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POLICIES OF APARTHEID OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA

Report of the Special Political Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Paul COTTON (New Zealand)

1. At its 56th plenary meeting, on 7 November 1979, the General Assembly, in accordance with the decision taken at its 4th plenary meeting, on 21 September, decided that the following organizations should be heard by the Special Political Committee on agenda item 28, entitled "Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa":

- (a) Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization;
- (b) American Committee on Africa;
- (c) International Committee against Apartheid, Racial Discrimination and Colonialism in Southern Africa;
- (d) World Peace Council.

2. In a letter dated 7 November 1979 (A/SPC/34/4) addressed to the Chairman of the Special Political Committee, the President of the General Assembly requested the Committee to afford the above-mentioned organizations an opportunity to be heard at a meeting on Monday, 12 November, in the morning, and to report thereon as soon as possible.

3. In accordance with the above-mentioned decision of the General Assembly, the Special Political Committee held its 26th meeting on 12 November and heard statements by the following speakers:

Mr. George Houser, Executive Director of the American Committee on Africa;

Mr. Nouri Abdulrazzak, Acting Secretary-General of the Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization;

Mr. Romesh Chandra, President of the World Peace Council;

Mr. Sékou Souvanno)

) , Members of the delegation of the World Peace Council;

Mr. Amos Ngwenya)

Mr. Vassos Lyssarides, Secretary-General of the International Committee
against Apartheid, Racial Discrimination and Colonialism in Southern
Africa.

The texts of those statements are reproduced in the verbatim record of the
meeting (A/SPC/34/PV.26).

4. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to submit a report to the General
Assembly in accordance with the request of the President of the General Assembly
mentioned in paragraph 2 above.
