

At its 2631st meeting, on 6 December 1985, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Angola, Burundi and South Africa to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "Complaint by Angola against South Africa: report of the Security Council Commission of Investigation established under resolution 571 (1985) (S/17648)".⁷⁸

Resolution 577 (1985)

of 6 December 1985

The Security Council,

Having examined the report of the Security Council Commission of Investigation established under resolution 571 (1985),⁷⁹

Having considered the statement of the Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Angola to the United Nations,⁸⁰

Gravely concerned at the numerous hostile and unprovoked acts of aggression committed by the racist régime of South Africa violating the sovereignty, airspace and territorial integrity of the People's Republic of Angola,

Grieved at the tragic loss of human life and concerned about the damage to and destruction of property resulting from repeated acts of aggression committed by the South African racist régime,

Convinced that these wanton acts of aggression by the minority racist régime in South Africa form a consistent and sustained pattern of violations aimed at destroying the economic infrastructure of the People's Republic of Angola and weakening its support of the struggle of the people of Namibia for freedom and national liberation.

Recalling its resolutions 571 (1985) and 574 (1985) by which it, *inter alia*, strongly condemned South Africa's armed invasion perpetrated against the People's Republic of Angola and demanded that South Africa should scrupulously respect the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Angola,

Reaffirming that the pursuance of these acts of aggression against Angola constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

Conscious of the need to take immediate and effective steps for the prevention and removal of all threats to international peace and security,

1. *Endorses* the report of the Security Council Commission of Investigation established under resolution 571 (1985) and expresses its appreciation to the members of the Commission;

2. *Strongly condemns* the racist South African régime for its continued, intensified and unprovoked acts of aggression against the People's Republic of Angola, which constitute a flagrant violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Angola;

3. *Strongly condemns* South Africa's utilization of the international Territory of Namibia as a springboard for armed invasions and destabilization of the People's Republic of Angola;

4. *Demands once again* that South Africa cease immediately all acts of aggression against the People's Republic of Angola and unconditionally withdraw forthwith all forces occupying Angolan territory as well as scrupulously respect the sovereignty, airspace, territorial integrity and independence of Angola;

5. *Commends* the People's Republic of Angola for its steadfast support for the people of Namibia in their just and legitimate struggle against the illegal occupation of their territory by South Africa and for the enjoyment of their inalienable rights to self-determination and national independence;

6. *Requests* Member States urgently to extend all necessary assistance to the People's Republic of Angola, in order to strengthen its defence capacity;

7. *Demands* that South Africa pay full and adequate compensation to the People's Republic of Angola for the damage to life and property resulting from the acts of aggression;

8. *Requests* Member States and international organizations urgently to extend material and other forms of assistance to the People's Republic of Angola in order to facilitate the immediate reconstruction of its economic infrastructure;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to monitor developments in this situation and report to the Security Council as necessary, but no later than 30 June 1986, on the implementation of the present resolution and, in particular, of paragraphs 7 and 8 thereof;

10. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.

Adopted unanimously at the 2631st meeting, following a separate vote on operative paragraph 6.

⁷⁸ See *Official Records of the Security Council, Fortieth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1985*.

⁷⁹ *Ibid.*, document S/17648.

⁸⁰ *Ibid.*, *Fortieth Year*, 2631st meeting.