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INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE ECONOMIC REHABILITATION
OF ANGOLA

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 assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola" and to allocate it to the Second Committee.
2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 33rd to 35th, 41st and 45th meetings, on 16 to 18 and 26 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, 41 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 assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola (A/48/473);
 - (b) Letter dated 28 October 1993 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General transmitting the communiqué adopted at the Meeting of the Heads of Government of the Countries of the Commonwealth, held at Limassol, Cyprus, from 21 to 25 October 1993 (A/48/564).
4. At the 33rd meeting, on 16 November, the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/48/SR.33).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.2/48/L.36

5. At the 41st meeting, on 26 November, the representative of Brazil introduced a draft resolution entitled "International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola" (A/C.2/48/L.36), on behalf of Algeria (on behalf of the African States), Antigua and Barbuda, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Cambodia, China, Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Portugal and Spain, subsequently joined by Guyana, Italy, Suriname and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

6. At the 45th meeting, on 6 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ryszard Rysinski (Poland), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft resolution and orally revised operative paragraph 3 by replacing the words "Member States" with the words "all States".

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/48/L.36, as orally revised, without a vote (see para. 9).

8. After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of Greece and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (see A/C.2/47/SR.45).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

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

International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 47/164 of 18 December 1992, 46/142 of 17 December 1991, 45/233 of 21 December 1990 and 44/168 of 15 December 1989 on international assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola,

Recalling also that the Security Council in its resolutions 347 (1976) of 31 March 1976, 475 (1980) of 27 June 1980, 628 (1989) of 16 January 1989 and other resolutions on international assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola had, inter alia, especially requested the international community to render assistance to Angola,

Deeply concerned about the critical economic and political situation prevailing in Angola, which has been aggravated by the renewal of hostilities in October 1992 that continue to destroy the economic and social infrastructure,

Concerned about the serious deterioration of the humanitarian situation, as a result of which 3 million people are estimated to be in need of emergency aid,

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Gravely concerned about the drought, which has devastated the centre and south of the country, causing suffering for millions of people,

Taking into consideration the fact that the implementation of the Peace Accords for Angola 1/ would create favourable conditions for the economic and social rehabilitation of the country,

Aware of the need for a greater effort and commitment on the part of the international community to assist Angola in rehabilitating its economy,

Conscious of the fact that during 1993, owing to the prevailing situation in the country, the Government of Angola was not able to organize a donors' round-table conference as planned,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General; 2/
2. Calls upon all parties to do their utmost to achieve the full and effective implementation of the Peace Accords for Angola 1/ in order to bring peace and stability to Angola, thus creating conditions conducive to its economic rehabilitation;
3. Expresses its appreciation to all States, United Nations organizations and other donors for the emergency humanitarian assistance rendered to Angola through the Special Relief Programme for Angola, and appeals for continued and generous contributions for emergency humanitarian assistance;
4. Reiterates its appeal to the international community to continue to render the material, technical and financial assistance necessary for the economic rehabilitation of Angola;
5. Requests the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the international community, to continue to mobilize organizations and organs of the United Nations system in order to ensure an appropriate level of economic assistance for Angola;
6. Welcomes the decision of the Government of Angola to organize a donors' round-table conference for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Angola in 1994, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme, the African Development Bank, the Government of Portugal and other interested countries;
7. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution;
8. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled "International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola".

1/ See S/22609, annex; see Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-sixth Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1991, document S/22609.

2/ A/48/473.