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LETTER DATED 26 MARCH 1968 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that on 14 March 1968, Dr. Kiesewetter, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the German Democratic Republic sent a letter to the Secretary-General of the United Nations informing him of a statement by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the German Democratic Republic on the question concerning the situation in Southern Rhodesia constituting the agenda item of the present session of the Security Council.

The letter of Dr. Kiesewetter reads as follows:

"A spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs strongly condemned the murder of African patriots in Southern Rhodesia as another act of terror of the illegal racist régime of Southern Rhodesia, he emphatically supported the demands for severest punishment of those responsible for the murder.

"The spokesman said that the German Democratic Republic, which has time and again accused the racist régime in Southern Rhodesia of terror against the African population and called for an end to its illegal rule, joined in the indignation and disgust of the democratic world public at that mean murder.

"It has become obvious that sanctions against the illegal racist régime will be unsuccessful unless an end is put to the support the Smith-clique receives from the fascist régime in the Republic of South Africa and the imperialist Western Powers, especially the Governments of the United States and West Germany.

"The spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs renewed the solidarity with all those African countries urging stricter and more stringent steps to remove the brutal racist terrorist rule in Southern Rhodesia and calling upon the British Government to fulfil at last its particular mission to solve the problem of Southern Rhodesia in a way which serves the interests of the African peoples and accords with the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly.

"He again stressed the ties linking the German Democratic Republic and the African countries and peoples fighting for their freedom and the consolidation of independence."

It is requested that this letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Please accept, etc.

(Signed) Károly CSATORDAY
Ambassador
