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SPECIAL ECONOMIC, HUMANITARIAN AND DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE: SPECIAL PROGRAMMES OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Algeria*, Argentina, Bahrain*, Benin, Chile, China, Egypt*, France, Greece*, Guinea, Iraq*, Italy, Japan, Jordan*, Kuwait, Lebanon*, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Oman*, Qatar*, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia*, Spain, Sudan*, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia*, Turkey, United Arab Emirates* and Yeman*: draft resolution

Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 47/155 of 18 December 1992 on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon, as well as previous resolutions adopted by the Economic and Social Council, in which the specialized agencies and other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system were called upon to expand and intensify their programmes of assistance in response to the urgent needs of Lebanon,

Aware of the deteriorating economic and social conditions of Lebanon and the magnitude of the country's needs, subsequent to the serious destruction of the infrastructure which adversely affected the social conditions and the efforts to rebuild and develop the country,

^{*} In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

Noting with great concern the high rate of inflation in Lebanon during the past few years, and its still pervasive negative consequences, and the serious erosion of the value of the country's currency,

Reaffirming the great need for a regional and international initiative to assist the Government of Lebanon in the reconstruction of the country and the recovery of its human and economic potential,

Expressing its appreciation for the efforts of the Secretary-General in
mobilizing assistance for Lebanon,

- 1. Appeals to all Member States and all organizations of the United Nations system to intensify their efforts to mobilize all possible assistance for the Government of Lebanon in its reconstruction and development efforts, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council;
- 2. <u>Requests</u> all organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to intensify their assistance in response to the urgent needs of Lebanon and to take the necessary measures to assign an adequate number of employees to their offices in Beirut, as soon as possible;
- 3. <u>Invites</u> the Secretary-General to inform the Council at its substantive session of 1994 of the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.
