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Letter dated 9 June 1989 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement issued on 9 June 1989 by a spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan on South Africa's decision to further extend the state of emergency (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 28 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Statement issued on 9 June 1989 by a spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan on South Africa's decision to further extend the state of emergency

- 1. The Government of Japan learned with regret the decision of the Government of the Republic of South Africa to further extend the state of emergency.
- 2. While Namibia is now on the road to independence and the international community's expectation of reform in South Africa has been mounting, the South African Government's decision to extend the state of emergency came contrary to such an expectation.
- 3. The Government of Japan again strongly urges the Government of South Africa to repeal the state of emergency immediately and to make a political decision to lift the existing ban on such anti-apartheid organizations as the ANC and PAC, to release unconditionally Mr. Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners, and to begin talks with a wide range of black leaders as soon as possible.

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