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LETTER DATED 24 JULY 1978 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT
OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour, on behalf of the African Group of States at the United Nations, to request you to circulate as a document of the Security Council the attached resolution on sanctions against Southern Rhodesia adopted by the Fifteenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, at its meeting in Khartoum, Democratic Republic of the Sudan, from 18 to 21 July 1978.

(Signed) Elisio de FIGUEIREDO
Permanent Representative of Angola
to the United Nations
Chairman of the African Group
for the month of July 1978

RESOLUTION ON SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTHERN RHODESIA

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting in its Fifteenth Ordinary Session in Khartoum, Democratic Republic of the Sudan, from 18 to 21 July 1978,

Reaffirming its unequivocal commitment to support the struggle of the people of Zimbabwe until complete and genuine freedom and independence of the territory is achieved,

Recalling United Nations Security Council resolution which rejected the so-called internal settlement in Zimbabwe,

Affirming its conviction that the so-called internal settlement constitutes yet another manoeuvre of the illegal racist minority régime to maintain its domination and oppression of the African people of Zimbabwe,

Conscious of the imperative need to maintain and intensify the isolation of the Smith racist minority régime,

Conscious also of the fact that mandatory sanctions against the Rhodesian régime constitutes an important element in the isolation of that régime and in support of the Zimbabwe liberation struggle,

Having been informed of the current moves in the United States of America to lift sanctions against the Smith régime in violation of international law,

Bearing in mind the responsibility of all States to scrupulously apply sanctions in accordance with the decisions of the Security Council,

1. REAFFIRMS its prior support for the armed struggle waged by the people of Zimbabwe under the leadership of the Patriotic Front;
2. CONDEMNS all manoeuvres of the racist minority régime including the so-called internal settlement calculated to perpetuate colonial and racist domination of Zimbabwe;
3. CALLS UPON all States to continue to support the struggle of the people of Zimbabwe and in particular to strictly adhere to the existing mandatory sanctions against the racist minority régime;
4. DECLARES that it is particularly incumbent upon all those States which are permanent members of the Security Council to comply with the decisions of the Council by strictly enforcing sanctions;
5. DECLARES also that any breach of sanctions by any of these States constitutes a particular affront to the dignity and aspirations of the African peoples;

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6. CONSIDERS that such an action constitutes an unfriendly act to Africa and a serious impediment to any genuine effort towards a negotiated settlement;

7. REQUESTS the Security Council to adopt further measures provided for under Article 41 of the United Nations Charter.
