

dire need of additional funds to meet its minimal annual expenses,

Noting that many Member States are not in a position to make any contribution to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East,

Noting also that many States, instead of contributing to the budget of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, prefer to extend direct aid to the Palestine refugees,

Taking into account that the contribution of the United States of America to the regular budget of the United Nations has been reduced to 25 per cent by General Assembly resolution 2961 B (XXVII) of 13 December 1972 on the understanding that the United States will endeavour to maintain and possibly increase its voluntary contributions to the various agencies and other organs of the United Nations,

Considering further the deep interest which certain Western European and other States have manifested in the Middle East for many years,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to all States which have in the past generously contributed to the budget of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;

2. *Appeals* to Member States, especially those with \$1,500 or more *per capita* income, to consider increasing their contribution to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

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3090 (XXVIII). Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2656 (XXV) of 7 December 1970, 2728 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, 2791 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971 and 2963 (XXVII) and 2964 (XXVII) of 13 December 1972,

Having considered the report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East,⁹

Taking into account the annual report of the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, covering the period from 1 July 1972 to 30 June 1973,¹⁰

Deeply concerned at the financial situation of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, which continues to be serious, thereby endangering the essential services being provided to Palestine refugees,

Convinced of the continuing need for extraordinary efforts in order to maintain, at least at their present minimum level, the activities of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East,

1. *Commends* the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East for its work;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the report of the Working Group;

⁹ A/9231.

¹⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 13 (A/9013).*

3. *Requests* the Working Group to continue its efforts, in co-operation with the Secretary-General and the Commissioner-General, for the financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East for a further period of one year;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the necessary services and assistance to the Working Group for the conduct of its work.

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3091 (XXVIII). Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965, 2053 A (XX) of 15 December 1965, 2249 (S-V) of 23 May 1967, 2308 (XXII) of 13 December 1967, 2451 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968, 2670 (XXV) of 8 December 1970, 2835 (XXVI) of 17 December 1971 and 2965 (XXVII) of 13 December 1972,

Having received and examined the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations of 21 November 1973,¹¹

Having noted the working documents submitted to the Special Committee and its Working Group during the past year and the reports prepared by the Working Group during the same period,

Considering that circumstances are propitious for the continuation of the study with which the Special Committee is entrusted and make it more necessary than ever for the Committee to intensify its work,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations, in particular paragraphs 10 and 11 thereof;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the progress made by the Special Committee in the fulfilment of its mandate and the work of its Working Group;

3. *Requests* the Special Committee and its Working Group to intensify their respective efforts to complete by the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly their task of achieving agreed guidelines for carrying out peace-keeping operations in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations;

4. *Requests* the Special Committee to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-ninth session.

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3092 (XXVIII). Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories

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The General Assembly,

Recalling the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,¹²

¹¹ *Ibid.*, *Twenty-eighth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 44, document A/9236.

¹² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, No. 973, p. 287.