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### **Agreement Between the Government of the Republic of Cuba and the Government of the People's Republic of Angola for the Conclusions of the Internationalist Mission of the Cuban Military Contingent**

The Government of the Republic of Cuba and the Government of the People's Republic of Angola, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties",

Considering

That on 1 April the implementation of United Nations Security Council resolution 435 (1978) on the independence of Namibia will commence,

That the question of the independence of Namibia and the safeguarding of the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of the People's Republic of Angola are closely interlinked and closely linked to peace and security in the southwestern region of Africa,

That, on the same date as the present Agreement, a tripartite agreement between the Government of the Republic of Cuba, the Government of the People's Republic of Angola and the Government of the Republic of South Africa, containing the essential elements for the achievement of peace in the southwestern region of Africa, is to be signed,

That, with the acceptance of and strict compliance with the aforementioned, the causes that gave rise to the request made by the Government of the People's Republic of Angola, in legitimate exercise of its right under Article 51 of the United Nations Charter, for the dispatch to Angolan territory of a Cuban internationalist military contingent to ensure, together with FAPLA, its territorial integrity and its sovereignty in the face of the invasion and occupation of a part of its territory,

Taking into account

The agreements signed between the Governments of the Republic of Cuba and the People's Republic of Angola on 4 February 1982 and 19 March 1984, the platform of the Government of the People's Republic of Angola approved in November 1984 and the Brazzaville Protocol signed by the Governments of the Republic of Cuba, the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of South Africa on 13 December 1988,

Now therefore hold it to be established

That the conditions have been created which permit the commencement of the return to its homeland of the Cuban military contingent now present in Angolan territory, which has successfully fulfilled its internationalist mission,

And accordingly agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1

The redeployment to the fifteenth and thirteenth parallels and the phased and total withdrawal to Cuba of the 50,000-man contingent of Cuban troops dispatched to the People's Republic of Angola shall commence, in accordance with the pace and time-limits established in the annexed timetable, which shall form an integral part of this Agreement. The total withdrawal shall be concluded on 1 July 1991.

#### ARTICLE 2

The Governments of the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba reserve the right to modify or alter their obligations arising out of article 1 of this Agreement in the event that flagrant violations of the tripartite agreement are verified.

#### ARTICLE 3

Both Parties, through the Secretary-General of the United Nations, request the Security Council to carry out verification of the redeployment and the phased and total withdrawal of the Cuban troops from the territory of the People's Republic of Angola, and to that end the corresponding protocol shall be agreed upon.

#### ARTICLE 4

This Agreement shall enter into force upon the signature of the tripartite agreement between the Governments of the Republic of Cuba, the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of South Africa.

DONE on 22 December 1988 at United Nations Headquarters, in duplicate in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the  
Republic of Cuba

For the Government of the People's  
Republic of Angola

(Signed) Isidoro MALMIERCA PEOLI

(Signed) Afonso VAN DUNEM (MBINDA)

Timetable Annexed to the  
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Military Contingent

In compliance with article 1 of the Agreement between the Governments of the Republic of Cuba and the People's Republic of Angola on the conclusion of the internationalist mission of the Cuban military contingent now present in Angolan territory, both Parties establish the following timetable for withdrawal:

**Time-Limits:**

By 1 April 1989 (day of the commencement of the implementation of resolution 435 (1978))	3,000 troops
Total duration of the timetable starting from 1 April 1989	27 months
<b>Redeployment northwards:</b> To the 15th parallel	1 August 1989
<b>Redeployment northwards:</b> To the 13th parallel	31 October 1989
<b>Total troops to be withdrawn:</b> By 1 November 1989	25,000 (50 percent)
<b>Total troops to be withdrawn:</b> By 1 April 1990	33,000 (66 percent)
<b>Total troops to be withdrawn:</b> By 1 October 1990	38,000 (76 percent)
<b>Total troops to be withdrawn:</b> By 1 July 1991	50,000 (100 percent)
Taking as a basis a Cuban force of 50,000 troops.	

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