In the course of the working session of 21st July 1974, with executive members of MPLA, members of the Act [acted?] Revolt and the Eastern Revolt, a disagreeable incident occurred in Lilanda, provoked by comrades KATUVA, KHAMALATA, CHAPATA, KELEMA and GUERRA, all members of the Eastern Revolt.

This group of comrades made a number of threats against a group of comrades living in the MPLA houses in Lilanda.

Comrades KATUVA and KHAMALATA, in particular, made the following threats: "You are holding up the work. You sent ERDO [read?] there to hold up the work. If you continue like this, I swear by my Mother, that this very day there will be bloodshed."

The MPLA comrades replied: "The people holding up the work are yourselves, and if you are thinking of attacking us, remember what happened when you attacked our camp outside Lusaka."

The delegation from the Executive of MPLA, considering such behaviour as serious and contrary to the climate and spirit of the meetings of the Congress Preparatory Committee, requested the necessary clearing of this situation so that it could continue its work.

In the exchange of opinions amongst the three groups present the comrades of the Act [acted?] Revolt underlined the seriousness of the incident and criticised the attitude of the comrades of the Eastern Revolt, the latter group considering these threats as a slight joke of no importance.

The delegation of the Executive of MPLA, considering this "joke" to be in very bad taste requested the presence of those who provoked the incident so as to demonstrate the seriousness of their act.

In the presence of all an account of the incident was prepared. After the repetition, by the provokers that the incident was no more than a "joke", because of the feelings of the MPLA Executive delegation and a call made by comrade CHISUNGA that the error should be recognised, comrade KHAMALATA, in the name of the group, made an apology for said "joke", which was accepted by the MPLA Executive delegation.

Delegation of the Executive of MPLA

Lusaka, 24th July 1974.