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LETTER DATED 23 JANUARY 1967 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES a.i. OF THE GABONESE
REPUBLIC ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL*

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a letter addressed to you which
the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Gabonese Republic has sent to me for prompt
delivery.

Accept, Sir, etc.

For the Ambassador

(Signed) Cyprien MOUNGUENGUI
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

* Circulated as a Security Council document at the request of the Chargé
d'Affaires a.i. of the Gabonese Republic.

Libreville, 11 January 1967

Sir,

By letter No. FO/230/SO RH of 17 December 1966, you sent me the text of Security Council resolution S/RES/232 (1966) of 16 December 1966, relating to the situation in Southern Rhodesia, and drew my attention to paragraph 8 of the resolution, which calls upon States Members of the United Nations to report to the Secretary-General the measures each has taken in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of the resolution.

I have the honour to inform you in reply that the Gabonese Government has already issued, pursuant to resolution ECM/Res (13)VI, adopted by the Organization of African Unity at its sixth special session (3-5 December 1965), a decree prohibiting:

- Landings in Gabon or flights over Gabonese territory by any aircraft bound for or coming from Southern Rhodesia;
- The docking of any Rhodesian vessel in Gabonese ports;
- Entry into Gabon by any Rhodesian national of the white race;
- All commercial relations between Gabon and Rhodesia.

The last-mentioned prohibition, which was made explicit despite the absence of trade between the two countries, would appear to meet the requirements of paragraph 2 of the Security Council resolution of 16 December 1966. Needless to say, this general prohibition applies to the supply to Rhodesia of oil or oil products originating in Gabon or other countries (paragraph 2 (f) of the resolution).

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) Jean ENGONE
