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### General Comments - Government Responses

#### CERD A/9018 (1973)

##### Annex IV

Texts of comments of States parties to general recommendation III, adopted by the Committee at its sixth session, received up to the end of the eighth session, in accordance with article 9, paragraph 2, of the Convention a/

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The Government of Cyprus, in compliance with relevant resolutions of the United Nations, many of which Cyprus had the honour to sponsor, does not maintain, and never did, any diplomatic, consular, trade or any other kind of relations with the Government of South Africa, much less with the illegal regime of Ian Smith, which of course the Government of Cyprus never recognized.

The Government of Cyprus is on record for having supported, morally and materially, within and outside the United Nations, the movement against apartheid and the struggles of the peoples of southern Africa who are struggling for their independence and self-determination.

The Government of Cyprus has made annual contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa and offered scholarships for young people of the Trust Territories.

From the aforementioned, it becomes clear that the Government of Cyprus, not only condemns the policies of racism and apartheid in southern Africa, but has also supported and supports the struggle for the elimination of racism and apartheid.

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a/ See chap. VI, paras. 317 to 322 above; for the text of general recommendation III see decision 1 (VI), chap. IX, sect. B, of the report of the Committee to the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly, Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 18 (A/8718).

#### CERD A/37/18 (1982)

Annex IV

Comments of States parties on General Recommendation VI adopted by the Committee at its 569th meeting, on 15 March 1982 a/

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[22 July 1982]

1. ... The Government of the Republic of Cyprus agrees fully with the content of the decision of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination adopted on 15 March 1982 during its twenty-fifth session.

2. The situation described in the preamble of the aforesaid decision in terms of numbers of reports overdue is indeed alarming. No doubt the Committee does a very useful job and should in any way be assisted in exercising more effectively its work, the authority of the United General Assembly could and should be used in this direction.

3. In this respect it might be noted that the Government of the Republic of Cyprus has fully complied with its obligations under article 9, paragraph 1, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

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a/ See chap. IV, part A. para. 45, above [concluding observations, CERD A/37/18].