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Assistance to Chad

Report of the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 34/120 of 14 December 1979, the General Assembly expressed deep concern about the "massive destruction of property and the serious damage to the economic and social infrastructure of Chad caused by the progressive deterioration of the political situation marked by armed conflict during the past thirteen years". It stressed the "urgent need for international action to assist the Government of Chad in its efforts for the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of the country".
2. The General Assembly, in the resolution, requested the Secretary-General to organize an international programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Chad to enable it to meet its needs with respect to reconstruction, rehabilitation and development, to dispatch a mission to Chad to review with the Government the aid which it required in this regard, and to report to the Assembly at its thirty-fifth session on the implementation of the provisions of the resolution.
3. The text of resolution 34/120 has been brought to the attention of all Member States as well as to concerned specialized agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, regional and interregional organizations and international financial institutions.
4. Unfortunately, there has been no improvement in the political situation in Chad since the adoption of the resolution. Large numbers of the population have been rendered homeless and over 300,000 have been forced to seek asylum in neighbouring countries, notably the United Republic of Cameroon. Until such time as the security situation improves, it will not be possible for a United Nations mission to visit the country to discuss with the Chadian authorities the country's reconstruction, rehabilitation and development needs. The Secretary-General will continue to be in close contact with the situation, and will ensure that every effort is made to mobilize international assistance as soon as hostilities cease.