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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3034 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 31/102 of
15 December 1976, 32/147 of 16 December 1977, 34/145 of 17 December 1979, 36/109 of
10 December 1981 and 38/130 of 19 December 1983,

Reaffirming the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on International
Terrorism contained in its report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth
session, 1/

Recalling also its resolution 40/61 of 9 December 1985,

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session,
Supplement No. 37 (A/34/37).

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Reaffirming also the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, 2/ the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security, 3/ the Definition of Aggression, 4/ and relevant instruments on international humanitarian law applicable in armed conflict,

Further recalling the existing international conventions relating to various aspects of the problem of international terrorism, inter alia, the Convention on Offences and Certain Other Acts Committed on Board Aircraft, signed at Tokyo on 14 September 1963, 5/ the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft, signed at The Hague on 16 December 1970, 6/ the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation, signed at Montreal on 23 September 1971, 7/ the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents, concluded at New York on 14 December 1973 8/ and the International Convention against the Taking of Hostages, adopted at New York on 17 December 1979, 9/

Deploping the continuation of all terrorist acts, in particular those committed, directed, financed or otherwise instigated or supported by States, involving political assassinations, destabilization of duly constituted Governments, the activities of mercenaries, the taking of hostages, the hijacking of aircraft, bomb attacks and other criminal terrorist actions which take a toll of innocent human lives and jeopardize the normal functioning of international relations,

Deeply disturbed by the world-wide escalation of these acts of international terrorism, which pose a threat to international peace and security and to friendly relations among States,

Convinced of the importance of expanding and improving international co-operation among States, on a bilateral, regional and multilateral basis, to eliminate the underlying causes of international terrorism which will contribute to the prevention and elimination of this criminal scourge,

2/ Resolution 2625 (XXV), annex.

3/ Resolution 2734 (XXV).

4/ Resolution 3314 (XXIX), annex.

5/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 704, No. 10106, p. 219.

6/ Ibid., vol. 860, No. 12325, p. 106.

7/ United States Treaties and Other International Agreements, vol. 24, part one (1973), p. 268.

8/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 1035, No. 15410, p. 167.

9/ Resolution 34/146, annex.

Reaffirming the principle of self-determination of peoples as enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming also the inalienable right to self-determination and independence of all peoples under colonial and racist régimes, foreign occupation and other forms of alien domination and upholding the legitimacy of their struggle, in particular the struggle of national liberation movements, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter and of the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

Urging all States to take effective measures in accordance with established principles of international law, in order that all acts, methods and practices of international terrorism may be brought to an end,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General, 10/

1. Unequivocally condemns, as criminal, all acts, methods and practices of terrorism wherever and by whomever committed, including those which jeopardize friendly relations among States and their security;
2. Deeply deplores the loss of innocent human lives which results from such acts of terrorism;
3. Also deplores the pernicious impact of acts of international terrorism on relations of co-operation among States, including co-operation for development;
4. Calls upon all States to fulfil their obligations under international law to refrain from organizing, instigating, assisting or participating in terrorist acts in other States, or acquiescing in activities within their territory directed towards the commission of such acts;
5. Appeals to all States that have not yet done so to consider becoming part to the existing international conventions relating to various aspects of international terrorism;
6. Invites all States to take all appropriate measures at the national level with a view to the speedy and final elimination of international terrorism, such as the harmonization of domestic legislation with the existing international conventions, the fulfilment of assumed international obligations and the prevention of the preparation and organization in their respective territories of acts of terrorism, including subversive acts and acts of mercenarism directed against other States and their citizens;
7. Urges all States, unilaterally and in co-operation with other States, as well as relevant United Nations organs, to contribute to the progressive

10/ A/42/519 and Corr.1 and A/42/519/Add.1.

elimination of the causes underlying international terrorism and to pay special attention to all situations, including, colonialism, racism and situations involving mass and flagrant violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms and those involving alien domination and foreign occupation, that may give rise to international terrorism and may endanger international peace and security, with a view to the application, where feasible and necessary, of the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, including Chapter VII thereof;

8. Takes note of the efforts undertaken by the International Civil Aviation Organization aimed at promoting universal acceptance of and strict compliance with international air-security conventions, and welcomes its ongoing work on a new instrument for the suppression of unlawful acts of violence at airports serving international civil aviation;

9. Also takes note of the work undertaken by the International Maritime Organization on the problem of terrorism aboard or against ships, and welcomes the initiative under way to draft instruments on the suppression of unlawful acts against the safety of maritime navigation and of fixed platforms on the continental shelf;

10. Requests the other relevant specialized agencies and intergovernmental organizations, within their respective competences, to consider what further measures can usefully be taken to combat and eliminate terrorism;

11. Requests the Secretary-General to follow up, as appropriate, the implementation of the present resolution and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session;

12. Further requests the Secretary-General to prepare a topical summary concerning the problem of international terrorism based on the views expressed in the debate in the Sixth Committee during the forty-second session of the General Assembly as early as possible and to seek the views of Member States on international terrorism in all its aspects and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session;

13. Reaffirms that nothing in the present resolution could in any way prejudice the right to self-determination, freedom and independence as derived from the Charter of peoples forcibly deprived of that right and referred to in the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, particularly peoples under colonial and racist régimes and foreign occupation or other forms of colonial domination, nor the right of these people to struggle to this end and to seek and receive support in accordance with the principles of the Charter and in conformity with the above-mentioned Declaration;

14. Decides to include the item in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session.