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COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE WHOLE QUESTION OF PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS IN ALL THEIR ASPECTS*

Report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations

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1. By resolution 2220 (XXI) of 19 December 1966, the General Assembly decided to refer the report of the Special Political Committee on the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects" to the Assembly's fifth special session. It also requested the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to continue the review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations and to report to the General Assembly at its fifth special session.
2. The Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations and its two Working Groups held a total of fifteen meetings between 16 February and 16 May 1967. On 16 May, the Special Committee adopted its report to the General Assembly at its fifth special session (A/6654).
3. At its 1521st plenary meeting on 23 May, the General Assembly, at the conclusion of the debate on the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects", adopted resolution 2249 (S-V) which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having examined the fourth report of the Special Committee on
Peace-keeping Operations, 1/

* Item 37 of the provisional agenda.

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"Recalling the consensus set forth in the report of the Special Committee of 31 August 1965 ^{2/} adopted by the General Assembly at its 1331st plenary meeting on 1 September 1965 and its resolution 2053 (XX) of 15 December 1965,

"Acknowledging the commitments undertaken and the assurances given during the recent session of the Special Committee,

"1. Renews its appeal to all Member States, and in particular to the highly developed countries, to make voluntary contributions to overcome the continuing financial difficulties of the Organization;

"2. Requests the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to continue the review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all its aspects and to study the various suggestions made by different delegations during the Special Committee's recent session, in particular those relating to:

(a) Methods of financing future peace-keeping operations in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations;

(b) Facilities, services and personnel which Member States might voluntarily provide, in accordance with the Charter, for United Nations peace-keeping operations;

"3. Requests the Special Committee to report on the progress of its work to the General Assembly at its twenty-second session."

4. By letter dated 26 May (A/AC.121/9), the Secretary-General transmitted the text of the above resolution, as well as the report of the Special Political Committee at the twenty-first session (A/6637) to the Chairman of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations.

5. Owing to the preoccupation of the entire membership of the Organization with certain international developments, the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations was unable to undertake the task entrusted to it by the General Assembly. In the circumstances, the Special Committee is of the view that it should continue to carry out its mandate.

^{2/} See Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Annexes, annex No. 21, document A/5916.