

**UNIAO NACIONAL PARA INDEPENDENCIA TOTAL DE ANGOLA**  
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**Statement on the Humanitarian Situation in Angola**

1. The grave humanitarian situation that the Angolan people are experiencing as a result of the long conflict has engendered the sensitivity and solidarity of the international community.
2. The international community, through various humanitarian organizations, is deeply involved in Angola to minimize the shortages, above all in food and medicine, affecting the people.
3. For UNITA, the most useful assistance is that which will permit us to do without it tomorrow and raises us to the level of partners in the framework of cooperation with mutual advantages to our respective peoples.
4. While the present situation prevails, the UNITA leadership recognizes the great value of the contributions of humanitarian organizations in solving the material needs of the Angolan people and encourages them to continue on this noble road. They can count on total collaboration by the UNITA General Secretariate.
5. All of the UNITA political, military and administrative authorities, and its militants, in areas under its control, have been directed to provide full cooperation and facilities to humanitarian organizations, with strict respect for the physical integrity of their staffs and property, in order to best carry out their activities. We are aware that they are in Angola to help the Angolan people at this difficult phase of their history.

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