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THE REPUBLIC OF CHAD ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the communiqué of the National Political Bureau concerning the execution of three Africans by the illegal minority régime in Southern Rhodesia.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this communiqué circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) Boukar ABDOUL
Ambassador,
Permanent Representative of Chad
to the United Nations

COMMUNIQUE OF THE NATIONAL POLITICAL BUREAU CONCERNING
THE CASE OF RHODESIA

The National Political Bureau was profoundly dismayed to learn of the murder of three Rhodesians. It recalls that at the proper time, it had drawn the attention of the world to the gravity of the situation in Rhodesia, a United Kingdom Territory, in which the genocide of a whole black population through its leaders is practised. The sanctions taken against the Ian Smith régime, already insufficient in themselves, have still not been applied to the letter. It is clear that the great Powers by their unavowed complicity assume the entire responsibility for the murder of the Rhodesian people. The West, the cradle of democracy, taught us that the minority, since its rights are protected, should submit to the decisions of the majority. Is the minority régime in Salisbury not bound by this rule because it is a white régime in Africa? The National Political Bureau hopes that the independent nations of Africa have learned, at their cost, that the liberation of the continent will not be achieved with speeches. In the face of the growing slaughter of Rhodesian nationalists, the National Political Bureau urges the Organization of African Unity to form a more effective strategy which will quickly induce the great Powers to assume their responsibilities. The National Political Bureau is convinced that the Salisbury régime, despite the savage murders of Rhodesian leaders, will not remain in power indefinitely.

(Signed) François TOMBALBAYE
