

NOTE VERBALE DATED 9 DECEMBER 1977 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BULGARIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bulgaria presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the latter's telegram addressed to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, accompanied by the text of resolution 418 (1977), adopted by the Security Council on 4 November 1977, relating to an arms embargo against the racist régime of Pretoria.

In this connexion, the Permanent Representative is instructed by his Government to state the following:

"Proceeding from its policy of principle in these matters, the People's Republic of Bulgaria has welcomed with satisfaction the adoption by the Security Council of resolution 418 (1977) and will implement in a consistent and strict manner all its provisions. The People's Republic of Bulgaria does not maintain any diplomatic and economic relations whatsoever with South Africa and has not been providing and will not provide arms and military equipment.

"The People's Republic of Bulgaria considers that the adoption by the Security Council of further effective measures in the struggle against racism and <u>apartheid</u> in southern Africa will greatly assist the speedy elimination of the last vestiges of colonialism."

The Permanent Representative should be grateful if the Secretary-General would circulate this note as a document of the Security Council.

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