

or during such session as the case may be, shall announce the membership of the Board. Membership of the Board shall be for an indefinite period, subject to the provisions of paragraph 8 below.

"8. Any member of the Board wishing to relinquish its membership shall inform the Secretary-General of the Conference, in writing, of its intention to do so. The Secretary-General of the Conference shall bring such communications to the attention of the President of the Board who, at the commencement of the following regular, special or resumed session, or during such session as the case may be, shall announce the revised membership of the Board.";

2. *Further decides* that the present members of the Trade and Development Board shall remain in office until the new membership of the Board is established in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 7 of resolution 1995 (XIX) as amended by the present resolution.

*10th plenary meeting  
29 September 1976*

## B

### TERMINATION OF THE INTERIM CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY ARRANGEMENTS

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* Trade and Development Board decision 145 (XVI) of 23 October 1976 on the question of the terms of reference of the Advisory Committee to the Board and to the Committee on Commodities,<sup>3</sup>

*Decides* to terminate the Interim Co-ordinating Committee for International Commodity Arrangements and, accordingly, to delete the second sentence of paragraph 23 (a) of section II of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) of 30 December 1964 on the establishment of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, as amended by resolution 2904 (XXVII) of 26 September 1972 and by resolution A above, so that paragraph 23 (a) will read as follows:

"(a) A committee on commodities which, *inter alia*, will carry out the functions which are now performed by the Commission on International Commodity Trade and the Interim Co-ordinating Committee for International Commodity Arrangements;"

*106th plenary meeting  
21 December 1976*

### 31/14. Conference on International Economic Co-operation

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

*Recalling further* its resolution 3515 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the Conference on International Economic Co-operation,

<sup>3</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/31/15)*, vol. II, annex I.

*Taking note* of the interim report of the Conference on International Economic Co-operation on its activities as at mid-September 1976,<sup>4</sup>

*Noting with growing concern* that most of the developed countries participating in the Conference on International Economic Co-operation have yet to demonstrate the necessary political will to achieve concrete results,

*Considering* that the achievement of concrete and substantial results in all areas under consideration at the Conference on International Economic Co-operation is a prerequisite for the success of the Conference and should make a substantial contribution to the economic development of developing countries and constitute a significant advance in international economic co-operation,

1. *Expresses its deep concern and disappointment* at the failure of the Conference on International Economic Co-operation to achieve any concrete results so far and its profound concern at the adverse effect which the failure of the Conference will have on international economic co-operation;

2. *Urges* all the countries participating in the Conference on International Economic Co-operation to make all the necessary efforts to ensure the success of the Conference;

3. *Further urges* the developed countries participating in the Conference on International Economic Co-operation to respond positively to the proposals put forward by the developing countries so as to reach concrete results in all areas at the concluding Ministerial Meeting in December 1976;

4. *Affirms* the interrelationship of the work of the four Commissions of the Conference, which should proceed in a parallel manner and should achieve an interrelated set of positive and concrete results;

5. *Decides* to consider during its current session the results of the concluding Ministerial Meeting of the Conference on International Economic Co-operation, which will take place from 15 to 17 December 1976.

*72nd plenary meeting  
19 November 1976*

### 31/17. Assistance to Cape Verde

*The General Assembly,*

*Deeply concerned* at the serious economic situation in Cape Verde as a result of eight successive years of drought, the return of large numbers of refugees and the total lack of infrastructures for development inherited from the colonial period,

*Noting* that Cape Verde, in December 1975, shortly after independence, joined the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel,

*Recalling* its resolutions 3054 (XXVIII) of 17 October 1973 and 3512 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the economic and social situation in the Sudano-Sahelian region, victim of the drought, and measures to be taken on its behalf,

*Recalling further* that Cape Verde is included in the list of the most seriously affected countries,<sup>5</sup>

<sup>4</sup> A/31/282, annex.

<sup>5</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/31/21)*, annex IV.

*Noting* the efforts on behalf of the Sahel by the Office for Sahelian Relief Operations of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the United Nations Sahelian Office,

*Recalling* its resolution 3421 (XXX) of 8 December 1975 on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, in which it urged the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to extend assistance to the newly independent and emerging States,

*Recalling further* United Nations Conference on Trade and Development recommendation 99 (IV) of 31 May 1976,<sup>6</sup> particularly paragraph 4 thereof, in which the Conference recommended that measures of assistance should be undertaken by the appropriate organs of the United Nations system in favour of the newly independent States of Africa,

*Noting* the outline of the economic and social situation in Cape Verde submitted by the Government of Cape Verde to the Secretary-General, and the appeals of the Secretary-General of 26 March 1975 and 18 October 1976 for assistance to Cape Verde,

1. *Urgently appeals* to Member States and the international institutions concerned, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Food Programme, to assist the Government of Cape Verde in an effective and continuous manner so as to enable it to deal effectively with the catastrophic drought situation and its consequences;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to mobilize the financial, technical and economic assistance of the international community, in particular the developed countries and the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, with a view to meeting the short-term and long-term development needs of this newly independent country;

3. *Requests* the Committee for Development Planning at its thirteenth session, as a matter of priority, to give favourable consideration to the question of the inclusion of Cape Verde in the list of the least developed countries and to submit its conclusions to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session;

4. *Invites* in the meantime Member States, particularly the developed countries, and the organizations of the United Nations system to grant Cape Verde the same benefits as those enjoyed by the least developed among the developing countries in the light of prevailing conditions in Cape Verde;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to keep this matter under review and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.

*77th plenary meeting  
24 November 1976*

<sup>6</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, sect. A.

### 31/42. Assistance to the Comoros

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* recommendation 99 (IV) of 31 May 1976, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its fourth session, held at Nairobi from 5 to 31 May 1976, in which the Conference noted the serious and disturbing nature of the economic situation in the Comoros, where the *per capita* income is one of the lowest in the world,<sup>7</sup>

*Being aware*, moreover, that the Comoros is faced with certain specific tasks arising from its recent attainment of independence,

*Recalling further* its resolution 3421 (XXX) of 8 December 1975 on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, in which it urged the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to extend assistance to the newly independent and emerging States,

1. *Urgently appeals* to Member States and to the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to assist the Government of the Comoros in an effective and continuous manner so as to enable it to face successfully the critical situation resulting from the economic difficulties experienced by that country;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to mobilize financial, technical and economic assistance from the international community, particularly from the developed countries and the appropriate organizations within the United Nations system, with a view to meeting the short-term and long-term development needs of this newly independent country;

3. *Requests* the Committee for Development Planning to give favourable consideration at its thirteenth session, as a matter of priority, to the question of the inclusion of the Comoros in the list of least developed countries and to submit its conclusions to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session;

4. *Invites* in the meantime Member States, particularly the developed countries, and the organizations of the United Nations system to grant to the Comoros, in view of that country's difficult economic situation, the same benefits as those enjoyed by the least developed among the developing countries;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to keep the matter under review and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.

*84th plenary meeting  
1 December 1976*

### 31/43. Assistance to Mozambique

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the resolutions of the Security Council on the question of Southern Rhodesia, in particular resolution 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966, in which the

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*