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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 2168th meeting of the Security Council on 21 September 1979, in connexion with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The question of South Africa":

"The Security Council notes that on 13 September 1979 the South African régime proclaimed Venda, an integral part of South African territory, a so-called 'independent' state, in pursuance of its apartheid and bantustanization policy.

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

"The Security Council condemns the proclamation of the so-called 'independence' of Venda and declares it totally invalid. This action by the South African régime, following similar proclamations of Transkei and Bophuthatswana, 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 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 Member Governments to take effective measures to prohibit all individuals, corporations and other institutions under their jurisdiction from having any dealings with the so-called 'independent' bantustans."
