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RESPONSE TO GOLDSTONE REPORT

We have noted the third Goldstone Commission report which repeat earlier findings that the ANC and the Inkatha Freedom Party[IFP] are primarily responsible for the violence.

We do not agree that the ANC and IFP are primarily responsible for the violence. The Security forces of the regime are primarily the cause of the violence and the ANC and the IFP are the secondary causes.

The ANC remains the common denominator in all township violence. The attack on two chiefs in the Ciskei with handgrenades and A.K.47's are in line with ANC tradition and we blame the ANC for the attacks. The reason the ANC attacked the Chiefs are to intimidate all Chiefs to toe their line and also to intimidate ANC members which are resigning in large numbers in the area.

International involvement to end the violence should increase but they should act independently of all parties implicated in the violence including the South African Security forces. Since Justice Goldstone is a functionary of the regime the international community should also work independently of him.

All investigations including that of the international jurists, Amnesty International, and all three reports of Justice Goldstone, have not implicated the PAC in violence and intimidation.

The PAC is the only genuine custodian of democracy and the only organisation which can be relied upon to usher in a non-racial democratic order in the country.

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H.E. DR. SALIM AHMED SALIM, OAU SECRETARY GENERAL DESPATCHES AN OAU OBSERVER TEAM TO OBSERVE THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS IN GHANA

Following the invitation of the Government of Ghana, the OAU Secretary General, H.E. Dr. Salim ahmed Salim sent an OAU team to observe the Parliamentary Elections in Ghana which were held on December 29, 1992.

The team consisted of the following members; H.E. Ambassador H.P. Asheeke of Namibia, H.E. Ambassador J.B. Tumwa of Kenya, H.E. Ambassador Diarra Aguibo of Mali and Mr. I.C. Mponzi of The Secretariat

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COMMENTS BY FOREIGN MINISTER RF BOTHA ON THE ADOPTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION ON SOUTH AFRICA

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr RF Botha, said today that the Omnibus resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 1992, at last reflected the realities of the South African situation. The resolution was broadly in line with the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations calling upon all parties to combat violence and to cooperate, he said.

Responding to media enquiries, he commented further:

The South African Government welcomes the call upon all signatories of the National Peace Accord to recommit themselves to the process of peaceful change by fully and effectively implementing its provisions and by cooperating with each other to that end. In the resolution, it is noted that recognition is also given to recent agreements aimed at removing obstacles to resuming negotiations as well as acknowledging with satisfaction the release of political prisoners. In particular the Safeguards Agreement between the International Atomic Energy Agency and South Africa of 16 September 1991, is welcomed.

The resolution contains a few references to outdated practices. The main thrust however acknowledges that apartheid is gone and that a new era awaits South Africa and urges all parties to play a constructive role in bringing about peace, stability, and progress. This development is welcomed.

The South African Government commends the Secretary-General for his comprehensive and active efforts to facilitate the peace process in South Africa."

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