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United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its earlier resolutions on the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa, in particular resolution 45/176 H of December 1990,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa, 1/ to which is annexed the report of the Committee of Trustees of the Trust Fund,

Taking note of resolution 45/176 A adopted without a vote by the General Assembly on 19 December 1990, and in particular of its paragraph 16 relating to the reintegration of released political prisoners into South African society,

Welcoming the repeal and revision of the major apartheid and security laws and a number of discriminatory and repressive laws, rules and regulations,

Welcoming also the release of a large number of political prisoners; and the agreement reached between the South African authorities and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees allowing for the voluntary repatriation of political exiles and refugees,

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Further welcoming the "National Peace Accord" signed on 14 September 1991 as a significant initiative towards addressing the critical issue of violence in the country and providing a framework within which substantive and broad-based discussions can take place,

Remaining concerned by the continued existence of a number of discriminatory and repressive laws, rules and regulations in South Africa,

Further concerned at the delay in the full implementation of agreements regarding the release of any remaining political prisoners and the return of refugees and exiles; and at reports that trials of politically motivated cases were carried out in 1991,

Recognizing the work carried out by the International Defense and Aid Fund over the years in providing legal and humanitarian assistance to the victims of apartheid and their families and noting with satisfaction the transfer of Fund's programmes to broad-based, impartial organizations inside South Africa,

Strongly convinced that continued, direct and substantial contributions to the Trust Fund and to the voluntary agencies concerned are necessary to enable them to meet the extensive needs for humanitarian, legal and relief assistance during the critical transition to a non-racial and democratic South Africa,

1. Endorses the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa;
2. Supports continued and substantial humanitarian, legal and educational assistance by the international community in order to alleviate the plight of those prosecuted under discriminatory legislation in South Africa and their families, and to facilitate the reintegration of released political prisoners and returning exiles into South African society;
3. Supports assistance by the Trust Fund for work in the legal field aimed at ensuring effective implementation of legislation repealing major apartheid laws; redressing continuing adverse effects of these laws and encouraging increased confidence in the rule of law;
4. Expresses its appreciation to the Governments, organizations and individuals that have contributed to the Trust Fund and to the voluntary agencies engaged in rendering humanitarian and legal assistance to the victims of apartheid in South Africa;
5. Appeals for generous contributions to the Trust Fund;
6. Also appeals for direct contributions to the voluntary agencies engaged in rendering assistance to the victims of apartheid and racial discrimination in South Africa;

7. Commends the Secretary-General and the Committee of Trustees of the Trust Fund for their persistent efforts to promote humanitarian and legal assistance to persons persecuted under repressive and discriminatory legislation in South Africa, as well as assistance to their families and to refugees from South Africa.

