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OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Representative of the German Democratic Republic to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and with reference to the latter's note SCPC 2-2-4 (84) of 21 December 1984 has the honour to communicate the following.

The German Democratic Republic has always uncompromisingly condemned South Africa's racist policy of apartheid. It has supported unconditionally all resolutions of the Security Council which aim at the discontinuation of this policy.

The German Democratic Republic feels compelled to state that South Africa is making increasing efforts to perpetuate its system of segregation and racialism. In defiance of all relevant resolutions of the Security Council and the General Assembly of the United Nations it is continuing the illegal occupation of Namibia. Through its continued acts of aggression, destabilization and State terrorism against independent neighbouring countries and its permanently growing military potential, the apartheid State is jeopardizing international peace and security. In this context, particular concern is naturally raised by Pretoria's striving for nuclear weapons. Therefore, the German Democratic Republic emphatically supports growing international demands for comprehensive sanctions to be imposed against South Africa in accordance with Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

It condemns all those forces which, preventing comprehensive sanctions and disregarding Security Council resolution 418 (1977), allow the peace-endangering régime of apartheid to continue.

In the view of the German Democratic Republic it is also imperative to eliminate all loopholes which may still be found in the arms embargo imposed on the racist State.

The German Democratic Republic commends Security Council resolution 558 (1984) as another important step towards strengthening the arms embargo adopted under Security Council resolution 418 (1977). It reaffirms that it does not maintain any

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political, economic, military or other relations with South Africa and acts in full compliance with the provisions of Security Council resolution 558 (1984).

It would be greatly appreciated if this note could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.
