American Model United Nations
Historical Security Council – 1973

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: The Situation in Southern Rhodesia

SUBMITTED TO: The Historical Security Council – 1973

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Recalling resolutions 221 (1966) of 9 April 1966, 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968, 314 (1972) of 28 February 1972 and 318 (1972) of 28 July 1972 which requires all Member States to implement the sanctions approved by the Security Council to the fullest extent of their ability, and asks all states to make the effective changes in order to abide fully by the political, economic, and other sanctions authorized by the Security Council against the illegal Regime of Southern Rhodesia,

Further recalling Article 1 of the United Nations Charter, outlining the most fundamental freedom of a people’s right to self-determination, and consequently our unequivocal and complete condemnation of the regime in Southern Rhodesia as an illegitimate, racist minority-rule,

Emphasizing the pressing need of all member states to acknowledge and fulfill the terms of the economic sanctions placed on the rogue state of Southern Rhodesia,

Deeply disturbed by the perpetuation of apartheid regimes and the continual denial of majority rule in African nations,

Deeply concerned by the actions of several states to continue acting in violation of the aforementioned resolutions, and Article 25 of the United Nations Charter, undermining the authority and effectiveness of the Security Council and the United Nations to ensure the achievement of international peace and security,

1. Demands that all Member States comply fully with Resolution 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966;

2. Calls upon all Member States to immediately desist in the trade and other exchange of goods with the illegitimate regime of Southern Rhodesia, including but not limited to the cessation of the exchange of weapons and other arms in the region and the importation of any Southern Rhodesian products;

3. Requests that the government of Zambia uphold its obligation to resolve disputes in a manner in accordance with the United Nations Charter as outlined in Article 2, Section 3;

4. Encourages all Member States to send direct aid to assist the Zambian people, so that the people of Zambia are supported financially to withstand the international sanctions on their largest economic partner;

5. Supports the continued use of peaceful negotiations between members of all parties involved, including the Zimbabwe African National Union and illegitimate Rhodesian government;

6. Condemns the governments of South Africa and Portugal, among other nations, for their continued trade with the illegitimate state of Southern Rhodesia, in spite of Security Council sanctions, not only violating the United Nations Charter, but impeding the development of democratic and self-determined governance;

7. Requests the Security Council Committee, established in Resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968 to report to the Council on the implementation status of the current resolution in three months time, and to suggest to the Council the appropriate steps it should take in order to improve the effectiveness of sanctions against the illegal regime of Southern Rhodesia;

8. Decides to remain seized of the matter.

Passed, Yes: 12 / No: 0 / Abstain: 3