

Yugoslavia to provide relief for the victims of the earthquake and to restore normal living conditions for the people,

Noting also the preparation by the Government of Yugoslavia of a five-year plan for the reconstruction of the city of Skoplje,

Taking note of the assistance rendered to the people of Skoplje by many nations, by organizations of the United Nations family and by other organizations, and noting with satisfaction that the spirit of international solidarity demonstrated on this occasion has transformed the reconstruction of Skoplje into a real symbol of friendship and brotherhood among peoples,

1. *Expresses its deep sympathy* to the people of Skoplje and the Government of Yugoslavia over this disaster;

2. *Endorses* the recommendation contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 970 (XXXVI) of 29 July 1963 inviting Member States to consider what further assistance they may be in a position to offer to Yugoslavia, and appeals to them to assist the Yugoslav Government in the execution of the five-year plan for the reconstruction of Skoplje;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the heads of the specialized agencies, the Executive Directors of the World Food Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund, the Managing Director of the Special Fund, and the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board, to bear in mind the immediate and long-term needs of the Yugoslav Government in connexion with its plan for the reconstruction of Skoplje when deciding on the services to be provided to Member States in the light of the funds available.

*1240th plenary meeting,
14 October 1963.*

1886 (XVIII). Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1962-1963.¹

*1253rd plenary meeting,
30 October 1963.*

1887 (XVIII). Report of the Security Council

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the Security Council to the General Assembly covering the period from 16 July 1962 to 15 July 1963.²

*1253rd plenary meeting,
30 October 1963.*

1888 (XVIII). Measures in connexion with the hurricane which has just struck the territories of Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago

The General Assembly,

Noting with deep regret the tragic consequences of the hurricane which struck the Caribbean area—espe-

cially the territories of Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago—resulting in the loss of thousands of lives and causing considerable material damage,

Considering the urgent measures adopted by the Governments of the above-mentioned countries to alleviate the suffering of the victims of the hurricane, reconstruct the devastated areas and restore normal living conditions in those areas.

Noting with particular satisfaction that many States, international bodies and organizations in the United Nations family have taken immediate steps to help the victims of the hurricane,

1. *Expresses its deep sympathy* to the peoples of Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago over the loss of human life and the material damage caused by the hurricane;

2. *Invites* Member States and non-governmental organizations to study ways of providing large-scale assistance, either individually or collectively, to the above-mentioned territories in order that they may make a more effective effort to rehabilitate the devastated areas, and asks them to furnish such assistance generously;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the United Nations agencies concerned to bear in mind the immediate and future needs of the affected countries and to provide assistance, in connexion with their rehabilitation plans, from available resources, obtaining where necessary the authorization of the governing bodies of their respective organizations.

*1254th plenary meeting,
1 November 1963.*

1898 (XVIII). Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Improvement of the Methods of Work of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Recalling with appreciation the initiative taken by the President of the sixteenth session of the General Assembly in his memorandum of 26 April 1962 on the methods of work of the Assembly,³

Recalling its decision of 30 October 1962 establishing the Ad Hoc Committee on the Improvement of the Methods of Work of the General Assembly and its resolution 1845 (XVII) of 19 December 1962, by which it decided to continue the Committee,

Having considered the report submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee in pursuance of the above-mentioned resolution,⁴

Conscious of the need to adapt its methods of work to the changed circumstances in the General Assembly, in particular those resulting from the recent increase in the number of Member States,

Concerned however to avoid reducing in any way the possibilities for action available to the General Assembly under the Charter of the United Nations and the rules of procedure of the Assembly,

Convinced that it is in the interests of the Organization and of Member States that the work of the General Assembly should be carried out as efficiently and expeditiously as possible and that, save in quite ex-

¹ *Annual Report of the Board of Governors to the General Conference, 1 July 1962-30 June 1963, Vienna, July 1963, and supplementary report (A/5471 and Add.1).*

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 2 (A/5402).*

³ *Ibid., Seventeenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 86, document A/5123.*

⁴ *Ibid., Eighteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 25, document A/5423.*