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SPECIAL PROGRAMMES OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee,
Mr. Oscar R. de Rojas (Venezuela), on the basis of informal
consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/41/L.8

Special economic assistance programmes

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of the special economic assistance programmes, 1/

Affirming the validity of the concept of special economic assistance programmes and the need to enhance their efficiency,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General;
2. Endorses the recommendation made by the Secretary-General that special economic assistance programmes should be limited to countries genuinely in need of such assistance and to special circumstances falling outside the competence of the regular programmes of the United Nations system; 2/
3. Also endorses the recommendation that the special economic assistance programme for a country should be of limited duration and should terminate after the review mission and, where the special circumstances that gave rise to the special economic assistance programme remain, any continuing assistance should then be channelled through the regular programmes of the systems; 2/

1/ A/41/308-E/1986/67.

2/ Ibid., sect. III.B.

4. Recommends that efforts to transfer the implementation of the special economic assistance programmes to other United Nations bodies should be continued, if practicable;

5. Affirms that special economic assistance programmes should be drawn up in consultation with the recipient Governments concerned and recommends that the programmes should, as far as possible, be established and reviewed through the field offices of the United Nations system.
