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Algeria, Bahrain, Brazil, Chile, Djibouti, Egypt, France,
Italy, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Spain,
Tunisia and Yemen: draft resolution

Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 45/225 of 21 December 1990 and its previous resolutions on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 1991/61 of 26 July 1991 and other relevant resolutions and decisions previously adopted by the Council,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General ^{1/} and of the statement made before the Second Committee of the General Assembly on 31 October 1991 by the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services in his capacity as coordinator of system-wide assistance to Lebanon, ^{2/}

Acknowledging the efforts of the international community, and in particular those of the Arab Tripartite Committee on Lebanon and of Mr. Bettino Craxi in his capacity as special adviser to the Secretary-General, towards the reconstruction and development of Lebanon,

^{1/} A/46/557.

^{2/} See A/C.2/46/SR.26.

Noting with deep concern the grave economic situation in Lebanon caused by the tragic events of the last sixteen years, and in particular the severe destruction of its infrastructure and the near collapse of basic services,

Reaffirming the urgent need to initiate international action to assist the Government of Lebanon in rebuilding the country and restoring its human and technical capacities,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his report and for his efforts to mobilize assistance to Lebanon;

2. Commends the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services for his coordination of system-wide assistance to Lebanon;

3. Calls upon Member States and international and regional organizations to provide financial and technical assistance to Lebanon and to give it priority in their reconstruction assistance programmes, whenever possible;

4. Calls upon all organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to expand their assistance in response to the pressing needs of Lebanon and to take the steps necessary to ensure that their offices in Beirut are adequately staffed at the senior level;

5. Invites the Secretary-General:

(a) To intensify his efforts to mobilize all possible assistance to Lebanon;

(b) To consider favourably the nomination of a resident representative in Beirut to coordinate all United Nations programmes of assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon;

(c) To report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.
