

5. *Further calls the attention* of the international community to the special problems confronting Vanuatu as an island developing country with a small but rapidly growing and unevenly distributed population, a severe shortage of development capital and declining budgetary support from present donors;

6. *Invites* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to maintain and expand their current and future programmes of assistance to Vanuatu, to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance and to report periodically to him on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to help that country;

7. *Also invites* the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization, the World Health Organization, the World Bank, the International Telecommunication Union, the World Meteorological Organization, the International Maritime Organization and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the special needs of Vanuatu and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 July 1986;

8. *Decides* to include Vanuatu in the list of the least developed countries;

9. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in the light of the above decision and the desire of the Government of Vanuatu to organize a round-table conference of donors, to give all the necessary assistance to Vanuatu for the preparation and organization of that conference;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Vanuatu;

(b) To keep the situation in Vanuatu under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and the international financial institutions concerned, and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1986, of the current status of the special programme of economic assistance for Vanuatu;

(c) To report on the progress made in the economic situation in Vanuatu and in organizing international assistance for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its forty-first session.

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#### **40/234. Assistance to Nicaragua**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 34/8 of 25 October 1979, 35/84 of 5 December 1980, 36/213 of 17 December 1981, 37/157 of 17 December 1982, 38/223 of 20 December 1983

and 39/204 of 17 December 1984 concerning assistance for the reconstruction of Nicaragua,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Nicaragua,<sup>172</sup>

*Noting with satisfaction* the support that Member States, the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system have given to the efforts of the Government of Nicaragua for the reconstruction of the country,

*Bearing in mind* that, in recent years, the Nicaraguan economy has been adversely affected by various events and natural disasters, such as drought, the intense rains and floods of 1982 and a sequence of natural disasters in June, July, October and November 1985,

*Considering* that, despite the efforts of the Government and people of Nicaragua, the economic situation has not returned to normal and continues to worsen,

*Deeply concerned* that Nicaragua is experiencing serious economic difficulties directly affecting its development efforts,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his efforts regarding assistance to Nicaragua;

2. *Expresses its appreciation also* to the States and organizations that have provided assistance to Nicaragua;

3. *Urges* all Governments to continue contributing to the reconstruction and development of Nicaragua;

4. *Invites* the organizations of the United Nations system to continue and to increase their assistance in this endeavour;

5. *Recommends* that Nicaragua should continue to receive treatment appropriate to the special needs of the country until the economic situation returns to normal;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-first session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### **40/235. Special economic assistance to Guinea**

*The General Assembly*

*Recalling* its resolution 39/202 of 17 December 1984, in which it appealed to the international community to contribute generously, through bilateral and multilateral channels, to the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of Guinea,

*Noting* that the persistence of unfavourable climatic conditions in the northern part of the country has led to enormous losses in crop and livestock production,

*Deeply concerned* by the fact that Guinea continues to suffer serious economic and financial difficulties arising from a marked balance-of-payments deficit, onerous external debt charges and the massive return of formerly exiled persons,

*Taking into consideration* the objectives of Guinea's Interim Programme of National Rehabilitation for the period 1985-1987, whose implementation continues to be hampered by the lack of necessary resources,

*Noting with satisfaction* the considerable efforts made by the Government and people of Guinea to ensure the country's reconstruction, rehabilitation and development, despite existing constraints,

*Noting* that the Government of Guinea, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and other

<sup>172</sup> A/40/436.

international agencies concerned, is preparing a conference of donors for Guinea, which will be organized as soon as possible,

*Considering* that Guinea is one of the least developed countries,

*Noting* the statement made by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation of the Republic of Guinea on 4 October 1985,<sup>173</sup> in which he described his country's economic problems,

*Having considered* the summary report of the Secretary-General,<sup>174</sup>

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his report and for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance to Guinea;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States and organizations that have provided assistance to that country;

3. *Again appeals* to the international community, including the specialized agencies and other United Nations bodies and organizations, to contribute generously, through bilateral or multilateral channels, to Guinea's economic and social development;

4. *Invites* all States and relevant organizations of the United Nations system to provide the Government of Guinea with all possible assistance with a view to meeting the population's critical humanitarian needs and to furnish it, as appropriate, with food, medicaments and essential hospital and school equipment;

5. *Also invites* the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to intensify and expand their assistance programmes in order to meet the needs of Guinea;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue and intensify his efforts to mobilize all possible assistance within the framework of the United Nations system in order to assist the Government of Guinea in its rehabilitation and development efforts;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session

of 1986, and to the General Assembly, at its forty-first session, on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### **40/236. Special programmes of economic assistance**

*The General Assembly,*

*Reaffirming* the need for the international community to respond to the needs of countries facing special economic problems,

*Recognizing* that, owing to their diverse nature, those problems require special and prompt responses,

*Recognizing also* the need for an adequate response by the international community to the specific measures identified in the special programmes of economic assistance, as well as the need for enhanced co-ordination within the United Nations system in that regard,

*Taking into account* the views expressed in the Second Committee on the rationalization of the work of the Committee,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-first session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1986, on ways and means of enhancing efficiency and effectiveness in the implementation of decisions taken by intergovernmental bodies regarding the special programmes of economic assistance, including the mobilization of the resources necessary for the implementation of those programmes, taking into account available information provided by Governments and the related activities undertaken by the bodies of the United Nations system;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to include in his report recommendations regarding the consideration of special programmes of economic assistance in the appropriate intergovernmental bodies.

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<sup>173</sup> See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Plenary Meetings, 23rd meeting.

<sup>174</sup> A/40/441, sect. IX.