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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

After consultation with the members of the Council, the President of the Security Council made the following statement, on behalf of the Council, at the 2315th meeting of the Security Council on 15 December 1981, in connexion with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The question of South Africa":

"The Security Council notes that on 4 December 1981, the South African régime proclaimed the Ciskei an integral part of South African territory, a so-called 'independent' State, in pursuance of its <u>apartheid</u> and bantustanization policy.

"The Security Council recalls its resolution 417 (1977), in which it demanded that the racist régime of South Africa should abolish the policy of bantustanization. It also recalls its resolution 402 (1976) and 407 (1977), in which it endorsed General Assembly resolution 31/6 A of 26 October 1976 on this matter. The Council further takes note of General Assembly resolution 32/105 N of 14 December 1977 on the question of bantustans.

"The Security Council does not recognize the so-called 'independent homelands' in South Africa: it condemns the purported proclamation of the 'independence' of the Ciskei and declares it totally invalid. This action by the South African régime, following similar proclamations in the case of the Transkei, Bophuthatswana and Venda, denounced by the international community, is designed to divide and dispossess the African people and establish client States under its domination in order to perpetuate apartheid. It seeks to create a class of foreign people in their own country. It further aggravates the situation in the region and hinders international efforts for just and lasting solutions.

"The Security Council calls upon all Governments to deny any form of recognition to the so-called 'independent' bantustans, to refrain from any dealings with them, to reject travel documents issued by them, and urges Governments of Member States to take effective measures within their constitutional framework to discourage all individuals, corporations and other institutions under their jurisdiction from having any dealings with the so-called 'independent' bantustans."