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POLITICAL, MILITARY, ECONOMIC AND OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE  
GIVEN TO COLONIAL AND RACIST RÉGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

Report of the Third Committee

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## I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 2353rd plenary meeting, on 19 September 1975, the General Assembly allocated to the Third Committee agenda item 78, entitled "Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa".
2. The Committee considered this item at its 2140th meeting, on 24 October 1975. The summary record of this meeting (A/C.3/SR.2140) contains the views of representatives of Member States.
3. The Committee had before it a note by the Secretary-General on the item (A/10262).
4. The Director of the Division of Human Rights introduced the item at the Committee's 2140th meeting.

## II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/L.2163

5. The representative of Ghana introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/L.2163), sponsored by Egypt, Ghana, Mali, the United Republic of Cameroon, the United Republic of Tanzania and the Upper Volta, later joined by the Libyan Arab Republic, the Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo and Uganda. The draft resolution as orally revised, read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having considered the item entitled "Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa",

"Mindful of its responsibility to offer the oppressed peoples under the colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa every assistance in their struggle for self-determination and for the enjoyment of their fundamental human rights,

"Aware that in pursuance of Economic and Social Council resolution 1864 (LVI) the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities has appointed a Special Rapporteur to evaluate urgently the importance and the sources of political, military, economic and other assistance given by certain States to the racist and colonial régimes of southern Africa, as well as the direct or indirect effects of such assistance on the perpetuation of colonialism, racial discrimination and apartheid,

"1. Considers that organizations and States which give assistance to the racist and colonial régimes in southern Africa are accomplices of those régimes in respect of their inhuman policies of racial discrimination, apartheid and colonialism;

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"2. Requests the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Ahmed M. Khalifa, every possible assistance he may need in the completion of his report to be presented to the twenty-ninth session of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

"3. Decides to consider this item at its thirty-first session as a matter of high priority and, in this regard, requests the Secretary-General to submit the final report of the Special Rapporteur to the Assembly at that session."

6. At the same meeting, in the light of oral amendments put forward by India, the sponsors further revised operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution to read as follows:

"3. Decides to consider this item at its thirty-first session as a matter of high priority and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to submit the final report of the Special Rapporteur, along with the recommendations of the Sub-Commission, before the Assembly at that session."

7. Also at the same meeting, the revised draft resolution as amended was adopted by 94 votes to none, with 13 abstentions (see para. 8 below).

### III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

8. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa",

Mindful of its responsibility to offer the oppressed peoples under the colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa every assistance in their struggle for self-determination and for the enjoyment of their fundamental human rights,

Aware that, in pursuance of Economic and Social Council resolution 1864 (LVI) of 17 May 1974, the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities appointed a Special Rapporteur to evaluate urgently the importance and the sources of political, military, economic

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and other assistance given by certain States to the racist and colonial régimes of southern Africa, as well as the direct or indirect effects of such assistance on the perpetuation of colonialism, racial discrimination and apartheid,

1. Considers that organizations and States which give assistance to the racist and colonial régimes in southern Africa are accomplices of those régimes in respect of their inhuman policies of racial discrimination, apartheid and colonialism;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Ahmed M. Khalifa, every possible assistance he may need for the completion of his report, which is to be presented to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at its twenty-ninth session;

3. Decides to consider this item at its thirty-first session as a matter of high priority and, in this regard, requests the Secretary-General to submit the final report of the Special Rapporteur, along with the recommendations of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, to the General Assembly at that session.

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