

of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,¹⁸ the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,¹⁸ the Declaration of the Rights of the Child¹⁹ or other instruments of international law.

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3319 (XXIX). Respect for human rights in armed conflicts

The General Assembly,

Conscious that a better application of existing humanitarian rules relating to armed conflicts and the development of further rules remains an urgent task in order to reduce the suffering brought about by all such conflicts,

Recalling the successive resolutions adopted in the preceding years by the United Nations relating to human rights in armed conflicts and the debates on this subject,

Noting the report of the Secretary-General²⁰ on the first session of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts, held at Geneva from 20 February to 29 March 1974, and on the Conference of Government Experts on Weapons That May Cause Unnecessary Suffering or Have Indiscriminate Effects, convoked by the International Committee of the Red Cross at Lucerne from 24 September to 18 October 1974,

Welcoming the decision by the Diplomatic Conference to invite national liberation movements recognized by the regional intergovernmental organizations concerned to participate in its work,

Welcoming the work of the first session of the Diplomatic Conference and the work of the Conference of Government Experts,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Swiss Federal Council for convoking the second session of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts in 1975 and to the International Committee of the Red Cross for its readiness to convoke in 1975 another Conference of Government Experts on Weapons That May Cause Unnecessary Suffering or Have Indiscriminate Effects;

2. *Urges* all participants in the Diplomatic Conference to do their utmost to reach agreement on additional rules which may help to alleviate the suffering brought about by armed conflicts and to respect and to protect non-combatants and civilian objects in such conflicts;

3. *Calls upon* all parties to armed conflicts to acknowledge and to comply with their obligations under the humanitarian instruments and to observe the international humanitarian rules which are applicable, in particular the Hague Conventions of 1899 and 1907,²¹

the Geneva Protocol of 1925²² and the Geneva Conventions of 1949;²³

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session on relevant developments concerning human rights in armed conflicts, in particular on the proceedings and results of the 1975 session of the Diplomatic Conference;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session the item entitled "Respect for human rights in armed conflicts" and emphasizes the need to allocate adequate time during that session to consider the results of both sessions of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts.

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3320 (XXIX). Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country,²⁴

Drawing attention to its resolutions 2747 (XXV) of 17 December 1970, 2819 (XXVI) of 15 December 1971, 3033 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 and 3107 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973, in which it urged the Government of the host country to make certain that the measures taken to ensure the protection and security of permanent missions to the United Nations and their personnel were adequate to enable those missions to perform properly the functions entrusted to them by their Governments,

Recalling the responsibilities of the Government of the host country with respect to the United Nations and the missions accredited to it, their personnel and their correspondence under the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations,²⁵ the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations²⁶ and general international law,

Recalling the duty of missions accredited to the United Nations and their personnel to respect the laws and regulations of the host country,

Considering that the problems related to the privileges and immunities of the United Nations and to the status of the missions accredited to it are of mutual concern to Member States, including the host country, as well as to the Secretary-General,

Noting the recommendations of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, contained in paragraph 88 of its report,

Taking note of the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country,

1. *Expresses its deep concern* at incidents which have taken place at some missions accredited to the United Nations and which have involved the personnel of these missions;

²² League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. XCIV, No. 2138, p. 65.

²³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, Nos. 970-973.

²⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/9626)*.

²⁵ Resolution 169 (II).

²⁶ Resolution 22 A (I).

¹⁸ Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

¹⁹ Resolution 1386 (XIV).

²⁰ A/9669 and Add.1.

²¹ Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, *The Hague Conventions and Declarations 1899 and 1907* (New York, Oxford University Press, 1915).