft registered in Rhodesia or owned by any person in Rhodesia.

Offences

13. (1) Every person who violates any provision of these Regulations is guilty of an offence and liable

- (a) upon summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding three months or to both; or
- (b) upon indictment, to a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years or to both.

(2) No person commits an offence under these Regulations by doing an act or thing prohibited by these Regulations if, before he does such act or thing, the Minister of Trade and Commerce certifies to him in writing that, in the opinion of the Minister, United Nations Security Council resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May, 1968 did not intend that the doing of such act or thing be prohibited.

(3) No person commits an offence under these Regulations by doing any act or thing prohibited by these Regulations in respect of

- (a) any goods for the export of which to Rhodesia an export permit has been issued under the Export and Import Permits Act; and
- (b) any goods produced or manufactured in Rhodesia for the importation of which into Canada an import permit has been issued under the Export and Import Permits Act.

14. Where an offence under these Regulations has been committed

- (a) in Canada by any corporation carrying on business in Canada, or
- (b) outside Canada by a Canadian corporation,

whether or not the corporation has been prosecuted or convicted for that offence, every person who at the time of the commission of the offence was a director or officer of the corporation and a Canadian citizen or person ordinarily resident in Canada is guilty of the like offence and is liable, on conviction, to the punishment provided for the offence, upon proof that the act or omission constituting the offence took place with his knowledge or consent or that he failed to exercise due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

15. Any proceedings in respect of an offence under these Regulations may be tried and determined by the court having jurisdiction at the place in Canada where the offence was committed or at the place in Canada in which the person charged with the offence is, resides or has an office or place of business at the time of institution of the proceedings or by any other court to which jurisdiction has been lawfully transferred.

16. (1) Where a violation of these Regulations is committed by a person outside of Canada, the prosecution of such person for such violation may be instituted but not continued except with the consent of the Attorney General of Canada.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) shall be construed as preventing the arrest or the issue or execution of a warrant for the arrest of any person for an offence under these Regulations or the remanding in custody or on bail of any person charged with such offence.

General

17. Where any person in Canada or any Canadian citizen outside of Canada suffers damage as a result of being prohibited or prevented by these Regulations from

- (a) carrying out a legal obligation imposed on him by a contract, licence or other agreement entered into by him before the coming into force of these Regulations, or
- (b) receiving a benefit to which he is entitled by law under a contract, licence or other agreement entered into by him before the coming into force of these Regulations,

such person may apply to the Government of Canada, through the Minister of Trade and Commerce, for compensation.

CHILE

[Original: Spanish]

20 January 1969

S/8984

The Government of Chile, in pursuance of its traditional policy of support for the cause of decolonization, has strictly observed the resolutions of the United Nations concerning Southern Rhodesia and, in particular, Security Council resolutions 232 (1966) and 253 (1968) which imposed compulsory sanctions under Chapter VII of the Charter.

I attach herewith the text of Supreme Decree No. 1.117 of the Ministry of Economy, Development and Reconstruction of 31 August 1968, which was published in the Diario Oficial de la República No. 27226, of 11 December 1968 and which implements the provisions of Security Council resolution 253 (1968).

MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION
OFFICE OF THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR ECONOMY, DEVELOPMENT
AND RECONSTRUCTION
IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 253 (1968)

Santiago, 31 August 1968. Today the following Decree was issued:

No. 1.117. Bearing in mind:

That in resolution 253 (1968) the Security Council of the United Nations required Member States to adopt a series of measures designed to make effective the sanctions imposed on Southern Rhodesia, in conformity with the provisions of Articles 39 and 41 of the United Nations Charter;

That the measures in question are without prejudice to the provisions of Security Council resolution 232 (1966), already put into effect by Chile under Decree No. 740 of 14 June 1967 of this Ministry;

That Article 25 of the United Nations Charter requires Member States to accept and carry out the decisions of the Security Council;

That it has been the traditional policy of Chile to observe strictly international treaties and agreements, freely entered into;

Having regard to the provisions of the United Nations Charter already quoted, Memorandum No. 1646 of 21 August 1968 of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Report No. 102 of 1 July 1968 from the Office of the Legal Adviser to that same Ministry;

Decree:

1. The Government of Chile declares that it will fully implement Security Council resolution 253 (1968) imposing sanctions on Southern Rhodesia;
2. Consequently, the Chilean authorities each within their respective spheres of competence, shall prevent the activities and apply the measures referred to in paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Security Council resolution 253 (1968) which provide that "all States Members of the United Nations shall prevent:
 3. (a) The import into their territories of all commodities and products originating in Southern Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the date of this resolution (whether or not the commodities or products are for consumption or processing in their territories, whether or not they are

imported in bond and whether or not any special legal status with respect to the import of goods is enjoyed by the port or other place where they are imported or stored);

(b) Any activities by their nationals or in their territories which would promote or are calculated to promote the export of any commodities or products from Southern Rhodesia; and any dealings by their nationals or in their territories in any commodities or products originating in Southern Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the date of this resolution, including in particular any transfer of funds to Southern Rhodesia for the purposes of such activities or dealings;

(c) The shipment in vessels or aircraft of their registration or under charter to their nationals, or the carriage (whether or not in bond) by land transport facilities across their territories of any commodities or products originating in Southern Rhodesia and exported therefrom after the date of this resolution;

(d) The sale or supply by their nationals or from their territories of any commodities or products (whether or not originating in their territories, but not including supplies intended strictly for medical purposes, educational equipment and material for use in schools and other educational institutions, publications, news material and, in special humanitarian circumstances, food-stuffs) to any person or body in Southern Rhodesia or to any other person or body for the purposes of any business carried on in or operated from Southern Rhodesia, and any activities by their nationals or in their territories which promote or are calculated to promote such sale or supply;

(e) The shipment in vessels or aircraft of their registration, or under charter to their nationals, or the carriage (whether or not in bond) by land transport facilities across their territories of any such commodities or products which are consigned to any person or body in Southern Rhodesia, or to any other person or body for the purposes of any business carried on in or operated from Southern Rhodesia;

4. Decides that all States Members of the United Nations shall not make available to the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia or to any commercial, industrial or public utility undertaking, including tourist enterprises, in Southern Rhodesia any funds for investment or any other financial or economic resources and shall prevent their nationals and any persons within their territories from making available to the régime or to any such undertaking any such funds or resources and from remitting any other funds to persons or bodies within Southern Rhodesia except payments exclusively for pensions or for strictly medical, humanitarian or educational purposes or for the provision of news material and in special humanitarian circumstances, food-stuffs;

5. Decides that all States Members of the United Nations shall:

(a) Prevent the entry into their territories, save on exceptional humanitarian grounds, of any person travelling on a Southern Rhodesian passport, regardless of its date of issue, or on a purported passport issued by or on behalf of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia; and

(b) Take all possible measures to prevent the entry into their territories of persons whom they have reason to believe to be ordinarily resident in Southern Rhodesia and whom they have reason to believe to have furthered or encouraged, or to be likely to further or encourage, the unlawful actions of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia or any activities which are calculated to evade any measure decided upon in this resolution or resolution 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966;

6. Decides that all States Members of the United Nations shall prevent airline companies constituted in their territories and aircraft of their registration or under charter to their nationals from operating to or from Southern Rhodesia and from linking up with any airline company constituted or aircraft registered in Southern Rhodesia;

7. Decides that all States Members of the United Nations shall give effect to the decisions set out in operative paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this resolution notwithstanding any contract entered into or licence granted before the date of this resolution."

To be noted, communicated and published. E. FREI M. - Juan de D. Carmona P. - Andrés Zaldívar L. - Gabriel Valdés S. - Edmundo Pérez Z., Minister of the Interior - Máximo Pacheco G., Minister of Public Education - Jaime Castillo V., Minister of Justice - Hugo Trivelli F., Minister of Agriculture - Alejandro Hales J., Minister of Mining - Tulio Marambio M., Minister of Defence - Sergio Ossa Pretot, Minister of Public Works and Transport - Eduardo León V., Minister of Labour and Social Welfare - Juan Hamilton D., Minister of Housing and Urban Development - Ramón Valdivieso D., Minister of Public Health - Victor González, Minister of Land Settlement.

I transmit the above Decree to you for your information.

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) Hernán IACALLE S.
Under-Secretary for Economy, Development
and Reconstruction

COLOMBIA

[Original: Spanish]
7 January 1969

The Government of Colombia, which supports and respects the decisions of the Security Council embodied in resolution 253 (1968), has not deemed it necessary to take specific measures with respect to trade with, the supply of commodities or products to or the transit of aircraft or persons to or from Southern Rhodesia because it has no relations with that country at all. Should there be any change in this state of affairs, the Government of Colombia will of course comply strictly with the above-mentioned resolution.

GREECE

[Original: English]
4 December 1968

The Permanent Mission of Greece has the honour to transmit attached herewith the text, in English, of Emergency Act No. 540/1968 banning transactions with Southern Rhodesia.

Emergency Act No. 540, published in the Government Gazette on 13 September 1968 modifies and supplements Emergency Act 95/1967, in order to meet effectively the provisions of resolution 253 (1968) adopted by the Security Council at its 1428th meeting on 29 May 1968 (see also our note 3068, dated 24 July 1968).

No. FM8-921

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE OF THE KINGDOM OF GREECE
Volume I Folio No. 203
Published in Athens on 13 September 1968

EMERGENCY ACT No. 540

Subject: Modification and supplementation of Em. Act 95/67
re: "Ban on transactions with Southern Rhodesia"

WE CONSTANTINE
KING OF THE HELLENES

On the recommendation of Our Cabinet of Ministers have decided and ordered and hereby do order as follows:

1. Article 1:

The provisions described in articles 1, 2 and 3 of Emergency Act No. 95 of 1967 re: "Ban of (commercial) transactions with Southern Rhodesia" apply on any goods or product originating or destined for Southern Rhodesia and on any other transaction whatsoever with the said country.

2. Article 2: It shall not be allowed to extend services of commercial, industrial or touristic nature to Southern Rhodesia and to any physical person, or persons, legal entities (corporations) domiciled or having their head office or in any way carrying out business activities in that country.

(b) It also shall not be allowed to make any investments or to place any economic funds at Southern Rhodesia and to the persons mentioned above.

(c) Restrictions mentioned above shall not apply with regards to payments of pensions, or funds intended exclusively for health, cultural or humanistic purposes.

3. Article 3: It shall be forbidden to carry out regular chartered or hired flights of aircrafts belonging to Greek air companies or companies registered in the registers of the Civil Aviation of Greece or in those of foreign civil aviation companies destined for Southern Rhodesia and vice versa.

4. Article 4: Contraventions of the provisions of articles 1, 2 and 3 shall be subject to the penalties provided in article 5 of the Emergency Act No. 95 of 1967.

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(b) Lawful representatives of persons with legal status or corporations shall be answerable for any contravention of the provisions of this Act as well as those described in articles 1 to 3 of Emergency Act No. 95 of 1967.

5. Article 5: The present Act shall take effect as from date of publication in the Government Gazette of the Kingdom of Greece.

Athens, 5 September 1968

IN THE NAME OF THE KING: Signed: GEORGIOS ZOITAKIS
Regent

Signed: G. PAPADOPOULOS
President of the Cabinet

Signed: STYL. PATTAKOS
First Deputy President of the Cabinet

Signed: DIM. PATILOS
Second Deputy President of the Cabinet

Sgd.: I, MAKAREZOS - RODINOS ORLANDOS - EL. KYRIACOPOULOS - P. TZEVELEKOS -
TH. PAPACONSTANTINOY - ADAM. ANDROUTSOPOULOS - EPAM. TSELOS -
CONSTANTINE KYPREOS - SP. LIZARDOS - L. PATRAS - IOANNIS HOLEVAS -
APOST. VOYADZIS - C. VOVOLINIS - I.M. EVLAMPIOS - NIC. SIORIS -
G. GEORGAKELOS - G. TSITSOPOULOS - EL. DIMITRAS

Members of the Cabinet

Seen. Sealed with the Grand Seal of the State.

Athens, 9 September 1968

Sgd.: E. KYRIACOPOULOS
Minister of Justice

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Certified true and official translation of an
extract from the Government Gazette of the
Kingdom of Greece published in volume I, Folio
No. 203, dated 13 September 1968 (pages 1425,
1426, item 9). Athens, 16 November 1968

(Signed) S.P. CARNAPAS

INDONESIA

[Original: English]
2 December 1968

1. Indonesia's position on the situation in Southern Rhodesia was clearly outlined on several occasions by its representatives in the plenary meetings and in the Fourth Committee of the General Assembly.
2. The position was reaffirmed by its notes to the Secretary-General, No. 107/0128 of 5 February 1968 and No. 64/0202 of February 1967, which was circulated as Security Council document No. S/7746. In this document the Government of Indonesia stated that it did not maintain any relations whatsoever with the illegal racist régime of Ian Smith in Southern Rhodesia.
3. Indonesia reiterates its position that it does not recognize the illegal racist régime in Southern Rhodesia and that it maintains no relations whatsoever with the Smith régime.
4. The Government of Indonesia states its adherence and full compliance with the provisions outlined in Security Council resolution 253 (1968) and will accordingly extend its full co-operation in the implementation of the above-mentioned resolution.

LIBYA

[Original: English]
25 November 1968
S/8915

As previously advised in our communications, circulated as official United Nations documents A/6266, dated 15 February 1966, and S/7742, dated 15 February 1967, and our notes of 29 December 1966 and 25 April 1968, the policy of the Government of the Kingdom of Libya towards the illegal minority régime in Southern Rhodesia has been clearly defined.

The Government of the Kingdom of Libya has never recognized the illegal régime and have severed all economic relations encountered in paragraph 3 of the above-mentioned resolution imposing a complete ban on all imports and exports to Southern Rhodesia, including the export of Libyan oil, closing all ports to ships flying the flag of Southern Rhodesia, banning all aircraft of Southern

Rhodesia from Libyan airspaces and airfields. The Government of the Kingdom of Libya is applying without limitation all the measures which the Security Council has decided should be adopted as sanctions against the Southern Rhodesian régime, and has offered morally and materially assistance to the people of Zimbabwe in their struggle to achieve their freedom.

It will therefore be evident that the Government of the Kingdom of Libya has already taken all appropriate measures, which fully comply with the relevant provisions and stipulations of the Security Council resolution of 29 May 1968.

PHILIPPINES

[Original: English]
6 January 1969

The Philippines does not maintain any diplomatic, consular, commercial or cultural relations with Southern Rhodesia. A draft executive order implementing Security Council resolution 253 (1968), has been submitted to the appropriate authorities in Manila, for their consideration.

PORTUGAL

[Original: English/Portuguese]
2 December 1968
S/8913

The Portuguese Government had certain doubts, of both a legal and a procedural nature, regarding the resolution on the question of Rhodesia adopted by the Security Council on 9 April 1966, and in order to be able to take a position with respect to that resolution it addressed a letter to you on 27 April 1966 in which it submitted the queries to which the resolution had given rise.

No reply to the questions submitted at that time was received.

In notes dated 14 May, 29 July and 20 September 1966 addressed to the Security Council itself the Portuguese Government pressed its request for the necessary clarification.

Those communications from the Portuguese Government elicited no response.

Nevertheless, the Portuguese Government, still seeking elucidation with regard to the important problems in question, reiterated its doubts and its request for clarification in its communication of 3 February 1967, and again this year, on 20 March, it addressed a further note to the Security Council in which it once more requested that august body to take a position with regard to the serious questions raised by Portugal.

The Security Council likewise did not deign to reply to those two most recent Portuguese notes.

The Council's silence with regard to this matter compels the Portuguese Government to conclude that that organ of the United Nations is either unable to reply to the questions submitted or actually afraid to consider them because to do so would reveal profound and irreconcilable differences between the members of the Council, in particular its permanent members. These aspects of the matter, however, in no way concern the Portuguese Government.

In the circumstances, and since the Security Council is unable or unwilling to make clear its position with regard to the points which have given rise to concern on the part of the Portuguese Government, it is difficult to see how Portugal can be asked to take a position on problems and questions which the Council refuses to consider. Nevertheless, the Portuguese Government is ready to state its position when the Security Council or the Secretariat sees fit to reply to the numerous communications referred to above, which for all necessary purposes are deemed to be reproduced here.

THAILAND

[Original: English]
9 January 1969

The Government of Thailand has already taken the following steps to implement the Security Council resolutions in compliance with the provisions of Security Council resolution 253 (1968).

The Government of Thailand has, first of all, condemned the unilateral declaration of independence made by the racist minority, does not recognize the

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illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, and has refrained from entertaining any diplomatic, economic, trade or other relations with that illegal authority.

The Government of Thailand supports and has enforced a total ban on imports from and exports to Southern Rhodesia. In connexion with the implementation of paragraph 5 of resolution 253 (1968), the Thai Government has taken action to deny entry visas for the holders of Southern Rhodesia passports. Concerning shipment in vessels or aircraft, in connexion with paragraph 3 (c), (e), Thailand has no relation of any sort with Southern Rhodesia on this matter.

In conclusion, therefore, the Government of Thailand has examined all the provisions of the aforesaid resolution and found that the measures adopted by the Thai Government on this matter are adequate to ensure full implementation of the aforesaid resolution.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

[Original: English]
3 December 1968

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago had earlier implemented resolution 232 (1966) and now fully supports the stand taken by the Security Council in resolution S/RES/253 (1968) condemning the actions of the present régime in Southern Rhodesia, and in accordance with the provisions of resolution 253 (1968) does not maintain any relations, trade or diplomatic, with the illegitimate régime in Southern Rhodesia.

TURKEY

[Original: English]
13 December 1968

It will be recalled that on 11 April 1967 (S/7850) you were informed of the measures instituted by the Turkish Government for forbidding the importation from and exportation to Southern Rhodesia of the commodities enumerated in operative paragraph 2 of the Security Council resolution 232 (1966).

In connexion with the implementation of operative paragraph 5 of resolution 253 (1968) the Turkish Government has taken immediate action to deny visa and

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refusal of entry into Turkey to the holders of Southern Rhodesian passports, and declare these passports invalid, as of 17 June 1968. This was duly communicated to Your Excellency on 6 August 1968, note No. 1082-356.

As to further measures connected with the implementation of resolution 253 (1968), I have the honour of enclosing the Turkish Government Decree in its original Turkish.*

* Retained in Secretariat Registry files.