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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE TO ALLEVIATE  
THE CONSEQUENCES OF WAR IN CROATIA AND TO FACILITATE  
ITS RECOVERY

Report of the Second Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 24 September 1993, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "International cooperation and assistance to alleviate the consequences of war in Croatia and to facilitate its recovery" and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 33rd to 35th, 40th and 45th meetings, on 16 to 18 and 24 November and 6 December. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/48/SR.33-35, 40 and 45). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 8th meetings, on 8 and 11 to 13 October (see A/C.2/48/SR.3-8).

3. For the consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation and assistance to alleviate the consequences of the war in Croatia and to facilitate its recovery (A/48/534);

(b) Letter dated 18 June 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/48/215);

(c) Letter dated 9 September 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Grenada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting

the communiqué of the 19th meeting of the Standing Committee of the Ministers responsible for Foreign Affairs of the Caribbean Community (A/48/401);

(d) Letter dated 8 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/48/490-S/26565).

4. At the 33rd meeting, on 16 November, the Director of the Division for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States of the United Nations Development Programme made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/48/SR.33).

## II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.2/48/L.26

5. At the 40th meeting, on 24 November, the representative of Croatia introduced a draft resolution entitled "International cooperation and assistance to alleviate the consequences of war in Croatia and to facilitate its recovery" (A/C.2/48/L.26) on behalf of Albania, Argentina, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Costa Rica, Croatia, the Czech Republic, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Hungary, Israel, Latvia, Mexico, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine.

6. At the 45th meeting, on 6 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ryszard Rysinski (Poland), made a statement in which he informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft resolution.

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/48/L.26 without a vote (see para. 8).

## III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

8. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

International cooperation and assistance to alleviate  
the consequences of war in Croatia and to facilitate  
its recovery

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 47/166 of 18 December 1992,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, 1/ which summarized the international community's humanitarian effort in Croatia within

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1/ A/48/534.

United Nations consolidated inter-agency appeals and reviewed the role of the international community in the reconstruction of Croatia,

Taking note of the letter dated 18 June 1993 from the Prime Minister of Croatia addressed to the Secretary-General, 2/

Noting the continuous efforts of the Government of Croatia to solve the problems of the post-war reconstruction of the national infrastructure and, at the same time, to solve the existing problem of refugees, displaced persons and victims of war within Croatia,

Recognizing the importance of the United Nations overall humanitarian effort in Croatia, in particular its involvement in specific actions aimed at transforming humanitarian relief into longer-term development projects,

1. Reaffirms its appeal to all States, regional organizations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other relevant bodies to provide cooperation in various forms and special and other assistance, in particular in the most severely affected areas and with a view to facilitating the return of refugees and internally displaced persons to those areas;

2. Requests the Secretary-General, taking into account the circumstances in the region, to carry out, in cooperation with the Government of Croatia, an assessment of needs for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Croatia, and to introduce, if appropriate, an international appeal for the funding of a programme for rehabilitation, reconstruction and development;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session a comprehensive report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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