



## Strategic Minerals: Extent of U.S. Reliance on South Africa: Nsiad-88-201

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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Pursuant to a congressional request, GAO provided information regarding U.S. dependence on South African strategic minerals. GAO found that: (1) the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of 1986 prohibited U.S. imports of 10 strategic minerals from South Africa, unless there were no other reliable and secure suppliers and the minerals were essential for the U.S. economy or defense; (2) each of those 10 strategic minerals had some direct or indirect military application; (3) in 1987, the United States significantly depended on imports to supply the minerals; and (4) South Africa is a major world producer and contains a very large reserve of several of the strategic minerals. GAO also found that: (1) the United States increased imports of some strategic minerals from South Africa and decreased others between 1983 and 1987; (2) South Africa is the sole supplier to the United States of one of the strategic minerals; (3) alternative supply sources exist for all but two of the minerals; and (4) the cumulative direct economic cost of a U.S. embargo on South Africa for six of the minerals would...



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