- 11. Urges all nations to display the necessary political will and place adequate resources at the disposal of the United Nations, in order to enable it to fulfil its role in the economic and social fields;
 - 12. Finally declares that:

The objective of eliminating injustice and inequality and of achieving international co-operation for the promotion of economic progress and better standards of life, as well as social advancement and the encouragement of respect for human rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction, has yet to be achieved in large areas of the world; to this end, the Council declares its adherence to the principles of national independence, sovereignty, and self-reliance and its faith in co-operation, dialogue and negotiation between developed and developing countries, based on a real political will to promote an equitable and just system of international economic relations in conformity with the principles of the United Nations Charter.

2020th plenary meeting 9 July 1976

2010 (LXI). Expression of thanks to the Government and people of Ivory Coast

The Economic and Social Council,

Meeting for the first time on the continent of Africa,

Conscious of its responsibilities under the Charter of
the United Nations,

Convinced that its historic meeting at Abidjan has given new impetus to fulfil those responsibilities,

- 1. Expresses its profound appreciation to His Excellency the President of the Republic of Ivory Coast and to the Government of the Republic of Ivory Coast for making this meeting possible;
- 2. Requests the President of the Economic and Social Council to convey an expression of its deep grantade to the people of the Republic of Ivory Coast, and in particular to those responsible for the excellent arrangements for the meeting, for the generous hospitality and warm welcome accorded to the Council on every side.

2021st plenary meeting 9 July 1976

2011 (LXI). Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3454 (XXX) of 9 December 1975 and earlier resolutions of the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly relating to the activities of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,

Reaffirming the eminently humanitarian character of the activities of the High Commissioner for the benefit of refugees and displaced persons. Recognizing the importance of the essential humanitarian tasks undertaken by his Office in the context of man-made disasters, in addition to its original functions

Noting the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees ¹ and the oral statement made by him to the Council at its sixty-first session ² on various aspects of his humanitarian activities,

- 1. Commends the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for his efforts on behalf of refugees and displaced persons, victims of man-made disasters, requiring urgent humanitarian assistance;
- 2. Requests the High Commissioner to continue his activities, in co-operation with Governments, United Nations bodies, appropriate intergovernmental organizations and voluntary agencies, for alleviating the suffering of all those of concern to his Office and for promoting permanent and speedy solutions to their problems through the provision of urgently required relief assistance, voluntary repatriation and assistance in their rehabilitation, integration or resettlement;
- 3. Calls upon the international community to continue and to strengthen further its support for the humanitarian activities of the High Commissioner;
- 4. Transmits the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session.

2028th plenary meeting 2 August 1976

2012 (LXI). Assistance to Zambia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolutions on the question of Southern Rhodesia, in particular resolution 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966 declaring that the situation in Southern Rhodesia constituted a threat to international peace and security, and resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968 imposing mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia.

Commending the decision of the Government of Zambia in 1968 to implement progressively United Nations mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968), culminating in the closure of the border with Southern Rhodesia in 1973,

Appreciating the very substantial sacrifices made by the Government and the people of Zambia in terms of the opportunities forgone for the economic and social development of the country since the unilateral declaration of independence by Southern Rhodesia in November 1965.

Recalling Security Council resolution 277 (1970) of 18 March 1970 requesting inter alia Member States and

¹ E/5853 and Corr.1; for the final lext, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first 8 wion Supple of the 2 (A/51/12).

² See E/SR.20 ¹⁷

the United Nations system to increase their assistance to Zambia as a matter of priority,

Recalling further Security Council resolution 329 (1973) of 10 March 1973, appealing to all States for immediate technical, financial and material assistance to Zambia to enable it to enhance its capacity to implement fully the mandatory sanctions policy and requesting the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, to organize with immediate effect all forms of financial, technical and material assistance to enable Zambia to carry out its policy of economic independence from the racist régime of Southern Rhodesia,

Appreciating the assistance received until now from certain Member States and the United Nations system,

Noting with satisfaction the measures taken so far by the Secretary-General to organize an effective programme of international assistance to Zambia,

Having heard the statement made on behalf of the Secretary-General and that of the representative of Zambia,³

Noting that:

- (a) The real cost to Zambia includes not only the direct cost of applying sanctions and the cost of the contingency measures necessitated by them, but also heavy recurrent expenditure, and the diversion of limited financial and human resources from the country's national development,
- (b) The direct cost to Zambia of applying sanctions is estimated at approximately US\$650 million over the past ten years, of which approximately \$450 million has been incurred during the period 1973-1976,
- (c) The Government of Zambia has already undertaken a number of longer-term development projects designed to counter the adverse effects of sanctions,
- (d) The Government of Zambia wishes to continue the programme of co-operation between Zambia and the United Nations until the end of 1977,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Articles 49 and 50 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that Zambia is confronted with special economic problems arising from the implementation of the measures decided upon in Security Council resolution 253 (1968), and especially in the context of the increasing momentum and pressure of political developments in southern Africa,

- 1. Strongly endorses the appeal of the Security Council to the international community to provide financial, technical and material assistance to Zambia;
- 2. Calls upon all Member States to continue to provide Zambia with ample and appropriate assistance, bilaterally and multilaterally, whenever possible in the form of grants, to enable Zambia to bear the great cost arising from the implementation of sanctions and to carry out its normal development programme;
 - ³ See E/SR.2028 and E/5867.

- 3. Requests the United Nations and all its organizations and specialized agencies to make every effort to assist Zambia:
- 4. Requests the United Nations Special Fund to give special consideration to the needs of Zambia;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to continue the programme of co-operation between Zambia and the United Nations until the end of 1977;
- 6. Further requests the Secretary-General to keep the situation under constant review, to hold consultations, as appropriate, with representatives of Governments of all interested Member States, regional organizations, intergovernmental agencies, regional and international financial institutions, and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session.

2029th plenary meeting 3 August 1976

2020 (LXI). Assistance to Mozambique

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolutions on the question of Southern Rhodesia, in particular resolution 232 (1966) of 16 September 1966, declaring that the situation in Southern Rhodesia constituted a threat to international peace and security, and resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968, imposing mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia,

Commending the decision of the Government of Mozambique to implement mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968),

Appreciating the very substantial sacrifices made by the Government and the people of Mozambique as a consequence of the closure of the border with Southern Rhodesia,

Recalling Security Council resolution 386 (1976) of 17 March 1976, appealing to all States to provide immediate technical, financial and material assistance to Mozambique and requesting the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, to organize with immediate effect all forms of financial, technical and material assistance to enable Mozambique to carry out its policy of economic independence from the racist régime of Southern Rhodesia and enhance its capacity to implement fully the United Nations mandatory sanctions,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1987 (LX) of 11 May 1976, strongly endorsing the appeal of the Security Council to the international community to provide immediate financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique,

Taking note of the report by the Secretary-General on assistance to Mozambique,⁴

⁴ E/5872/Rev.1.