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OF GERMANY, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES,
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The Foreign Ministers of Canada, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States met in Luxembourg on May 17, 1982, to pursue their efforts to achieve an early settlement of the problems of Namibia in accordance with Security Council Resolution 435.

The Ministers noted the replies received from the parties concerned to the Five's proposal for constitutional principles for the Namibian Constituent Assembly. In the light of these replies, Ministers instructed their officials to accelerate the resolution of outstanding issues with a view to maintaining their target of beginning implementation of UNSCR 435 during 1982. They expect soon to present proposals to the parties concerned, notably on impartiality and UNTAG.

They stressed the need for positive and flexible responses to these proposals when they are presented, in order to achieve early implementation of UNSCR 435.

The Ministers agreed to keep under review additional negotiating mechanisms which might prove useful as matters develop.