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The Permanent Representative of the United Arab Republic to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of his note No. PO 230 SORH (1), dated 17 December 1966, concerning resolution S/RES/232 adopted by the Security Council on 16 December 1966 on the question of Southern Rhodesia.

The position of the United Arab Republic Government on the question of Southern Rhodesia, which is based on the full support of the inalienable right of the people of Zimbabwe to freedom and independence, has been repeatedly stated on various occasions. The United Arab Republic Government, faithful to this policy, has condemned the unilateral declaration of independence, as well as the illegal régime of Ian Smith. It had already severed all economic and trade relations with the illegal régime of Southern Rhodesia long before the adoption of the above-mentioned resolution by the Ministerial Decree No. 920 of 1965.

Furthermore, the Government of the United Arab Republic will not hesitate to take any other possible action to help and assist the people of Zimbabwe to liberate their country from colonial rule.

The Permanent Representative of the United Arab Republic would be grateful if this note would be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly and the Security Council.

The Permanent Representative of the United Arab Republic avails himself, etc.