

Message D/G to Aldana

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TO : THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
NEW YORK

FROM : D W AURET  
CAPE TOWN

13 April 1989

1. Refer to message from Aldrich yesterday regarding Cuban protest over AG statement concerning "interrogation".
2. Please pass following personal message to Senor Aldana from N P van Heerden via your Cuban contact:

Quote

I have received your message regarding the statement by the AG regarding the "interrogation of SWAPO". In this connection I would draw your attention to the contents of a press statement by Foreign Minister R F Botha today in which he deals with this matter. You will note that he makes it clear that there is no question of SWAPO being interrogated.

You will also note that the South African Government will not object to an extension of the period during which SWAPO will have freedom of passage to present themselves to the assembly points until such time as SWAPO indicates to the Special Representative that all its forces have been removed from Namibian territory. We presume that this will occur within a reasonable period of time.

As you know the Mount Etjo Declaration calls upon SWAPO to inform the Special Representative by 15 April 1989

about the conclusion of the removal of its forces from the territory of Namibia. Today is 13 April 1989, and although South Africa has activated the border assembly points together with UNTAG, no forces of the PRA have yet arrived to man these points together with RSA forces and UNTAG as required by Article 4 of the Annexure to the Mount Etjo Agreement. Moreover, we have not had any indication from Angola of movement of SWAPO to bases north of latitude 16°S as is envisaged in Article 8 of the Annexure to the Mount Etjo Agreement. I should be grateful if you could use your influence with the Government of Angola to facilitate their cooperation in the execution of the Agreement.

Highest consideration.

N P VAN HEERDEN

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