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CABLE DATED 28 JULY 1963 FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF AFRICAN AND MALAGASY STATES ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

THE CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF AFRICAN AND MALAGASY STATES, MEETING AT COTONOU, REPUBLIC OF DAHOMEY, IS FOLLOWING CLOSELY THE DELIBERATIONS NOW IN PROGRESS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF FOUR MINISTERS FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPECIALLY AUTHORIZED BY THE ORGANIZATION FOR AFRICAN UNITY AT ITS LAST CONFERENCE AT ADDIS ABABA. THE UNION OF AFRICAN AND MALAGASY STATES, ALL OF WHOSE MEMBER STATES BELONG TO THE ORGANIZATION FOR AFRICAN UNITY, FULLY SUPPORTS THE POSITIONS UPHELD BY THE SAID MINISTERS ON BEHALF OF ALL AFRICAN AND DECLARES ITSELF FIRMLY IN FAVOUR OF THE AFRO-ASIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION, WHICH IN PART EMBODIES THE EARLIER RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS. THOSE RESOLUTIONS HAD ALREADY CONDEMNED THE POLICIES OF APARTHEID PRACTISED BY THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA AS WELL AS PORTUGAL'S REFUSAL TO CO-OPERATE IN THE DECOLONIZATION OF ITS AFRICAN POSSESSIONS. THE HEADS OF AFRICAN AND MALAGASY STATES BELIEVE THAT THE UNITED NATIONS AND ITS SECURITY COUNCIL CANNOT REJECT THE AFRICAN COMPLAINT CALLING FOR THE LIBERATION OF THE STILL DEPENDENT TERRITORIES AND EXPRESSING INDIGNATION AT THE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE OF PORTUGAL AND THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA WITH REGARD TO THE OBLIGATIONS IMPOSED ON ALL MEMBER STATES BY THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THEY EARNESTLY HOPE THAT RIGHT AND JUSTICE WILL PREVAIL IN THE CURRENT DELIBERATIONS SO THAT THEY MAY PRESERVE THEIR FAITH IN THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED NATIONS. ON THEIR BEHALF I EXPRESS TO YOU AND TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL THE ASSURANCES OF THEIR HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

(Signed) MAURICE YAMEOGO,  
PRESIDENT EN EXERCICE OF THE UNION OF  
AFRICAN AND MALAGASY STATES

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