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SOUTH AFRICAN INCURSIONS INTO ANGOLA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mark MacGuigan, announced today that the Government had expressed its profound concern to the South African Ambassador in Ottawa concerning the recent South African incursions into Angola.

The South African Ambassador was informed that the Government deeply deplores the escalation of violence which can only serve to heighten tensions in the area and put in serious jeopardy the negotiations for Namibia's independence for which the Western Contact Group, including Canada, has been striving. The Government hopes that the Republic of South Africa will terminate its incursions into Angola and avoid any further escalation of the conflict.