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Letter dated 5 August 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission 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 31 July by the Director-General for Public Information and Cultural Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, on South Africa's proclamation of a state of emergency (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this text circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 35 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Statement issued on 31 July 1985 by the Director-General
for Public Information and Cultural Affairs, Ministry of
Foreign Affairs of Japan, on South Africa's proclamation
of a state of emergency

The Government of Japan expresses its deep regret that the Government of the Republic of South Africa, where frequent violent anti-apartheid protests are resulting in heavy casualties, proclaimed on 21 July a state of emergency in its 36 magisterial districts and is attempting to solve the situation with this high-handed measure.

The Government of Japan hereby affirms its strong desire that the Government of the Republic of South Africa will abolish its apartheid policy and urges all concerned to make whole-hearted efforts to find a peaceful solution to the situation.
