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CUBA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Taking into account the fact that the Republic of South Africa has formally agreed to accept the implementation of Security Council resolution 435 (1978) as from 1 April 1989, we have the honour, on behalf of our Governments, to inform you that it is the intention of the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba to sign on 22 December 1988 an agreement between the two countries which provides for the redeployment to the north and the withdrawal of the Cuban internationalist troops from the territory of the People's Republic of Angola in accordance with a timetable agreed upon by both countries.

The agreement stipulates that the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba shall request the Secretary-General of the United Nations that verification be made in the field that, once the agreed **time-limits** for their redeployment to the north have expired, there are no Cuban troops south of the agreed lines and that verification be made, at the ports and airports selected, of the embarkation of the troops and also of the entry of the necessary relief personnel until the withdrawal of the Cuban internationalist troops from **Angolan** territory.

In accordance with this, we have the honour to request you to take the necessary steps to recommend to the Security Council that a United Nations **military** observer group be set up in order to carry out this mandate, in conformity with the agreements which the representatives of our two countries have reached with the Secretariat.

We request that this letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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