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STATEMENT BY THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA ON THE OUTCOME OF THEIR
CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PEOPLES OF SOUTH WEST AFRICA AS TO THE
FUTURE STATUS OF THE MANDATED TERRITORY AND IMPLEMENTATION TO
BE GIVEN TO THE WISHES THUS EXPRESSED

DELEGATIONS OF DENMARK, INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES: AMENDMENT
TO THE RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING CONSIDERED the statements of the Delegation of the Union of
South Africa regarding the question of incorporating the mandated territory
of South West Africa in the Union;

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION that the Union of South Africa, by presenting
this matter to the United Nations, recognizes the interest and concern of
the United Nations in the matter of the future status of territories now
held under mandate;

RECALLING that the Charter of the United Nations provides in Articles
77 and 79 that the trusteeship system shall apply to territories now under
mandate as may be subsequently agreed;

REFERRING to the resolution of the General Assembly of 9 February 1946,
inviting the placing of mandated territories under trusteeship;

DESIRING that agreement between the United Nations and the Union of
South Africa may hereafter be reached regarding the future status of the
mandated territory of South West Africa;

ASSURED BY the Delegation of the Union of South Africa that, pending
such agreement, the Union Government will continue to administer the
territory as heretofore in the spirit of the principles laid down in the mandate;

/CONSIDERING

* This Amendment replaces the Amendment to the Resolution submitted by the
Fourth Committee issued as document A/250/Add.1

CONSIDERING that the African inhabitants of South West Africa have not yet secured political autonomy or reached a stage of political development enabling them to express a considered opinion which the Assembly could recognize on such an important question as incorporation of their territory;

THEREFORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

IS UNABLE TO ACCEDE to the incorporation of the territory of South West Africa in the Union of South Africa; and

RECOMMENDS that the mandated territory of South West Africa be placed under the international trusteeship system and invites the Government of the Union of South Africa to propose for the consideration of the General Assembly a trusteeship agreement for the aforesaid territory.
