

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO A SESSIONAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

1832 (LVI). Assistance to Zambia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolution 329 (1973) of 10 March 1973, Economic and Social Council resolutions 1766 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 and 1798 (LV) of 24 July 1973, and General Assembly resolution 3173 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973, concerning the question of assistance to Zambia to enable Zambia, *inter alia*, to overcome the economic difficulties arising from the closure of its southern border,

Expressing its appreciation of the continued positive contributions received from the international community and the organizations of the United Nations system in response to the appeal contained in the resolutions cited above,

Also appreciating the effective efforts being made by the Secretary-General to organize and mobilize maximum assistance from Member States and from the organizations of the United Nations system,

Recognizing that in spite of these commendable efforts there still exists an urgent need for substantial and sustained assistance from the international community, particularly in order to meet certain requirements,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the oral report¹ made on behalf of the Secretary-General on the practical measures so far undertaken or envisaged in the implementation of the relevant resolutions;

2. *Reiterates* the appeal for more and greater contributions to satisfy the specific requirements identified by the Government of Zambia in co-operation with the United Nations including, in particular, recurrent costs and those costs arising from additional indebtedness which still remain to be covered;

3. *Recognizes* the valuable and efficient response received from the organizations of the United Nations system and other intergovernmental organizations, and further recognizes the essential need for continued provision of the required technical co-operation activities;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to undertake all possible measures designed to achieve the objective envisaged in Security Council resolution 329 (1973), including consultations with Member States, particularly those States which are not as adversely affected as Zambia both by the United Nations sanctions policy against the rebel régime of Southern Rhodesia and by the economic crisis, in view of Zambia's land-locked and difficult geopolitical situation;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to include in his comprehensive mid-term report, to be submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-seventh session, the results of any consultations conducted in accordance with paragraph 4 above.

1894th plenary meeting
8 May 1974

1833 (LVI). Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that seven out of fourteen provinces of Ethiopia have experienced severe drought, which directly affected the lives of over 2 million persons and millions of cattle, causing serious damage to the economy of the country,

Bearing in mind that it is in conformity with the principle of international solidarity enunciated in the Charter of the United Nations to render assistance to States Members of the United Nations which are the victims of major natural disasters,

Recalling General Assembly and Economic and Social Council resolutions concerning assistance in cases of natural disaster, in particular, General Assembly resolutions 2816 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971, 2959 (XXVII) of 12 December 1972 and 3152 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973,

Recognizing that the catastrophe that has befallen Ethiopia is comparable to that which has stricken the Sudano-Sahelian zone,

Noting with appreciation the general expression of friendship and solidarity as well as the assistance in relief operations provided by a number of countries and international organizations,

Also noting with appreciation the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, taken at its seventeenth session,² in which *inter alia*, the Administrator of the Programme was requested to prepare, in co-operation with the Government of Ethiopia and the heads of all appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, a comprehensive report to be used as a basis for the formulation of immediate, medium-term and long-term programmes for recovery from the drought damage in Ethiopia,

Further noting with appreciation the measures taken by the Secretary-General and the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator to ensure that the most prompt and effective assistance is provided to the Gov-

¹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-sixth Session, 1894th meeting.*

² *Ibid.*, *Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/5466)*, para. 279.

ernment of Ethiopia for the drought-stricken regions, as reported by the Co-ordinator in his written statement³ and in his oral statement,⁴

1. *Express its deep sympathy* to the people and Government of Ethiopia for the loss of human and animal life caused by the drought;

2. *Appeals* to Member States and to international governmental and non-governmental organizations to assist in the speedy application of the emergency measures taken by the Government of Ethiopia;

3. *Recognizes* that the emergency measures will consist of a supply of additional food-stuffs, vaccines, means of transport, seeds, fertilizers, hydraulic equipment, and money for the purchase of work oxen;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to call upon all organizations of the United Nations system to respond to the immediate, medium-term and long-term needs of the Ethiopian Government for the drought-afflicted populations in Ethiopia;

5. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to respond to the request of the Government of Ethiopia with regard to the immediate, medium-term and long-term needs of the drought-stricken regions, in collaboration with the organizations of the United Nations system, in particular, the Economic Commission for Africa, the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, as well as the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization and the International Atomic Energy Agency, each within the framework of its terms of reference;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council, at its fifty-seventh session, on the progress made by the organizations of the United Nations system toward the containment of the consequences of the drought in Ethiopia.

*1894th plenary meeting
8 May 1974*

1834 (LVI). Aid to the Sudano-Sahelian populations threatened with famine

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General⁵ on the initiatives taken in recent

³ See E/L.1591.

⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-sixth Session, 1894th meeting.*

⁵ E/5457.

months to mobilize the resources of the United Nations system for the benefit of the Sudano-Sahelian region,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, as well as the appeals made by the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

Noting with satisfaction the role played by the Office for Sahelian Relief Operations of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations concerning emergency aid to the countries of the drought-stricken region and by the United Nations Special Sahelian Office concerning the co-ordination of action taken by the United Nations system to provide medium-term and long-term assistance,

Noting that the effects of the drought have been felt by many African countries and that the migration of a considerable number of people from the Sudano-Sahelian region to the neighbouring countries is causing the latter serious difficulties,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to Governments, inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations and other bodies which have helped to limit the effects of the drought upon the peoples of the Sudano-Sahelian region;

2. *Requests* Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to redouble their efforts to provide a greater volume of assistance to meet urgent and middle-term and long-term needs, taking into account the cumulative effects of the drought, which is now entering its seventh year;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to awaken greater public interest throughout the world in the drought which continues to prevail in the Sudano-Sahelian region and to secure additional financial aid to help solve the problems caused by the drought;

4. *Requests* the Office for Sahelian Relief Operations of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to continue its efforts to increase co-operation and co-ordination among the organizations of the United Nations system regarding emergency relief programmes;

5. *Further requests* the United Nations Special Sahelian Office to continue its efforts to increase co-operation and co-ordination between the organizations of the United Nations system regarding medium-term and long-term assistance programmes;

6. *Invites* the Special Sahelian Office to maintain and strengthen the co-operation which already exists with the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

7. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-seventh session on the development of the situation.

*1895th plenary meeting
14 May 1974*

DECISIONS

1 (LVI). Basic programme of work of the Council for 1974

At its 1890th plenary meeting, on 10 January 1974, the Council, having examined the draft programme of

work for 1974 submitted by the Secretariat⁶ and the note by the Secretariat regarding actions arising out of decisions of the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth

⁶ E/5437 and Corr.1.