Co-operation between the United Nations and 34/21. the Organization of African Unity

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity,13

Recalling its previous resolutions on the promotion of co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity and the practical measures taken for their implementation, in particular resolution 33/27 of 1 December 1978,

Taking note of the relevant resolutions, decisions and declarations adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its sixteenth ordinary session, as well as the resolutions adopted by its Council of Ministers at its thirtythird ordinary session, held at Monrovia from 6 to 20 July 1979,14

Considering the important statement made by the current Chairman of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity before the General Assembly, on 26 September 1979, 15 particularly on matters of concern to the two organizations,

Noting with satisfaction the continued co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in areas of common interest,

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme in implementing paragraph 13 of resolution 33/27,

Aware of the need for special economic assistance programmes for a number of African States facing serious economic problems resulting from natural or other disasters to enable them to consolidate their national independence and pursue effective economic development,

Aware of the special needs of the newly independent African States, particularly with regard to the consolidation of their national independence, their endeavours towards social and economic betterment and the adverse impact on their economies of the current international economic situation,

Gravely concerned about the adverse effect on African economies of the current international economic situation,

Gravely concerned also about the serious problem of refugees in Africa,

Taking note in this connexion of the resolution on the Monrovia Strategy for Economic Development in Africa adopted by the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its thirty-third ordinary session, 16

Gravely concerned further at the deteriorating situation in southern Africa arising from the continued domination of the peoples of the area by the minority racist régimes and conscious of the need to provide increased assistance to the peoples of the region and to their liberation movements in their struggle against colonialism, racial discrimination and apartheid,

Aware of its responsibilities to provide economic, material and humanitarian assistance to independent States in southern Africa to help them to cope with the situation caused by the acts of aggression committed

against their territories by the apartheid régime in South Africa and the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia,

Recognizing the importance of taking effective steps to give the widest possible dissemination of information relating to the liberation struggle of the peoples of southern Africa,

Recognizing the need for continuous liaison, exchange of information at the secretariat level and technical cooperation on such matters as training and research between the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity and commends his efforts in strengthening such co-operation;
- 2. Notes with appreciation the increasing participation of the Organization of African Unity in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and its constructive contribution to that work;
- 3. Commends the continued efforts of the Organization of African Unity to promote multilateral cooperation among African States and to find solutions to African problems of vital importance to the international community and notes with satisfaction the increased collaboration of various United Nations agencies in support of those efforts;
- 4. Reaffirms the determination of the United Nations, in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to intensify its efforts to eliminate colonialism, racial discrimination and apartheid in southern Africa;
- 5. Recognizes the importance of continued close association by the United Nations and the specialized agencies, where appropriate, with the efforts of the Organization of African Unity to promote social and economic development and to advance intra-African co-operation in this vital field;
- 6. Reaffirms the determination of the United Nations to work closely with the Organization of African Unity towards the establishment of the new international economic order in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly;
- Recommends the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy to take full account in its work of the Monrovia Strategy for Economic Development in Africa and to ensure that it shall be duly reflected in the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade, to be adopted at the special session of the General Assembly in 1980;
- 8. Reiterates its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his efforts, on behalf of the international community, to organize and mobilize special economic assistance programmes for African States experiencing grave economic difficulties, in particular for newly independent African States and the front-line States, to help them to cope with the situation caused by the acts of aggression committed against their territories by the apartheid régime in South Africa and by the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia;
- Calls upon all Member States, regional and international organizations and organizations within the United Nations system to participate actively in the implementation of those special economic assistance programmes;
- 10. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Organization of African Unity informed periodically of the response of the international community to those

¹⁸ A/34/482

¹⁴ See A/34/552, annexes I and II.
15 Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth
Session, Plenary Meetings, 10th meeting, paras. 2-63.
16 A/34/552, annex I, resolution CM/Res.722 (XXXIII).

programmes and to co-ordinate efforts with all similar programmes initiated by the Organization of African Unity;

- 11. Requests the Secretary-General and the organizations within the United Nations system to ensure that adequate facilities continue to be made available for the provision of technical assistance to the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity as required;
- 12. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to take the necessary measures to strengthen co-operation at the political, economic, cultural and administrative levels between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, particularly with regard to the provision of assistance to the victims of colonialism and apartheid in southern Africa, and in this connexion draws once again the attention of the international community to the need to contribute to the Assistance Fund for the Struggle against Colonialism and Apartheid established by the Organization of African Unity;
- 13. Calls upon the organizations within the United Nations system to come promptly to the aid of African States affected by natural or other disasters by mobilizing special economic assistance programmes;
- 14. Further calls upon all Member States and regional and international organizations, in particular the specialized agencies, to increase their aid to refugees in Africa;
- 15. Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, to arrange for a meeting to be held in Africa, before the thirty-fifth session of the General Assembly, between representatives of the Organization of African Unity and the organizations within the United Nations system to study means of effective implementation of programmes of mutual concern, including assistance to liberation movements;
- 16. Calls upon United Nations bodies, in particular the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council, the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, the Special Committee against Apartheid and the United Nations Council for Namibia, to continue to associate closely the Organization of African Unity with all their work concerning Africa;
- 17. Reiterates its invitation to the specialized agencies and other organizations concerned within the United Nations system to continue and expand their co-operation with the Organization of African Unity and, through it, their assistance to the liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity;
- 18. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution and on the development of co-operation between the Organization of African Unity and the organizations concerned within the United Nations system.

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34/22. The situation in Kampuchea

The General Assembly,

Noting with great concern that the armed conflict in Kampuchea has escalated and is seriously threatening the peace and stability of South-East Asia,

Deeply regretting the armed intervention by outside forces in the internal affairs of Kampuchea,

Gravely alarmed that the present conflict may spill over to neighbouring countries and increase the danger of further involvement by outside Powers,

Deeply distressed by the widespread hardship and deprivation and the large-scale famine being suffered by the people of Kampuchea.

Seriously disturbed that these developments have resulted in a continuing large exodus of people from Kampuchea to neighbouring countries, thereby causing them severe problems,

Noting with deep appreciation the roles played by the United Nations and other national and international humanitarian organizations in rendering relief assistance to the civilian population of Kampuchea, and the initiative of the Secretary-General in convening the Pledging Conference for Emergency Humanitarian Relief to the People of Kampuchea, held on 5 November 1979, as well as the pledges made by the various countries at that Conference.¹⁷

Convinced that a political solution which will ensure the sovereignty and independence of Kampuchea is essential for bringing about durable peace and stability in the region.

Reaffirming the right of all peoples to determine their own future free from outside interference,

Emphasizing that all States shall refrain, in their international relations, from the threat or use of force against the sovereignty, territorial integrity or independence of any State, and strictly adhere to the principles of peaceful settlement of disputes and non-interference in the internal affairs of other States,

- 1. Strongly appeals to all States and national and international humanitarian organizations to render, on an urgent and non-discriminatory basis, humanitarian relief to the civilian population of Kampuchea, including those who have sought refuge in neighbouring countries;
- Calls upon all States to take urgent measures to resettle from those countries the displaced Kampucheans;
- 3. Welcomes the continuing efforts of the Secretary-General to co-ordinate relief assistance and to ensure its distribution to those for whom it is intended;
- 4. Urges all parties to the conflict to co-operate in every possible way to facilitate the humanitarian relief efforts;
- 5. Calls upon all parties to the conflict to observe fully the fundamental principles of human rights;
- 6. Further calls upon all parties to the conflict to cease all hostilities forthwith;
- 7. Calls for the immediate withdrawal of all foreign forces from Kampuchea and calls upon all States to refrain from all acts or threats of aggression and all forms of interference in the internal affairs of States in South-East Asia;
- 8. Urges all parties to the conflict to settle their disputes by peaceful means in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations;
- 9. Appeals to all States to refrain from any interference in the internal affairs of Kampuchea in order to enable its people to decide their own future and destiny free from outside interference, subversion or coercion, and to respect scrupulously the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence of Kampuchea;
- 10. Resolves that the people of Kampuchea should be enabled to choose democratically their own govern-

¹⁷ See SG/CONF.1/SR.1 and 2.