and independence and on the assistance being provided by the international community towards the elimination of the remaining vestiges of colonialism in all its forms;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, having regard to the suggestions of the Special Committee, to continue to take concrete measures through all the media at his disposal, including publications, radio and television, to give widespread and continuous publicity to the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization and, inter alia:

To continue, in consultation with the Special (a)Committee, to collect, prepare and disseminate basic material, studies and articles relating to the problems of decolonization through the Office of Public Information of the Secretariat and the unit on information relating to decolonization established in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 3164 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973 and, in particular, to continue to publish the periodical Objective: Justice and other publications, special articles and studies of the Office of Public Information and to select from among them appropriate material for wider dissemination by means of reprints in various languages;

(b) To seek the full co-operation of the administering Powers concerned in the discharge of the tasks referred to above;

(c) To intensify the activities of all information centres, particularly those located in Western Europe;

To maintain a close working relationship with the Organization of African Unity by holding periodic consultations and by systematically exchanging relevant information with that organization;

To enlist the support of non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization in the dissemination of the relevant information;

To report to the Special Committee on the (f)measures taken in the implementation of the present resolution;

4. Invites all States, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization to undertake or intensify, in co-operation with the Secretary-General and within their respective spheres of competence, the largescale dissemination of the information referred to in paragraph 2 above.

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## 31/145. International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned at the situation obtaining in Zimbabwe and Namibia as a result of the continued oppression and domination of their peoples by the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia and the racist régime of South Africa in defiance of the decisions of the Security Council and the General Assembly,

Mindful of the special responsibility of the United Nations to support the struggle of the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia to exercise their inalienable right to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960,

Having approved the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, including in par-ticular the findings of the Ad Hoc Group established by the Special Committee at its 1029th meeting on 1 April 1976,42

Deeply conscious of the urgent and continuing need to arouse world public opinion with a view to assisting effectively the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia to self-determination, freedom and independence, and to intensify the widespread dissemination of information on the struggle for liberation being waged by the peoples of those Territories and their national liberation movements against the repressive, colonialist and racist domination of their countries by the minority régimes concerned,

Bearing in mind the constructive results of the International Conference of Experts for the Support of Victims of Colonialism and Apartheid in Southern Africa, held at Oslo from 9 to 14 April 1973,63

Noting the recommendation by the Special Committee that the United Nations should convene during 1977 an international conference in support of the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia<sup>64</sup> and the endorsement of this recommendation by the United Nations Council for Namibia,

Noting the statement of the Government of Mozambique that it would welcome a decision by the General Assembly to hold a conference at Maputo,

1. Decides that the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia shall be held during 1977 for the purpose of mobilizing worldwide support for and assistance to the peoples of those Territories in their struggle for self-determination and independence:

Welcomes the fact that the Government of Mozambique is prepared to hold the Conference at Maputo;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the United Nations Council for Namibia, to organize the said Conference at Maputo, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity, and authorizes the Secretary-General to provide the necessary staff and services for the Conference;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Ibid., chap. VII, sect. C, and annex I. <sup>63</sup> For the report of the Conference, see A/9061, annex. <sup>64</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Ses-sion, Supplement No. 23 (A/31/23/Rev.1), chap. VII, para. 16.

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give the widest possible publicity to the Conference through all the media at his disposal, including press releases, radio and television;

5. *Requests* the Special Committee and the United Nations Council for Namibia to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the results of the Conference.

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## 31/155. Report of the Security Council

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the Security Council covering the period from 16 June 1975 to 15 June 1976.65

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<sup>65</sup> Ibid., Supplement No. 2 (A/31/2).