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ASSISTANCE FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF NICARAGUA

Report of the Second Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 21 September 1979, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, included in its agenda the item entitled "Assistance for the reconstruction of Nicaragua" and allocated it to the Second Committee.
2. The Second Committee considered this item during its general debate at its 3rd to 18th meetings, from 1 to 15 October and at its 19th meeting, on 16 October. An account of the discussion of the Committee is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/34/SR.3-19).
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
 - (a) Letter dated 4 September 1979 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/34/241);
 - (b) Report of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America on its twelfth special session (E/CEPAL/G/1093).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.2/34/L.5

4. At the 13th meeting, on 10 October 1979, the representative of Costa Rica on behalf of Argentina, the Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Lucia, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela introduced

a draft resolution (A/C.2/34/L.5) entitled "International assistance for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Nicaragua". Subsequently, Chad, the Comoros, the Congo, Cyprus, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Jordan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Mozambique, Spain, the Syrian Arab Republic, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania and Yemen joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

5. At the 19th meeting, on 16 October, the Committee adopted the draft resolution (see para. 7 below).

6. Following the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Nicaragua, Finland (also in behalf of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden) and Australia.

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

7. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

International assistance for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and
development of Nicaragua

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report on the twelfth special session of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA), 1/

Deeply concerned at the grave economic situation of Nicaragua and the serious deterioration in the living conditions of the Nicaraguan people,

1. Endorses the resolution adopted by the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America;

2. Urges the Governments of Member States and the international organizations to supply with the utmost urgency the assistance provided for in that resolution for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Nicaragua;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly informed during the next two years concerning the results that derive from the implementation of the present resolution.
