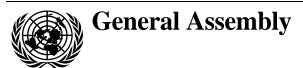
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Letter dated 10 May 2002 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I write to you in my capacity as Chair of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Following your appeal to make this special session on children a memorable occasion, and after consultations with the co-sponsors of the amendment to the draft resolution of the Credentials Committee, we have decided not to insist on a vote on our amendment contained in document A/S-27/L.2.

For the record, we wish to state that this amendment is in line with the Declaration of the Foreign Ministers of the Non-Aligned Movement, who met from 27 to 29 April 2002 in Durban, South Africa. It is based on, and is reflective of, international law and relevant United Nations resolutions.

In light of the above, we intend to raise this matter during the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, beginning 10 September 2002.

We request that the present letter be distributed as a document of the twenty-seventh special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 3.

(Signed) Dumisani S. **Kumalo** Ambassador and Permanent Representative