At its 2841st meeting, on 11 January 1989, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and Mongolia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the same meeting, in response to the request dated 9 January 19896 from the observer of Palestine, the Council also decided, by a vote, that an invitation should be accorded to the observer of Palestine to participate in the debate and that that invitation would confer upon it the same rights of participation as those conferred on a Member State when it was invited to

participate under rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Adopted by 11 votes to 1 (United States of America), with 3 abstentions (Canada, France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

At the same meeting, the Council further decided, at the request of the representative of Algeria, to extend an invitation to Mr. Clovis Maksoud under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

THE SITUATION IN NAMIBIA8

Decision

At its 2842nd meeting, on 16 January 1989, the Council discussed the item entitled "The situation in Namibia".

Resolution 628 (1989) of 16 January 1989

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988.

Taking note of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola, the Republic of Cuba and the Republic of South Africa, signed on 22 December 1988,9

Taking note also of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba, signed on 22 December 1988,¹⁰

Emphasizing the importance of these two agreements in strengthening international peace and security,

- 1. Welcomes the signature of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola, the Republic of Cuba and the Republic of South Africa on the one hand, and of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba on the other hand;
- 2. Expresses its full support for these agreements, and to that effect decides to follow closely the developments in their implementation;
- 3. Calls upon all parties concerned, as well as all Member States, to co-operate in the implementation of these agreements;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council fully informed on the implementation of this resolution.

Adopted unanimously at the 2842nd meeting.

Resolution 629 (1989) of 16 January 1989

The Security Council,

Reaffirming its relevant resolutions, in particular, resolutions 431 (1978) of 27 July 1978 and 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978,

Taking note of its resolution 628 (1989) of 16 January 1989,

Noting that the parties to the Protocol of Brazzaville¹¹ agreed to recommend to the Secretary-General that 1 April 1989 be established as the date for the implementation of resolution 435 (1978),

Recognizing the progress in the south-western Africa peace process,

Expressing its concern at the increase in the police and paramilitary forces and the establishment of the South-West Africa Territorial Force since 1978, and stressing the need to ensure conditions under which the Namibian people will be able to participate in free and fair elections under the supervision and control of the United Nations.

Noting also that these developments make appropriate a re-examination of the requirements for the United Nations Transition Assistance Group effectively to fulfil its mandate which include, interalia, keeping borders under surveillance, preventing infiltration, preventing intimidation and ensuring the safe return of refugees and their free participation in the electoral process,

Recalling the approval by the Security Council of the Secretary-General's statement on 29 September 1978 to the Council, 12

⁶ Document S/20392, incorporated in the record of the 2841st meeting.

⁷ Document S/20390, incorporated in the record of the 2841st meeting.

⁸ Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987 and 1988

^{1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987} and 1988.

Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-third Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1988, document S/20346, annex.

¹⁰ Ibid., document S/20345, annex

¹¹ *Ibid.*, document S/20325, annex.

¹² Document S/12869; for the text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-third Year, 2087th meeting, paras. 11-22.