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South Africans and others voted 14-1 in favor of releasing frozen assets at the UNSC. Susan's statement below:

Statement by Ambassador Susan E. Rice, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, on the Release of Assets by the UN Security Council's Libya Sanctions Committee, August 25, 2011

The United States welcomes the decision by the UN Security Council's Libya Sanctions Committee to release \$1.5 billion dollars in Libyan assets to meet the critical humanitarian needs of the Libyan people. Today's action demonstrates the international community's solidarity with the brave people of Libya at this historic moment.

The unprecedented international coalition built upon UN Security Council Resolutions 1970 and 1973 prevented mass atrocities in eastern Libya, averted large scale killings of unarmed civilians, and avoided a catastrophic humanitarian crisis. Yet this is not the end of Libya's transition. It is the beginning. The United States will continue to work with our international partners to support the Libyan people as they chart a democratic, prosperous, and secure future for their country.