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- LUANDA TELNO 353: ANGOLA/SOUTH AFRICA - SECURITY COUNCIL
1. WE SENT BY FACSIMILE TO FULLER (CAFD) TODAY DOS SANTOS'S LETTER TO WALDHEIM. IT DOES NOT ASK IN TERMS FOR A MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. BUT THERE IS A GROWING FEELING HERE, EXPRESSED TO US MOST RECENTLY TODAY BY MASHINGAIDZE (ZIMBABWE, CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE AFRICAN GROUP), THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS FIDDLING WHILE ROME BURNS. (THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAS BEEN MEETING IN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE WHOLE AND IN GROUPS ABOUT THE WORDING OF AN APPEAL TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN STATE PRESIDENT ABOUT THE DEATH SENTENCES IMPOSED ON 19 AUGUST ON THREE ANC MEMBERS. THESE MEETINGS HAVE SO FAR BEEN INCONCLUSIVE AND EXASPERATING FOR ALL.)
  2. THE ANGOLAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE (FIGUEIREDO) IS REPORTED TO BE RETURNING TO NEW YORK TONIGHT (26 AUGUST) AND TOMORROW WALDHEIM IS RETURNING EARLY FROM EUROPE. MANY OF THE MAIN AFRICAN ACTORS WILL BE HERE NEXT WEEK FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION.

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