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PALESTINE: QUESTION OF AN INTERNATIONAL REGIME FOR THE
JERUSALEM AREA AND THE PROTECTION OF THE HOLY PLACES

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly at
its 275th plenary meeting on 9 December 1949

(adopted on the report of the Ad Hoc Political Committee (A/1222))

The General Assembly,

Having regard to its resolutions 181 (II) of 29 November 1947
and 194 (III) of 11 December 1948,

Having studied the reports of the United Nations Conciliation
Commission for Palestine set up under the latter resolution,

I. Decides

In relation to Jerusalem,

Believing that the principles underlying its previous resolutions
concerning this matter, and in particular its resolution of
29 November 1947, represent a just and equitable settlement of the
question,

1. To restate, therefore, its intention that Jerusalem should
be placed under a permanent international regime, which should
envisage appropriate guarantees for the protection of the
Holy Places, both within and outside Jerusalem and to confirm
specifically the following provisions of General Assembly
resolution 181 (II)* (1) The City of Jerusalem shall be
established as a corpus separatum under a special international
regime and shall be administered by the United Nations; (2) The
Trusteeship Council shall be designated to discharge the
responsibilities of the Administering Authority...; and (3) The
City of Jerusalem shall include the present municipality of
Jerusalem plus the surrounding villages and towns, the most

* See document A/519, Page 146.

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eastern of which shall be Abu Dis; the most southern, Bethlehem; the most western, Ein Karim (including also the built-up area of Motsa); and the most northern, Shu'fat, as indicated on the attached sketch-map (annex B);*

2. To request for this purpose that the Trusteeship Council at its next session, whether special or regular, complete the preparation of the Statute of Jerusalem (T/118/Rev.2), omitting the now inapplicable provisions, such as articles 32 and 39, and, without prejudice to the fundamental principles of the international regime for Jerusalem set forth in General Assembly resolution 181 (II) introducing therein amendments in the direction of its greater democratization, approve the Statute, and proceed immediately with its implementation. The Trusteeship Council shall not allow any actions taken by any interested Government or Governments to divert it from adopting and implementing the Statute of Jerusalem;

II. Calls upon the States concerned, to make formal undertakings, at an early date and in the light of their obligations as Members of the United Nations, that they will approach these matters with good will, and be guided by the terms of the present resolution.

* The sketch-map will be annexed to the present resolution in the printed volume of General Assembly resolutions.