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Letter dated 13 May 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement issued today by the Government of Uruguay concerning the decision taken on 18 April 1985 by the Government of South Africa to establish an interim government in Namibia.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter and the enclosed statement to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 34 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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Statement issued by the Government of Uruguay on 13 May 1985

The Government of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay wishes to express its firmest opposition to the decision taken by the Government of South Africa on 18 April 1985 to establish an interim government in Namibia, and to state at the same time that it considers that decision to be null and void.

This step taken by the Government of South Africa is in violation of resolutions of the main organs of the United Nations, in particular Security Council resolutions 435 (1978) and 439 (1978), General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and the 1971 advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice.

The Government of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay, in expressing its support for the United Nations Council for Namibia, the sole legitimate authority for the administration of the Territory of Namibia in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2248 (S-V), reiterates its full endorsement of the United Nations plan for the independence of Namibia set out in Security Council resolution 435 (1978).

