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MR. PRESIDENT,

ON TAKING THE FLOOR FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THIS SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WE RESPECTFULLY BOW IN MEMORY OF A GREAT STATESMAN AND FREEDOM FIGHTER, DR. AGOSTINHO NETO, PRESIDENT OF THE MPLA-WORKER'S PARTY AND PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA.

HIS HIGHLY REGARDED HUMANISTIC NATURE, AND HIS COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE AND THE STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM, MAKE HIM AN HISTORIC FIGURE TO BE REMEMBERED FOREVER.

PRESIDENT NETO WON ADMIRATION AND AFFECTION NOT ONLY FROM HIS OWN ANGOLAN PEOPLE AND THE STRUGGLING PEOPLE IN OUR OWN ZONE, BUT HE WAS ADMIRER AND LOVED BY ALL PEACE LOVING PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

FOR US, HE WAS AND WILL ALWAYS BE A SYMBOL OF THE FIGHTING AFRICA. HE WILL CONTINUE TO BE A SYMBOL OF THAT AFRICA DETERMINED TO BREAK LOOSE THE CHAINS OF COLONIALIST AND IMPERIALIST DOMINATION. FOR US, PRESIDENT NETO WAS AND WILL ALWAYS BE THE SYMBOL OF THAT AFRICA WHICH BUILDS ON THE HAPPINESS OF THE PEOPLE.

FOR US, PEOPLE FIGHTING FOR A SOCIETY FREE FROM EXPLOITATION OF MAN BY MAN, THE BEST WAY TO PAY HONOR TO HIS MEMORY, CAN ONLY BE THROUGH THE PURSUANCE OF HIS IDEALS OF STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND JUSTICE:

MR. PRESIDENT,

FOR US, WHO COME FROM A ZONE OF CONFRONTATION BETWEEN LIBERTY AND DOMINATION, IT IS WITH SPECIAL EMOTION THAT WE CONGRATULATE YOUR EXCELLENCE FOR YOUR UNANIMOUS ELECTION TO THE PRESIDENCY OF THIS 34TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

YOUR EXCELLENCY COMES FROM THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA,
 A FRONTLINE STATE ^{with} WHICH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE
 IS UNITED THROUGH TIES OF BLOOD SHED BY OUR TWO PEOPLES IN THE
 COMMON STRUGGLE AGAINST COLONIAL DOMINATION AND IMPERIALIST
 AGGRESSION.

THE PARTY, THE PEOPLE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF TANZANIA WERE
 ALWAYS WITH US IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST PORTUCUESE COLONIALISM.
 TODAY WE ARE TOGETHER IN THE SAME TRENCH IN THE STRUGGLE FOR
 POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC EMANCIPATION OF OUR COUNTRIES. THE UNITED
 REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA STILL REMAINS IN THE FRONTLINE OF OUR COMMON
 STRUGGLE AGAINST RACIST AND MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

FOR ITS COMMITMENT IN THE STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION OF
 THE WORLD IN GENERAL, AND OF AFRICA IN PARTICULAR, YOUR COUNTRY
 BECAME A PERMANENT TARGET OF IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION. THE INVASION
 AND MASSACRES RECENTLY PERPETRATED BY THE FACIST HORDE OF IDI AMIN
 AGAINST THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA WERE INTENDED TO DESTROY
 A SECURE BULWARK OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. ONCE AGAIN
 JUSTICE AND LIBERTY TRIUMPHED. ONCE AGAIN TERROR AND OPRESSION
 WERE DEFEATED.

FROM 1971 AMBASSADOR SALIM A. SALIM IN HIS CAPACITY AS
 PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF 24, HAS DEMONSTRATED NOT ONLY THE
 QUALITIES OF A GREAT DIPLOMAT BUT ALSO THOSE OF A TRUE FIGHTER
 FOR THE PEOPLE SUBJECTED TO COLONIAL AND RACIST DOMINATION. WE ARE
 CERTAIN THAT, WITH YOUR EXPERIENCE AND DEDICATION TO THE IDEALS OF
 LIBERATION AS WELL AS YOUR COMMITMENT TO PEACE AND PROGRESS, THE
 WORK WORK OF THIS SESSION WILL, UNDER YOUR ENLIGHTENED GUIDANCE, BE
 REWARDED WITH SUCESS WHICH WILL BE IMPORTANT IN THE COMING DECADE.

THE DECADE WHICH IN TWO MONTHS-TIME HAS BEEN A QUALITATIVE SUCCESS IN TERMS OF THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE BY THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD IN GENERAL AND OF AFRICA IN PARTICULAR.

IN ASIA, THE PEOPLES OF AFGHANISTAN AND IRAN SUCCEEDED IN DEPOSING DICTATORIAL REGIMES WHICH WERE PART OF THE SEIGE OF IMPERIALISM FIRE AGAINST SOCIALIST FORCES.

HOWEVER IT IS THE HISTORIC VICTORY OF THE PEOPLES OF REUNIFIED VIETNAM, LAOS AND KAMPUCHEA OVER THE MAJOR IMPERIALIST POWER, THAT CONTINUES TO INSPIRE AND ENCOURAGE MANKIND'S STRUGGLE FOR JUST SOCIETIES FREE FROM THE EXPLOITATION OF MAN BY MAN.

IN LATIN AMERICA, THE PEOPLE OF NICARAGUA GRENADA SWEEP AWAY OLIGARCHIC DICTATORSHIPS, PAVING THE WAY FOR NEW POSSIBILITIES OF LIBERATION IN THIS REGION.

IN EUROPE FOLLOWING THE COLLAPSE OF THE SALAZAR-CAETANO FASCIST-COLONIAL DICTATORSHIP IN PORTUGAL AND THAT OF FRANCO IN SPAIN, THE PEOPLE OF THESE COUNTRIES REESTABLISHED THE FREEDOM DENIED THEM FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS THROUGH SYSTEMATIC TERROR AND REPRESSION.

IN AFRICA, FOR CENTURIES SUBJECTED TO PILLAGE AND COLONIAL AND IMPERIALIST DOMINATION AND EXPLOITATION, THE COLLAPSE OF THE PORTUGUESE COLONIAL EMPIRE, THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE SEYCHELLES, THE COMOROS, AND DJIBOUTI, THE OVERTHROW OF THE BACKWARD IMPERIAL REGIME OF ETHIOPIA; THE DESTRUCTION OF THE CORRUPT AND DICTATORIAL REGIMES OF UGANDA AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA; AND THE REVOLUTIONARY TRANSFORMATIONS IN BENIN, MADAGASCAR, CONGO, ETHIOPIA AND THE SEYCHELLES, CONSTITUTE IMPORTANT VICTORIES FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLES.

IN NORTH AFRICA THE MILITARY, POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC SUCCESSES OF POLISARIO WHICH RESULTED IN THE PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN IT AND MAURITANIA, CONTRIBUTE TO A GREATER ISOLATION OF THE COLONIAL REGIM IN RABAT. BY SIGNING THE ACCORD, MAURITANIA REGAINED THE DIGNITY IT LOST DURING ITS ASSOCIATION WITH THE EXPANSIONIST

AND COLONIAL ADVENTURES OF MARROCO. THE NEW LEADERS OF MAURRITANIA HAVE IN THIS WAY SHOWN, A GREATER SENSE OF RESPONSABILITY AND COMPREHENSION OF THE INEVITABILITY OF THE VICTORY OF THE PEOPLES' STRUGGLE FOR THEIR SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE.

TO THE CONTRARY MOROCCO PERSISTS IN REFUSING TO RECOGNIZE AND ACCEPT THE NATIONAL REALITY OF THE SAHARAQUI PEOPLE. MOROCCO IS FLAGRANTLY VIOLATING THE CHARTER AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, PARTICULARLY RESOLUTION 1514 (XV).

SHAMELESSLY THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO, CLAIMING OWNERSHIP, IS OCCUPYING BY FORCE THAT PART OF THE TERRITORY OF WESTERN SAHARA WHICH ONLY YESTERDAY IT WAS ADVOCATING BELONGED TO MAURITANIA. THIS CLEARLY REVEALS HOW FALLACIOUS THE ARGUMENTS OF MOROCCO ARE HAVING NO OTHER INTENTIONS THAN TO CAMOUFLAGE ITS EXPANSIONIST ASPIRATIONS.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MUST CONDEMN THIS OCCUPATION AND DEMAND THE RABAT REGIME'S WITHDRAWAL FROM SAHARAQUI TERRITORY SO THAT THE PEOPLE OF WESTERN SAHARA, UNDER THE ENLIGHTENED LEADERSHIP OF POLISARIO, ARE ABLE TO PROMOTE IN PEACE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR COUNTRY. THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE REITERATES ITS TOTAL SOLIDARITY WITH THE JUST STRUGGLE OF THE SAHARAQUI PEOPLE.

IT IS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA HOWEVER, WHERE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGES HAVE TAKEN PLACE. THE PROCLAMATION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE HAS SHAKEN THE IMPERIALIST STRATEGY OF DOMINATION AND EXPLOITATION OF OUR PEOPLES AND OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES. IN ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE, THE FLAG OF PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM IS FLYING IN THE EYES OF THE LAST BASTIONS OF RACIST AND COLONIAL DOMINATION. THE INDEPENDENCE OF

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OUR TWO COUNTRIES SIGNALLED THE EVENTUAL COLLAPSE OF THE SYSTEM OF APARTHEID RACISM AND COLONIALISM. IMPERIALISM DOES NOT READILY ACCEPT THIS. THUS, WHILE AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL, IMPERIALISM SPREADS CALUMNIOUS CAMPAIGNS OF LIES AND DEFAMATION AGAINST THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA. IT ORGANIZES, FINANCES AND INTENSIFIES MILITARY AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR THE RACIST REGIMES TO ATTACK OUR COUNTRIES.

DESPERATE IN THEIR INABILITY TO LIQUIDATE THE NATIONAL MOVEMENTS, THE IMPERIALIST POWERS ARE TRYING TO CO-OPT MOVEMENTS BY APPEARING AS DEFENDERS OF THE LIBERATION OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA, ZIMBABWE, AND SOUTH AFRICA.

IN WASHINGTON, LONDON, PARIS, BONN AND OTHER HEADQUARTERS OF POWER IN THE WESTERN COUNTRIES, PLANS ARE BEING ORCHESTRATED TO SAFEGUARD WHAT IS EUPHEMISTICALLY CALLED "WESTERN CIVILIZATION", WHICH WAS IMPOSED ON OUR PEOPLE, THROUGH THE WHIPS AND SHACKLES ... THROUGH CRUELTY AND TERROR.

THIS IS HOW THE ANGLO-AMERICAN INITIATIVES FOR ZIMBABWE AND THE INITIATIVES OF THE FIVE WESTERN POWERS FOR NAMIBIA CAME INTO BEING. THESE ARE INITIATIVES ENGENDERED TO MANTAIN HUNGER, MISERY, ILLITERACY AND DISEASE IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIE. THIS IS DONE TO ASSURE THAT SOUTH AFRICA REMAINS A FARM, A PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR THE TRANSNATIONAL COMPANIES AND A STRATEGIC BASE FOR AGGRESSION AGAINST AND DOMINATION OF THE REST OF AFRICA. IMPERIALISM DOES NOT CARE THAT CHILDREN ARE MASSACRED AT NYAZONIA, WOMEN ARE ASSASSINATED IN KASSINGA, MEN ARE DICIMATED BY UNDERNOURISHMENT IN THE PLANTATIONS OF RHODESIA OR THAT YOUNG PEOPLO ARE BRUTALLY MURDERED IN SOWETO FOR REFUSING "ACCULTURATION" THIS IS THE "WESTERN DEMOCRACY", "THE WESTERN VALUES" WHICH ARE HEROICALLY RESISTED BY THE PEOPLES OF OUR ZONE.

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THE BRUTALITY OF THE RACISTS AND THE IMPERIALISTS FIND AN ANSWER AMONG OUR PEOPLE, WHO WITH WEAPONS IN THEIR HANDS AND WITH THEIR OWN BLOOD AND THROUGH THE SACRIFICE OF THEIR BEST SONS HAVE DRAWN A FRONTIER BETWEEN FREEDOM AND OPRESSION, BETWEEN HUMAN DIGNITY AND SERVITUDE.

IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA, THE ARMED STRUGGLE IS GAINING MOMENTUM AND IS INCREASINGLY TIGHTENING A NOSE AROUND THESE CENTERS OF DOMINATION AND EXPLOITATION. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT OF ZIMBABWE AND SWAPO IN NAMIBIA, THROUGH THE DETERMINATION AND SACRIFICES SHOWN DURING THEIR RESPECTIVE LIBERATION STRUGGLES HAVE PROVEN TO BE ONLY LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PEOPLES AND IN THIS WAY HAVE WON THE ADMIRATION AND RESPECT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

MR. PRESIDENT,

THE LEGITIMACY AND THE FAIRNESS OF THE STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA WERE UNANIMOUSLY REAFIRMED BY THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE WHICH TOOK PLACE IN MAPUTO IN MAY OF 1977. AS A RESULT OF THIS CONFERENCE THE RACIST AND MINORITY REGIMES OF PRETORIA AND SALISBURY, WERE SUBJECTED TO INCREASED INTERNATIONAL ISOLATION AND THE MANOUVERS OF THESE TWO REGIMES, AIMED AT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PUPPET REGIMES, WERE DENOUNCED:

DURING THIS CONFERENCE, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY REITERATED THE NEED FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS DECREED BY THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL AGAINST THE BRITISH COLONY OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND MADE AN APPEAL FOR THE IMPOSITION OF A MANDATORY ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA WHICH PERSISTS IN THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF NAMIBIA TERRITORY.

THIS CONFERENCE CONDEMNED CERTAIN WESTERN POWERS WHICH, IN VIOLATION OF THE SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE UNITED NATIONS TO SUPPLY MILITARY MEANS AND OTHER TYPE OF SUPPORT WHICH MAINTAIN THE COLONIZATION OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA AND ENCOURAGE AGGRESSION AGAINST THE FRONTLINE STATES.

ON THE OTHER HAND, THE CONFERENCE MADE AN APPEAL FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO INCREASE POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AS WELL AS TO THE FRONTLINE STATES.

HOWEVER, IT IS REGRETTABLE TO NOTICE THAT ALTHOUGH WE WERE TOGETHER IN MAKING THIS DECISION, WE ARE DIVIDED IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION.

THUS WE FIND THAT IN MOZAMBIQUE, ANGOLA, ZAMBIA AND BOTSWANA, THE PLANES COMMITTING MASSACRES ARE OF FRENCH PATENT, THE WEAPONS KILLING DEFENSELESS PEOPLE ARE OF BELGIAN MAKE, THE HELICOPTERS TRANSPORTING MERCENARIES AND MACHINEGUNNING SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE OF AMERICAN ORIGIN. AND IT IS GREAT BRITAIN WHICH PROVIDES THE ILLEGAL REGIME WITH FUEL ENABLING THEM TO ATTACK US. WITH ALL THIS, THEY INTEND TO IMPEDE THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. THE FRIENDS OF EXPLOITATION AND DOMINATION CONTINUE TO SUPPORT RACISM AND COLONIALISM.

TO THE CONTRARY, THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, THE NORDIC COUNTRIES AND OTHER PEACE AND FREEDOM LOVING PEOPLES HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED THEIR SUPPORT TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND TO THE FRONTLINE STATES. IT IS FROM THESE COUNTRIES THAT WE RECEIVE AMBULANCES AND BLANKETS FOR THE REFUGEE CAMPS, SEEDS AND TRACTORS FOR OUR AGRICULTURAL CENTERS WHICH ARE BEING DESTROYED DAILY BY THE RACISTS. THEY SUPPLY US WITH PHYSICIANS,

ENGINEERS AND TECHNICIANS WITH WHOM THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND THE FRONTLINE STATES BUILD TOGETHER THE SOCIAL PROGRESS OF THEIR PEOPLES.

THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL NEEDS OF OUR STRUGGLE. THEY SUPPLY US WITH THE NECESSARY WEAPONS FOR THE STRENGTHENING OF OUR DEFENSE CAPACITY, THUS IMPLEMENTING THE DECISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL.

THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA ANSWER THE OBSTINACY OF THE COLONIALISTS AND RACISTS BY INTENSIFYING THE ARMED LIBERATION STRUGGLE.

IN ZIMBABWE, THE COLONIAL POWER IS COMPELLED TO FACE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE DECOLONIZATION PROCESS PRIMARILY AS A RESULT OF THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY VICTORIES OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AS WELL AS THE PRESENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

IT IS WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK THAT GREAT BRITAIN ACCEPTED IN A COMMONWEALTH MEETING HELD RECENTLY IN LUSAKA, THE CONVENING OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON WITH A VIEW TO SORTING OUT A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION TO THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM.

THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, IN ACCEPTING TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CONFERENCE, DEMONSTRATED AGAIN THAT THE FORCES WAGING THE FREEDOM FIGHT CAN ALSO NEGOTIATE A PEACE AIMED AT BRINGING ABOUT LIBERTY AND DIGNITY TO THEIR PEOPLE. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, DETERMINED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THIS CONFERENCE, HAS SHOWN MATURITY AND FLEXIBILITY IN THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATIONS. IT IS THE PATRIOTIC FRONT WHICH IS MAKING SUBSTANTIVE CONCESSIONS. AS AN EXAMPLE, IN ACCEPTING THAT 20 PER CENT OF THE SEATS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BE RESERVED FOR WHITES, THE PATRIOTIC FRONT

SACRIFICED AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF ITS ANTI-RACIST PRINCIPLES WITH THE AIM OF FACILITATING THE SEARCH FOR A SOLUTION. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT IS THE MAIN FORCE IN ZIMBABWE WHICH LEADS THE ARMED LIBERATION STRUGGLE. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT IS THE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ZIMBABWEAN PEOPLE. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT REPRESENTS THE IDEALS OF FREEDOM AND JUSTICE.

THEREFORE, ALL OUR SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY MUST BE GIVEN TO THE PATRIOTIC FRONT. NOBODY IS MORE ABLE THAN THE PATRIOTIC FRONT TO DETERMINE, WHETHER OR NOT THE OBJECTIVES FOR WHICH IT IS FIGHTING HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED.

ONLY THE ATTAINMENT OF THESE OBJECTIVES CAN END THE ARMED STRUGGLE, BRING PEACE AND CONSEQUENTLY THE LIFTING OF SANCTIONS.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CAN NOT ACCEPT THE UNILATERAL LIFTING OF SANCTIONS AS SOME OF THE MOST CONSERVATIVE SPHERES IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND IN THE UNITED KINGDOM SUGGEST.

WE HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THESE COUNTRIES AND OTHERS, WILL RESIST PRESSURES IN THIS DIRECTION.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MUST CONDEMN ANY GOVERNMENT IN ZIMBABWE WHICH IS NOT BASED IN A CRITERIA ESTABLISHED IN FULL AGREEMENT WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT.

ON THE QUESTION OF NAMIBIA, SWAPO, THE FRONTLINE STATES AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAVE ACCEPTED THE PLAN OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR THE DECOLONIZATION OF THIS TERRITORY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 435 OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND OTHER RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS OF OUR ORGANIZATION.

MEANWHILE, SOUTH AFRICA IS REFUSING TO IMPLEMENT IT,

IN FLAGRANT DEFIANCE OF THE DECISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

ITS INTRANSIGENCY RESULTS FROM THE COMPLICITY AND SUPPORT IT RECEIVES FROM CERTAIN WESTERN COUNTRIES.

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO DENOUNCE AND CONDEMN THE DELAYING MANOEUVERS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND ITS ALLIES, WHICH TRY TO CREATE OBSTACLES TO THE LIBERATION PROCESS OF THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA. THE UNITED NATIONS MUST TAKE CONCRETE MEASURES AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA SO AS TO ENSURE THAT THE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL BE APPLIED. WE MUST INTENSIFY OUR SUPPORT FOR AND SOLIDARITY WITH SWAPO WHICH FIGHTS FOR

A FREE, UNITED AND INDIVISIBLE HOMELAND. WALVIS BAY IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF NAMIBIA. NAMIBIA BELONGS TO NAMIBIANS, AND NO ONE CAN ALLEGE A RIGHT TO APPROPRIATE ANY SINGLE PART OF ITS TERRITORY.

THE MAIN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLES OF AFRICA IS THE RACIST REGIME OF PRETORIA AND ITS DEVIL SYSTEM OF DOMINATION AND APARTHEID.

APARTHEID IS HUNGER AND MISERY, DISEASE AND IGNORANCE, ACCULTURATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT, IN OTHER WORDS, APARTHEID IS A COMPLETE DENIAL OF THE HUMAN BEING.

OPPOSED BY SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLES, DENOUNCED AND REJECTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THE APARTHEID REGIME TRIES TO INTRODUCE COSMETIC CHANGES WHICH DO NOT MODIFY IN SUBSTANCE THE STRUCTURE OF DOMINATION AND DISCRIMINATION. IT IS IN THIS CONTEXT THAT WE WITNESS THE PSEUDO-LIBERALIZATION OF THE REGIME IN CERTAIN SOCIAL DOMAINS. IT IS ALSO IN THE SAME CONTEXT THAT THE POLICY OF BANTUSTANIZATION WAS INTRODUCED. THROUGH THE BANTUSTANS THE REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA TRIES TO CREATE BUFFER STATES IN ORDER

TO PROTECT THE RACIST CITADEL. THROUGH THE BANTUSTANS, IT CAN PUT AT ITS DISPOSAL A PERMANENT RESERVE OF CHEAP LABOUR FORCE WHICH ENSURES THE CONTINUITY OF THE SYSTEM OF EXPLOITATION. THROUGH BANTUSTANS THE PEOPLE WHICH CONSTITUTE THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATION ARE DIVIDED. THAT IS WHY WE SAY "NO" TO THE BANTUSTAN OF TRANSKEI, "NO" TO THE BANTUSTAN OF BOPHUTHUSWANA AND "NO" TO THE BANTUSTAN OF VENDA. AND WE WILL SAY "NO" TO ANY BANTUSTAN

IT IS A SACRED DUTY OF PEACE AND FREEDOM LOVING FORCES, AND PARTICULARLY THE UNITED NATIONS TO SUPPORT THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE LED BY THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS (A.N.C.).

THE ERADICATION OF APARTHEID IS AN ESSENTIAL TASK OF THE WHOLE OF HUMANITY.

MR. PRESIDENT,

WE, THE FRONTLINE STATES FEEL THAT OUR OWN INDEPENDENCE IS INCOMPLETE UNTIL THE DAY THAT ALL THE PEOPLE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE FREE FROM COLONIALISM AND RACISM. UNTIL THAT DAY WE WILL PROVIDE A SECURE REAR BASE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.

THAT IS WHY IN 1975 ON THE OCCASION OF THE ADMISSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE INTO THE UNIVERSAL COMMUNITY OF NATIONS WE APPEALED FOR A COMPLETE AND TOTAL BOYCOTT AGAINST THE ILLEGAL AND RACIST REGIME OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA AND WE AFFIRMED OUR DECISIVE READINESS TO ASSUME ALL THE RESPONSIBILITIES IN CONFORMITY WITH OUR INTERNATIONAL DUTIES.

A FEW MONTHS LATER ON FEBRUARY THE 3rd, 1976, THE PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE, H.E. SAMORA MACHESHE, ANNOUNCED TO THE WORLD THE CLOSING OF OUR BORDERS WITH

THE BRITISH COLONY OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 253.

THIS ACT CONSTITUTES OUR EXAMPLE OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE STRUGGLING PEOPLES. IT IS NOT JUST A MERE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES BECAUSE WE CONVERTED IT INTO CONCRETE ACTION. THE FULFILLMENT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND OF OTHER PERTINENT ONES HAS CAUSED SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES IN THE ECONOMY OF OUR OWN COUNTRY. THESE DIFFICULTIES ARE AGGRAVATED BY THE FACT THAT OUR ECONOMIC STRUCTURE, CONCEIVED BY COLONIALISM HAD BEEN ORIENTED TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE RACIST REGIMES OF PRETORIA AND SALISBURY.

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF OUR WORKERS WENT TO THE PLANTATIONS AND MINES OF RHODESIA.

TOWARD SOUTHERN RHODESIA WERE DIRECTED IMPORTANT ROADS AND RAILROAD CONNECTIONS. THE MAIN PURPOSE OF ALL THESE CONNECTIONS WAS THE TRANSPORT OF RHODESIAN GOODS.

THE BREACH OF THIS FLOW CAME TO SURCHARGE OUR ALREADY WEAK ECONOMIC SITUATION. HOWEVER DESPITE OF ALL THESE DIFFICULTIES, THE MOZAMBICAN PEOPLE ARE GIVING SHELTER TO MORE THAN 160,000 ZIMBABWEAN REFUGEES, WHO ARE IN NEED OF FOOD, HEALTH CARE, HOUSING, CLOTHING. THEY NEED HOES, TRACTORS AND OTHER MEANS OF PRODUCTION OF FOOD. THE CHILDREN NEED MILK AND BOOKS. IT IS OUR PEOPLE IN MOZAMBIQUE WHO ENDURE THE MAJOR PART OF THIS BURDEN.

MR. PRESIDENT,

OUR COUNTRY IS A VICTIM OF CONSTANT ARMED AGGRESSIONS FROM THE RACISTS. WHY DOES THE ENEMY ATTACK US? ALLOW ME, EXCELLENCY, TO QUOTE HIS EXCELLENCY SAMORA MOISES MACHEL, THE

PRESIDENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE IN THIS REGARD:

"WHAT IS THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE ENEMY? ...TO IMPEDE OUR SUPPORT TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENT OF ZIMBABWE, TO OBSTRUCT OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE CONSOLIDATION OF OUR INDEPENDENCE. THE SMITH/MUZOREWA REGIME CARRIES OUT HIS ROLE OF DEVOTED AGENT OF IMPERIALISM IN THE AREA. HIS TASKS ARE TO PREVENT THE LIBERATION OF ZIMBABWE, TO PREVENT THE LIBERATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN AND NAMIBIAN AND ALSO TO DISTABILIZE THE INDEPENDENT STATES IN THE AREA."

IN THE BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER, JUST BEFORE THE PRESENT GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION STARTED THE ENEMY FORCES COMMITTED A TOTAL NUMBER OF 18 ARMED ATTACKS AND 65 FRONTIER VIOLATIONS. IN ONE OF THE EVER BIGGEST ESCALATIONS, THE RHODESIAN FORCES USED 13 "MIRAGE" PLANES, 8 "BELL" HELICOPTERS AND 5 RECONNAISSANCE PLANES

THEY CAME TO SPREAD DEATH AND DESTRUCTION. MOZAMBIKANS WERE KILLED AND WOUNDED. THEY HAD AS A MAIN TARGET AN IMPORTANT AGRO-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX IN THE CHOKWE DISTRICT. IN THIS INCURSION THEY DESTROYED SEVERAL BRIDGES, FACTORIES AND MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION. THE ENEMY ATTACKED, KILLED AND DESTROYED WITHOUT ANY DISCRIMINATION.

THE AGGRESSION WAS MAINLY CONCENTRATED IN THE PROVINCES OF MANICA, SOFALA AND GAZA. THEIR MAIN TARGETS WERE THE CIVILIAN POPULATION, THE REFUGEE CAMPS, THE PRODUCTION CENTERS, THE MEANS OF COMMUNICATION AND OTHER STRATEGIC ECONOMIC STRUCTURES.

IN THEIR SLAUGHTER AND PLUNDER OPERATIONS, THE RACIST FORCES USED A GREAT NUMBER OF PLANES AND HELICOPTERS TO SPREAD DESTRUCTION AND TERROR. THEY SHOT OLD PEOPLE, THEY CUT OPEN THE WOMBS OF PREGNANT WOMEN, TURNED THE CHILDRENS' GARDENS INTO

CEMETERIES. THEY USE NAPALM AND FRAGMENTATION BOMBS AGAINST OUR HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS.

THUS THE CRIMINAL BAND VIOLATES THE FUNDAMENTAL RULES OF WAR, THEY IGNORE THE MOST ELEMENTARY PRINCIPLES OF HUMAN RIGHTS. THE SMITH/MUZOREWA FORCES ARE SECONDED BY MERCENARIES, THE FAMOUS CRIMINAL "SOLDIERS OF FORTUNE" RECRUITED AMONG CERTAIN WESTERN COUNTRIES. IMPERIALIST INTERESTS ARE DEFENDED BY MERCENARIES. BECAUSE OF THIS, WHEN THE PEOPLE'S JUSTICE SENTENCES THEM TO THE DESERVED PUNISHMENT, THE IMPERIALIST MASS-MEDIA IN A GREAT ECHO ACCUSES US OF DICTATORSHIP AND VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

MR. PRESIDENT,

DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES,

THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS THROUGH ITS RESOLUTION 386 (1976) APPEALED TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO PROVIDE MOZAMBIQUE WITH FINANCIAL, TECHNICAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO ENABLE HER TO IMPLEMENT ITS POLICY OF ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE VIS-A-VIS THE RACIST REGIME OF RHODESIA AND PROVIDE US WITH BETTER CONDITIONS TO COMPLY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS. THE SAME SECURITY COUNCIL THROUGH RESOLUTION 411 (1977) MADE AN APPEAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO REINFORCE OUR DEFENSIVE CAPACITY.

NEVERTHELESS WE FIND THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY DID NOT HONOUR THEIR COMMITMENT.

HOWEVER IT IS IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND WITH THE PEOPLE OF FRONTLINE STATES HAS BEEN SHOWN IN A POSITIVE AND CONSEQUENT WAY ESPECIALLY BY THE SOCIALIST AND NORDIC COUNTRIES. IT HAS BEEN THE SOCIALIST AND THE NORDIC COUNTRIES THAT IN COMPLIANCE WITH

THE DECISIONS OF UNITED NATIONS HAVE RENDERED A CONSIDERABLE SUPPORT TO OUR PROGRAMS FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, NATIONAL DEFENSE AND FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE REFUGEES.

WITH THE SUPPORT OF ALL PEOPLES OF THE WORLD AND MOST OF ALL RELYING ON OUR OWN STRENGTH, THE MOZAMBICAN PEOPLE ARE VERY CONFIDENT IN THE VICTORY. THE MAIN FACTOR OF VICTORY IS THE CONSCIOUS MAN, A MOBILIZED AND ORGANIZED PEOPLE LIKE OURS.

IN MOZAMBIQUE, IN ZIMBABWE, IN SOUTH AFRICA AND NAMIBIA, THE ENEMY IS DOOMED TO DEFEAT.

LET US AT THIS STAGE PAY TRIBUTE TO H.E. DR. KURT WALDHEIM FOR HIS RELENTLESS EFFORTS TO SOLVE ALL THE INTRICATE PROBLEMS FACING MANKIND TODAY. AND PARTICULARLY WE WANT TO THANK HIM FOR HIS ROLE IN THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND IN THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE NEWLY INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES.

MR. PRESIDENT,

SINCE 1947, THE UNITED NATIONS HAS BEEN DISCUSSING THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST. SUCCESSIVELY, SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND DECISIONS WERE ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SECURITY COUNCIL, AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND FORA. HOWEVER, THE PROBLEM IS STILL THERE, WITHOUT ANY SOLUTION ON THE CONTRARY, THE SITUATION "IN LOCO" IS WORSENING DAY BY DAY.

WHY DOES THE PROBLEM OF THE MIDDLE EAST REMAIN UNSOLVED, DESPITE BEING CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MAJOR CONCERNS OF HUMANITY?

FOR US, THE ANSWER IS CLEAR AND SIMPLE. IT IS IMPERIALISM AND ITS ALLY, ZIONISM, WHICH PERSIST IN OPPOSING THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE ARAB PEOPLE OF PALESTINE TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND TO THE CREATION OF THEIR SOVEREIGN STATE AND STILL REMAIN STUBBORN IN THEIR ILLEGAL AND REPRESSIVE

OCCUPATION OF THE ARAB TERRITORIES SEIZED SINCE JUNE 1967.

IMPERIALISM AND ZIONISM DEVELOP MANOEUVERS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO OF DOMINATION AND OPPRESSION AND INTENSIFY THE AGGRESSION AGAINST THE ARAB PEOPLE, INCREASING THE TENSION ALREADY EXISTING IN THE REGION.

UNSATISFIED WITH THE REGRETTABLE SITUATION PREVAILING IN THE MIDDLE EAST, IMPERIALISM PATRONIZES THE CAPITULATION AND TREASON OF EGYPT TO THE CAUSE OF PALESTINIAN AND ARAB PEOPLE, REINFORCES THE AGGRESSIVE MILITARY CAPABILITY OF THE ZIONIST REGIME AGAINST LEBANON AND PALESTINIAN REFUGEES AND ENCOURAGES THE ZIONIST COLONIZATION OF THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES.

A LASTING PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST CAN NOT COADUNATE WITH THE VILE TREASON TO THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE, WHICH IS NOT CONSIDERED "COURAGE"; AND IT CAN NOT SYMPATHIZE WITH THE ZIONIST AGGRESSION AND COLONIZATION OVER ARAB PEOPLES.

A LASTING PEACE IMPLIES THE RESPECT OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN TO SELF-DETERMINATION, NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND CREATION OF THEIR FREE AND SOVEREIGN STATE UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PLO, AND IT ALSO IMPLIES THE UNCONDITIONAL, TOTAL AND COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAEL FROM THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, THE SEPARATE PEACE IS MEANINGLESS WHILE ALL ARAB NATIONS AND PALESTINIAN PEOPLE ARE STILL UNDER ZIONIST BAYONETS. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE DENOUNCES AND CONDEMNS THE SEPARATE ACCORDS BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL AND REITERATES OUR SUPPORT FOR SOLIDARITY WITH THE JUST STRUGGLE OF OF THE PALESTINIANS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PLO AND TO THE ARAB PEOPLES FOR A GLOBAL AND JUST SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF THE MIDDLE EAST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS.

MR. PRESIDENT,

THE SERIOUS PROBLEMS OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIA ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE SO LONG PERIOD OF COLONIAL AND IMPERIALIST DOMINATION IMPOSED ON THE PEOPLES OF INDOCHINA. WE BELIEVE ~~THAT TO FORGET~~ THE PAST IS TO INOULGE IN AN INCORRECT ANALYSIS OF THE RECENT EVENTS OF THE REGION. FOR US, THIS IS NOT A FORTUITOUS STATEMENT, BUT A RESULT OF EXPERIENCE AND PRACTICE OF OUR PEOPLE, RECENTLY LIBERATED FROM THE COLONIAL AND IMPERIALIST DOMINATION.

A MILITARY DEFEAT CREATES A POLITICAL MISFORTUNE AND A CRISIS OF INTERNATIONAL CREDIBILITY. FURTHERMORE WHEN DEALING WITH A MAJOR IMPERIALIST POWER, ITS DEFEAT GENERATES THE DIS-INTEGRATION OF ITS SYSTEM OF DOMINATION. THIS IS THE CORE OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN PROBLEM. IT CONSISTS IN THE ATTEMPT OF IMPERIALISM TO ERASE ITS SHAMEFUL DEFEAT IN INDOCHINA; THIS EXPLAINS THE INCREASED MANOEUVERS, POLITICAL, DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC PRESSURES AND PROPAGANDA AGAINST THE NATIONS OF THIS REGION WHICH ARE FOLLOWING AN INDEPENDENT AND SOCIALIST WAY.

THE CORRECT AND ADEQUATE ANSWER OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THIS SITUATION MUST BE THE INCREASE OF CONCRETE MATERIAL SUPPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS REGION, TO ENABLE THEM TO RECONSTRUCT THEIR COUNTRIES RAVAGED BY THE WAR OF IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION AND TO CREATE A CLIMATE OF GOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD AND STABILITY AMONG THEMSELVES WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR THEIR RAPID PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT.

...IN A PERIOD IN WHICH HUMAN RIGHTS ARE THE THEME OF MOST PUBLIC SPEECHES WE ARE FORCED TO SIT TOGETHER IN THIS CHAMBER WITH THOSE WHO REPRESENT BESTIALITY AND GENOCIDE IN KAMPUCHEA. BUT, WE ARE SURE THE HISTORY WHICH IS MADE BY PEOPLE WILL SOON

RECTIFY THIS SITUATION AND ONCE MORE IT WILL CONDEMN THOSE WHO ARE AGAINST THE TRUE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE. FOR US, AS WELL AS FOR THE PEOPLE OF KAMPUCHEA, THE SITUATION IN THIS COUNTRY IS IRREVERSIBLE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KAMPUCHEA IS THE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE KAMPUCHEAN PEOPLE AND THE ONLY ONE ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CAPACITY IN ALL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND FORA PARTICULARLY IN THE UNITED NATIONS.

STILL IN THE ASIAN REGION, THE PREVAILING SITUATION IN EAST TIMOR IS OF OUR CONCERN. THE COLONIZATION AND REPRESSION IMPOSED ON THE PEOPLE OF EAST TIMOR DOES NOT ALLOW US TO KEEP SILENT, PARTICULARLY WHILE THE MAUBERE FREEDOM FIGHTERS ARE STILL DEVOTED TO THE STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION OF THEIR OCCUPIED COUNTRY NOTWITHSTANDING THE SACRIFICES INVOLVED. VERY RECENTLY, IN THIS SESSION, THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT, THE ADMINISTERING POWER, HAS DECLARED THAT THE PROCESS OF DECOLONIZATION OF EAST TIMOR IS NOT YET ACCOMPLISHED. THE MAUBERE PEOPLE REFUSE THE ANNEXATION AND THE ADMINISTERING POWER DOES NOT ACCEPT THE "FAIT ACCOMPLIS". THAT IS WHY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CAN NOT REMAIN INDIFFERENT TO THE COURAGEOUS AND DIFFICULT STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION LED BY MAUBERE PEOPLE AGAINST THE INDONESIAN COLONIALISM, AND FOR THE REGAINING OF THEIR INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE. THE UNITED NATIONS

SHOULD TAKE THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO FORCE INDONESIA TO WITHDRAW FROM EAST TIMOR AND TO ALLOW THE CONCLUSION OF THE DECOLONIZATION PROCESS.

ONCE AGAIN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE IS COMPELLED TO DENOUNCE AND CONDEMN THE INDONESIAN OCCUPATION AND REPRESSION IN EASTERN TIMOR. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE 6TH SUMMIT OF NON-ALIGNED

COUNTRIES, WE REAFFIRM OUR UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THE JUST STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION OF THE MAUBERE PEOPLE LED UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF FRETELIN.

MR. PRESIDENT,

WE DEMAND THE TOTAL WITHDRAWAL OF THE FOREIGN OCCUPATION FORCES FROM THE SOUTHERN PART OF KOREA AND WE REAFFIRM OUR SOLIDARITY WITH THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA WHO IS DEVOTED TO THE PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF KOREA.

WE EXTEND ALSO OUR SOLIDARITY TO THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS IN THE STRUGGLE FOR THE STRICT RESPECT OF THEIR SOVEREIGNTY, INDEPENDENCE, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, UNITY, AND NON-ALIGNMENT.

MR. PRESIDENT,

WE FEEL ENCOURAGED WITH THE VICTORIES OF THE LATIN AMERICAN PEOPLES OVER THE IMPERIALIST, COLONIALIST, DICTATORIAL, AND FASCIST DOMINATION.

WE SALUTE SAINT LUCIA, A RECENT LIBERATED COUNTRY WHICH WAS UNDER THE COLONIAL DOMINATION AND IS NOW ACCEPTED BY THIS ASSEMBLY AS A FULL MEMBER OF OUR ORGANIZATION. TO SAINT LUCIA, WE OFFER OUR FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION. OUR FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY EQUALLY GOES TO THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA, WHICH LIBERATED HERSELF FROM THE DITATORIAL REGIME. WE SALUTE THEIR COMBATIVE DECISION OF TOTALLY SEVERING THE RELATIONS WHICH EXISTED BETWEEN THEIR COUNTRY AND THE RACIST REGIME OF SOUTHERN AFRICA THUS CONTRIBUTING TO THE VICTORIES OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLES.

WE BRING SPECIAL GREETINGS FROM THE MOZAMBICAN PEOPLE TO THE NICARAGUAN PEOPLE AND THE SANDINIST NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT FOR THEIR HISTORICAL VICTORY OVER THE SOMOZIST DICTATORSHIP AND OLIGARCHY. ARMS IN HANDS, THE NICARAGUAN PEOPLE DESTROYED ONE OF THE MOST OBSOLETE AND HIDEOUS DICTATORSHIPS OF LATIN AMERICA. WE REAFFIRM OUR MILITANT SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE

AND GOVERNMENT OF THE NEW NICARAGUA, IN THEIR EFFORTS FOR NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION, WE APPEAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE TO URGENTLY GRANT THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION THIS COUNTRY DESTROYED BY THE PLUNOER COMMITTED BY SAMOZA AND THE WAR IMPOSED BY HIM TO THE PEOPLE.

THE COMING INTO FORCE OF THE TORRIJOS/CARTER TREATY IS ONE VICTORY OF THE PEOPLE OF PANAMA. WE CONSIDER IT AS AN IMPORTANT STEP TO THE CONQUEST OF THEIR TOTAL SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE PANAMA CANAL. IN PUERTO RICO AND BELIZE, THE COLONIAL SITUATION PREVAILS. GUANTANAMO IS STILL OCCUPIED BY AMERICAN TROOPS. WE REITERATE OUR SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY TO THE JUST STRUGGLE OF THE PEOPLES OF PUERTO RICO AND BELIZE FOR THEIR SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND WE DEMAND THE COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN TROOPS FROM GUANTANAMO WHICH IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF SOCIALIST CUBA.

WE CONDEMN THE RECENT DECISION OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT TO REINFORCE ITS MILITARY PRESENCE IN GUANTANAMO AND THE ENTIRE CARIBBEAN ZONE. THIS MOVE WILL ENDANGER THE SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE COUNTRIES OF THAT REGION.

WE EXPRESS OUR SOLIDARITY WITH THE JUST STRUGGLE OF THE CHILEAN PEOPLE FOR THEIR LIBERTY AND DEMOCRACY AGAINST THE PINOCHET DICTATORSHIP.

WE DENOUNCE AND CONDEMN THE MILITARY AND FACIST REGIMES OF SOUTH AMERICA WHICH MAINTAIN CLOSE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WITH THE RACIST AND MINORITY REGIMES OF PRETORIA AND SALISBURY WHO ARE PLANNING TO CREATE AN AGGRESSION MILITARY PACT IN THE SOUTHERN ATLANTIC

MR. PRESIDENT,

PEACE, STABILITY AND HUMAN PROGRESS ARE INDIVISIBLE.

THE STRUGGLE FOR PEACE GOES THROUGH THE PATH OF TOTAL LIBERATION OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE. IT DEMANDS CONCRETE AND EFFICIENT MEASURES FOR A GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT INCLUDING THE NUCLEAR ONE. THE BASIS FOR AN ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW JUST AND EQUITATIVE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER ARE LIBERTY AND PEACE.

THE RECENT SIGNING OF STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TREATY-SALT II, WHICH WE HOPE WILL SOON BE RACTIFIED BY THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, CONSTITUTES AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION FOR THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF NUCLEAR ARMS RACE. WE SALUTE SUCH AN IMPORTANT TREATY AND WISH THAT IT WILL BE AN ENCOURAGING FACTOR FOR THE PARTIES INVOLVED IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS FOR A GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT PARTICULARLY NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT.

WE FEEL THAT IF THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES COULD AGREE ON LOWERING THE HIGH BUDGETS THAT THEY ARE USING ON THE ARMS RACE AND INSTEAD COULD UTILIZE THE RELEASED AMOUNTS IN BENEFIT OF DEVELOPMENT, ^{THEY} WOULD BE PARTICIPATING EFFECTIVELY IN THE ELIMINATION OF STARVATION AND HUNGER THAT UNDERMINE THE MAJORITY OF MANKIND, THUS CONTRIBUTING TO THE CAUSE OF DISARMAMENT.

THE DISARMAMENT PROCESS IS LONG AND WINDING. IT REQUIRES POLITICAL WILL, MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AND MOST OF ALL THE DETERMINATION TO CREATE A BETTER FUTURE FOR OUR CHILDREN.

IT IS IN THIS SAME DETERMINATION WHICH MAKES US

CONDEMN AND CONDEMN THE SUPPORT WHICH THE IMPERIALIST POWERS GIVE TO THE APARTHEID REGIME FOR MAKING NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THE TECHNOLOGICAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE FOR NUCLEAR PURPOSES GIVEN TO THIS REGIME CAN ONLY AGGRAVATE THE ALREADY EXPLOSIVE SITUATION THROUGH THE SUBSISTENCE OF RACIST REGIMES.

LIKewise, WE CONDEMN THE INCREASING REINFORCEMENT OF IMPERIALIST MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE ISLANDS OF DIEGO GARCIA, REUNIÃO THE OCCUPIED MAYOTE, THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY BASE OF SIMONSTOWN, WE VIVIDLY REPUDIATE THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT DECISION TO DEPLOY HER FIFTH FLEET INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN AS WELL AS THE RECENT DECLARATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO INCREASE HIS COUNTRY'S PRESENCE IN THIS REGION.

FOR US SUCH ACTIONS OF IMPERIALISM CONSTITUTE A SERIOUS AND DIRECT THREAT TO THE SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE COUNTRIES IN THE REGION, ESPECIALLY THE SOUTHERN AFRICA STATES AS WELL AS A SERIOUS THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

THE MATERIALIZATION OF THE DECISIONS CONCERNED WITH THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF ^{the} INDIAN OCEAN INTO ZONE OF PEACE AND FREE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, IT IS A MUST, IF WE WANT TO SEE A GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT AND WORLD PEACE.

IT IS WITH SPECIAL INTEREST THAT WE ADDRESS OURSELVES TO THE PROBLEMS OF PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. MOVED WITH THE SAME SPECIAL INTEREST WE SUPPORT THE CONVENING OF THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DEVOTED TO THE DISARMAMENT AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE MATERIALIZATION OF THE WORLD CONFERENCE FOR DISARMAMENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

MR. PRESIDENT,

THE ENERGY CRISIS CONSTITUTES A FACTOR OF GREAT CONCERN FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

IN THIS CONTEXT, WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO IDENTIFY THE NEW AND RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY SO THAT THEY MAY GIVE AN ANSWER TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DEMANDS AND THOSE OF THE INDUSTRIAL CAPABILITY GROWTH.

THE CONVENING OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, IN 1981, ON NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES HAS TO AIM AT ELABORATING MEASURES CONDUCIVE TO A CONCERTED ACTION THAT MAY PROMOTE THEIR VALUE AND UTILIZATION. SUCH MEASURES HAVE ALSO TO GIVE AN ANSWER TO THE FUTURE NEEDS IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY WITHIN THE EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN TO EXPEDITE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULARLY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

AT THE SAME TIME IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT MEASURES AIMED AT PROMOTING AND ENCOURAGING THE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE EXPLOITATION OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND THE CREATION OF CONDITIONS TO MAKE THEM ACCESSIBLE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THUS THE WHOLE MANKIND WOULD BENEFIT FROM THE OUTCOME OF THIS CONFERENCE.

ON THE OTHER SIDE, WE THINK THAT THE HOLDING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE PEACEFUL UTILIZATION OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (RESOLUTION 32/50 DA A.G.), WILL CONSTITUTE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE PEOPLE'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

MR. PRESIDENT,

CERTAIN INDUSTRIALIZED CAPITALIST COUNTRIES DO STRONGLY PROTEST AGAINST THE RISE OF OIL PRICE, TO THE EXTENT OF TRYING TO PERSUADE US THAT THIS IS THE CAUSE OF THE EVER INCREASING INFLATION AND RECESSION IN THEIR ECONOMIES.

WE REJECT THIS MANOEUVRE OF ACCUSING PRODUCING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH PHENOMENS THAT ARE NO LESS THAN THE PRODUCTS OF CONTRADICTION INHERENT IN THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM.

WE CONSIDER AS LEGITIMATE THE DECISIONS BY THE OIL PRODUCING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES REVIEW THE PRICE OF THIS RAW MATERIAL AS A MEASURE OF DEFENDING AND CONTROLLING THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES.

HOWEVER WE ARE MINDFUL THAT THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE THE MOST AFFECTED BY THE ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES RESULTING FROM THE EVER INCREASING OIL PRICES.

THEREFORE IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO TAKE URGENT AND ADEQUATE MEASURES TO ALLEVIATE THE SITUATION OF THESE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE NOT BY CHANCE ALSO IMPORTERS OF ALL CONSEQUENCES INHERENT TO THE PRESENT CRISIS OF CAPITALIST ECONOMY.

THE MANY PROPOSALS ALREADY LAUNCHED TOWARDS THE FINDING OF THE COMPENSATORY SOLUTIONS TO THIS SITUATION ALLOW US TO FORESEE SURELY POSITIVE RESULTS IN THE NEXT NEGOTIATIONS OF GLOBAL CHARACTER.

IN BETWEEN THIS 34TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION AND THE PREVIOUS ONE, WE THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TRIED TO FIND

NEGOTIABLE SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE PRESENT INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SITUATION THROUGH VARIOUS WAYS. NEVERTHELESS, THIS SITUATION IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE CATASTROPHIC TO THE WHOLE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, BUT WITH GREATER INCIDENCE IN OUR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

IT IS NOT BY ACCIDENT THAT THIS HAPPENS. THERE IS A DELIBERATE PERSISTENCE IN THE WAY SOME CAPITALIST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND ECONOMIC FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS BEHAVE. THESE ACT AS INSTRUMENTS OF DOMINATION, OF ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONES OF INFLUENCE AND OF ECONOMIC DIVISIONS. THEY ARE PURSUING A POLICY OF INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OUR COUNTRIES. THEY IMPOSE MEASURES IN ORDER TO LIMIT OUR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY THUS HAMPERING THE EXERCISE OF THE PEOPLE'S FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO DEVELOP THEMSELVES ACCORDING TO THE ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PATHS CHOSEN BY THEM.

AFRICA IS THE MOST FLAGRANT EXAMPLE SO FAR AS IT REMAINS AS THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED REGION DUE TO BLOCKADES IMPOSED TO ITS DEVELOPMENT, FUNDAMENTALLY BASED ON MANOEUVERS TO PERPETUATE STRUCTURES OF DOMINATION INHERITED FROM COLONIALISM WHOSE CONSEQUENCES HAVE REACHED THE MAXIMUM OF HARM.

MAY YOUR EXCELLENCY ALLOW ME TO MENTION THE PARTICULAR CASE OF MY COUNTRY.

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE IS A DEVELOPING COUNTRY RUINED BY COLONIALISM AND DEVASTATED BY WAR AND WHICH IS AMONG THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY NATURAL DISASTERS.

WE ARE ENGAGED IN OUR NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION AND IN CREATING CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE TO THE BREAKING AWAY FROM

UNDERDEVELOPMENT AND TO THE SETTING UP OF A SOCIETY FREE
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 FROM EXPLOITATION OF MAN BY MAN. THIS RUPTURE WITH UNDER-
 DEVELOPMENT WILL TAKE US TO A COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE WHICH
 COMPRISES THE CONSOLIDATION OF POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND
 THE MATERIALIZATION OF ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE.

IN ITS ATTEMPT TO PERPETUATE STRUCTURES OF DOMINATION
 IN RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA AND TO SPREAD THEM OUT TO THE
 NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES IMPERIALISM ACTS AGAINST OUR EFFORTS
 THROUGH OPEN AGGRESSIONS, ECONOMIC SABOTAGE AND OTHER WAYS
 OF DESTABILIZATION.

NOTWITHSTANDING ALL THESE MANOEUVERS A NUMBER OF
 ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE BEEN achieved BY THE MOZAMBICAN PEOPLE, AS
 A PRODUCT OF THEIR DETERMINATION TO establish A PLANNED ECONOMY.

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE HAD EXPERIENCED SO-
 SOME YEARS OF RICH UNDERTAKINGS THAT CULMINATED IN THE PREPARATION
 OF THE BIENNIAL STATE PLAN 1979/80. THIS PLAN WILL CONSTITUTE
 OUR PROPELLING LEVER TO THE DEVELOPMENT IN THE DECADE,
 OF THE EIGHTIES KNOWN IN OUR COUNTRY AS "THE DECADE OF
 THE LIQUIDATION OF UNDERDEVELOPMENT." THIS PLAN WILL ENABLE
 US TO EMBARK ON A PROCESS OF GENERALIZED RECOVERING OF
 OUR ECONOMY.

THIS STRUGGLE FOR THE GENERALIZED RECOVERING IS NOT
 CIRCUMSCRIBED ONLY WITHIN UNDERTAKINGS OF INTERNAL CHARACTER.
 IT ALSO COMPRISES A SERIES OF INITIATIVES OF A BIGGER DIMENSION.

IN THE FIELD OF THE SUB-REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL
 COOPERATION, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE TOGETHER
 WITH OTHER INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES OF THE REGION ARE TAKING AN
 ACTION WITH THE VIEW TO REDUCING ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

THROUGH STRENGTHENING LINKS WITH THEM WHICH ARE INTENDED TO ACHIEVE MEANINGFUL REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND MOBILIZATION OF RESOURCES FOR THE PROMOTION OF NATIONAL, INTERSTATAL AND REGIONAL POLICIES.

THIS ACTION IS PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF STRATEGIC SECTORS, NAMELY TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY AND TRADE, THE STRUCTURES OF WHICH ARE INADEQUATE AT PRESENT, AS THEY HAVE BEEN INHERITED FROM COLONIALISM. AND CANNOT, FOR THIS REASON, MEET THE NEEDS OF THE PRESENT STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT.

ALLOW ME IN THIS CONNECTION, MR. PRESIDENT, TO QUOTE H.E. PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL, WHO SAID: "THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE, AS A SOCIALIST COUNTRY HAS ALWAYS RAISED VERY HIGH THE FLAG OF PEACE AND COOPERATION AMONG PEOPLES, WHICH IS AT THE SAME TIME THE FLAG OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE JUST STRUGGLE OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLES. WE ARE OPEN TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR SOCIAL SYSTEM."

MR. PRESIDENT,

THE STRUGGLE AGAINST UNDERDEVELOPMENT AND FOR THE RADICAL RESTRUCTURING OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS IS SHARED BY OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH, IN A CONCERTED ACTION IN ARUSHA, HAVE ADOPTED A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OF COLLECTIVE SELF-RELIANCE AND A FRAMEWORK OF NEGOTIATIONS THAT WOULD BE CONDUCIVE TO SUCCESSFUL RESULT OF UNCTAD V.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO STRESS HERE THE POLITICAL GOODWILL DEMONSTRATED BY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH NOTWITHSTANDING

THEIR DIVERSITY OF INTERESTS AND THE DIFFERENT SOCIAL SYSTEMS PREVAILING AMONG THEM, HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ABLE TO SET UP A FRAMEWORK OF UNDERSTANDING IN ALL EFFORTS AIMED AT DEMOCRATIZING THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS.

HOWEVER, WE NOTICE WITH GREAT CONCERN THAT THE DEVELOPED CAPITALIST COUNTRIES ARE USING ALL POSSIBLE DEVICES TO FURTHER DETERIORATE THE ALREADY WEAK INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

THE GROWING PROTECTIONIST MEASURES, THE EVER INCREASING INFLATION AND MONETARY FLUCTUATIONS HAVE LED TO A CONSTANT INSTABILITY OF THE RAW MATERIALS TRADE AND TO ^{the} ABUSIVE ROLE OF IMPERIALIST MONOPOLIES THROUGH TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS. WE UNDERSTAND THIS SITUATION AS A RESULT OF ABSENCE OF POLITICAL GOODWILL OF THE CAPITALIST COUNTRIES IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

THEIR ARROGANCE AND PERSISTENCE, THEIR DELAYING MANOEUVERS AND OTHER DEVICES AIMED AT FRAGMENTING THE GLOBAL MATTERS OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN, THUS AVOIDING FULFILLMENT OF THEIR OBLIGATIONS, HAVE RESULTED IN MEANINGLESS ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE UNCTAD V AND IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL FORA SUCH AS THE PLENARY COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED UNDER RESOLUTION 32/174 OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE NEW INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THEIR PRIVILEGED POSITION, OBTAINED THROUGH EXPLOITATION OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' NATURAL RESOURCES, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ARE NOW INTRODUCING NEW CONCEPTS SUCH AS "ACCESS TO SUPPLIES", "SELECTIVE GRADUTATION", UTILIZATION OF A "GLOBAL STRATEGY TO BASIC

NEEDS", "INTERDEPENDENCE" AND "DIFFERENCIATION," THUS DISTORTING THE GENUINE OBJECTIVE OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION AND EVEN DISTRACTING US FROM THE DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES OF OUR COUNTRIES.

IT IS BY THIS WAY THAT IMPERIALISM EXERCISES ITS PRESENT SUBJUGATION POLICY IN INTERNATIONAL FORA.

MR. PRESIDENT,

WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH THE PRESENT STALEMATE OF ^{THE} THIRD UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO MENTION HERE THE CONSTANT THREATS OF UNILATERAL LEGISLATIVE DECISIONS ON THE SEABED BY THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES, IN AN OPEN CHALLENGE TO THE MORATORIUM DECISION APPROVED BY OUR WORLD ORGANIZATION.

WE RESOLUTELY CONDEMN THESE THREATS AS WELL AS THE MOVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AIMED AT CONCLUDING MINI-CONVENTIONS WITH OTHER STATES OUTSIDE THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS THUS VIOLATING THE PRINCIPLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENSHRINED IN RESOLUTION 2749 (XXV).

WE URGE ALL MEMBER STATES TO DEDICATE ALL THEIR EFFORTS AT ADOPTING, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, A UNIVERSAL CONVENTION IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

MR. PRESIDENT,

NOTWITHSTANDING ALL DIVISIONIST ATTEMPTS BY IMPERIALISM AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, THE SIXTH SUMMIT CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF STATES OR GOVERNMENTS OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES

RECENTLY HELD IN HAVANA, CUBA, HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP IN PROPOSING NEGOTIABLE SOLUTIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AND A SET OF GLOBAL NEGOTIATIONS RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT.

IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE ENDORSEMENT FOR THIS DECISION BY THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE GROUP OF 77 IN THE MEETING HELD LAST MONTH HERE IN NEW YORK.

MY COUNTRY ALSO WELCOMES THE RESULTS ON INSTITUTIONAL AND FINANCIAL ISSUES ACHIEVED AT THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT. WE SINCERELY REGRET THAT THIS CONFERENCE HAS NOT TAKEN DECISIONS OVER THE MAJORITY OF IMPORTANT ISSUES ON THE AGENDA, DUE TO TRADITIONAL INTRANSIGENCE AND LACK OF POLITICAL WILL OF CERTAIN WESTERN COUNTRIES.

MR. PRESIDENT,

IN THE EVE OF THE ADOPTION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE 3rd DECADE AND IN THE PRESENT WORLD POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CONTEXT, WE FEEL IT NECESSARY TO REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO THE OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES ENshrined IN THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER ADOPTED IN THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE STRATEGY FOR THE THIRD DECADE SHOULD BE A COMMON FRAMEWORK THAT MEETS THE DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS BOTH OF THE DEVELOPING AND THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION.

THIS NEW DECADE SHOULD PLAY A CATALIC ROLE IN BRINGING TOGETHER ALL COUNTRIES WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING PRECISE GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES THAT MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO THE ENHACEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ON THE CREATION OF A JUST AND EQUITABLE SOCIETY, IN WHICH EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IS A RIGHT, BOTH FOR THE STATES AND FOR THE PEOPLES.

THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF CHILD IS BEING OBSERVED WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

LET THE GREAT PROJECTS WHICH WERE INITIATED IN THIS CONNECTION DURING THIS YEAR ENLIGHTEN OUR WORKS IN THE NEXT DECADE SO THAT CHILDREN IN ALL SOCIETIES MAY GROW UP HEALTHY, WITH ADEQUATE FOOD, CLOTHING, EDUCATION AND IN AN ENVIRONMENT FULL OF LOVE AND AFFECTION.

LET US APPLY THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL DIRECTIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD AND GO FORWARD TOWARDS THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BETTER WORLD FOR OUR CHILDREN. THE FUTURE OF OUR DEVELOPMENT LIES WITH THEM.

THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD IS COMING TO ITS END. LET US NOW UNITE AND COMMIT OURSELVES TO THE PROTECTION OF THE NEW GENERATIONS FROM THE SCOURAGE OF WARS, STARVATION AND MISERY IN THE FORTHCOMING DECADE " THE DECADE OF STRUGGLE AGAINST UNDERDEVELOPMENT "

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