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### ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE UNITED NATIONS

#### Special report of the Security Council

1. In a letter dated 22 April 1976 addressed to the Secretary-General, the President of the People's Republic of Angola submitted the application of the People's Republic of Angola for membership in the United Nations (S/12064).
2. At its 1931st meeting, on 22 June 1976, the Security Council included the question in its agenda without objection. The President, in the absence of a proposal to the contrary, referred the application to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for consideration and report, in accordance with rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure.
3. The Committee on the Admission of New Members met on 23 June and, as it was unable to make a unanimous recommendation to the Security Council, it approved a report (S/12109) reflecting the attitudes of delegations towards the application.
4. At its 1932nd meeting, on 23 June, the Security Council considered the report of the Committee on the Admission of New Members. The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Bulgaria, Cuba, the German Democratic Republic, India, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mongolia, Portugal and Yugoslavia, at their requests, to participate in the discussion of the question without the right to vote, pursuant to Article 31 of the Charter of the United Nations.
5. At the same meeting, the Council agreed, pursuant to a request made in a letter dated 23 June 1976 from the representatives of Benin, the Libyan Arab Republic and the United Republic of Tanzania (S/12111), to invite the representative of the People's Republic of Angola to present the point of view of his Government on the question inscribed on the agenda.

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6. In the course of the discussion, the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania introduced a draft resolution (S/12110) sponsored by Benin, Guyana, the Libyan Arab Republic, Romania, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United Republic of Tanzania, whereby the Security Council would recommend to the General Assembly the admission of the People's Republic of Angola to membership in the United Nations.

7. At the 1932nd meeting, the Security Council proceeded to vote on the six-Power draft resolution (S/12110). It received 13 votes in favour and 1 against, with no abstentions; one member (China) did not participate in the vote. The draft resolution was, therefore, not adopted owing to the negative vote of a permanent member. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Benin, France, Guyana, Italy, Japan, the Libyan Arab Republic, Pakistan, Panama, Romania, Sweden, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United Republic of Tanzania.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: None.

8. As the Security Council therefore does not recommend the applicant State for membership, it decided at the same meeting to submit this special report to the General Assembly, in accordance with the third paragraph of rule 60 of its provisional rules of procedure, and to transmit therewith the verbatim records of its 1931st and 1932nd meetings which contain a complete record of the discussion (S/PV.1931-1932).

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