

assistance in the Government's effort towards rehabilitation and recovery,

Noting that despite the generous assistance offered to the Government of Ethiopia by the Governments of Member States, the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and other organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies, the enormous difficulties of rehabilitation and recovery still persist,

1. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in collaboration with all appropriate United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and Member States, to intensify the response to the needs for recovery, rehabilitation and development of the drought-stricken areas, taking into account the Special Programme of emergency measures adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974;

2. *Urges* the United Nations and the specialized agencies to continue implementing vigorously the provisions of Council resolutions 1833 (LVI), 1876 (LVII) and 1971 (LIX) and those of General Assembly resolution 3441 (XXX);

3. *Appeals* to Governments of Member States and to intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to lend their continuing support to the measures undertaken by the Government of Ethiopia for the relief, rehabilitation and recovery of the drought-stricken areas;

4. *Decides* to keep the matter under review.

1995th plenary meeting
6 May 1976

1987 (LX). Assistance to Mozambique

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Security Council resolutions on the question of Southern Rhodesia, in particular resolution 232 (1966) of 16 September 1966, in which it was declared 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 People's Republic of Mozambique to apply sanctions against Southern Rhodesia in implementation of Security Council resolution 253 (1968),

Recalling also Security Council resolution 386 (1976) of 17 March 1976, and the appeal therein to all States and to the United Nations system to provide immediate financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique, so that Mozambique could carry out its economic development programme normally and enhance its capacity to implement fully the system of sanctions,

Noting with satisfaction the measures already taken by the Secretary-General to organize an effective programme of international assistance to Mozambique, including the dispatch of a mission to conduct a detailed assessment of the situation,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General's Mission to Mozambique,²⁷ which indicated, *inter alia*, that:

(a) The real cost to Mozambique of applying sanctions against Southern Rhodesia includes not only the direct cost of applying sanctions and the cost of the emergency projects necessitated by them, but also heavy recurrent expenditure, and a burden on the country's long-term development,

(b) The direct cost to Mozambique of applying sanctions is estimated at over \$140 million for the next twelve months and over \$110 million for the subsequent year,

(c) The assistance required by Mozambique is estimated at over \$210 million for the next twelve months and over \$175 million for the subsequent year,

(d) The Government of Mozambique has put forward a number of longer-term development projects designed to overcome the burden of sanctions and to implement its normal development programme,

(e) Mozambique is faced with urgent requirements for professional and skilled manpower,

Having heard the statement of the Secretary-General²⁸ on the nature and extent of assistance necessary to meet the immediate and longer-term requirements of the situation in Mozambique,

Having heard also the statement of the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs and Head of the Special Delegation of Mozambique²⁹ confirming the information contained in the report of the Secretary-General,

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

Recognizing that Mozambique is confronted with special economic problems arising from the carrying out of the measures decided upon in Security Council resolution 253 (1968),

1. *Strongly endorses* the appeal of the Security Council to the international community to provide immediate financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique;

2. *Calls upon* all Member States to provide Mozambique with generous assistance, bilaterally and multilaterally, whenever possible in the form of grants, to enable Mozambique to bear the great cost arising from the implementation of sanctions;

3. *Requests* the United Nations, all its organizations and the specialized agencies to make every effort to assist Mozambique;

4. *Requests* the United Nations Development Programme to consider on an urgent basis the restoration of the 1976 indicative planning figure for Mozambique and an increase in its indicative planning figure for the next programme cycle;

5. *Requests* the United Nations Special Fund to give special consideration to the needs of Mozambique;

6. *Welcomes* the arrangements made by the Secretary-General to establish machinery at Maputo and at United Nations Headquarters to co-ordinate the activities of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and to be the channel of communication between the Government of Mozambique and the United Nations system;

²⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixtieth Session, Plenary Meetings, 1996th meeting.*

²⁹ *Ibid.*

²⁷ See E/5812 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give the report of the Mission the widest possible circulation so that the international community may be made aware of the needs and priorities of Mozambique;

8. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, for the convenience of the international community, to establish a special account to facilitate the channelling through the United Nations of international assistance to Mozambique;

9. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to keep the situation under constant review, to hold regular consultative meetings with representatives of Governments of all interested Member States, regional organizations, inter-governmental agencies, regional and international financial institutions, and specialized agencies, and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-first session.

1999th plenary meeting
11 May 1976

1988 (LX). Procedures for the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Economic and Social Council,

Welcoming the entry into force on 3 January 1976 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,³⁰

Expressing its appreciation to those States which have become parties to the Covenant,

Expressing the hope that at the earliest practicable time other States will become parties to the Covenant, with a view to making its application universal,

Noting the important responsibilities placed on the Economic and Social Council by the Covenant and expressing its readiness to perform these responsibilities,

Noting in particular that international assistance and co-operation are among the methods envisaged in the Covenant for the guaranteeing of the rights enumerated therein,

Having requested the Secretary-General to conduct on its behalf consultations with the States parties to the Covenant and the specialized agencies concerned, as envisaged in article 17 of the Covenant, and having received with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General thereon,³¹

Expressing its appreciation to the Commission on Human Rights, the specialized agencies concerned and other organizations of the United Nations system for their readiness to co-operate in the implementation of the Covenant,

1. *Establishes* in accordance with article 17 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the following programme under which the States parties to the Covenant will furnish in biennial stages the reports referred to in article 16 thereof:

First stage: rights covered by articles 6-9;

Second stage: rights covered by articles 10-12;

Third stage: rights covered by articles 13-15;

³⁰ General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI) of 16 December 1966.

³¹ E/5764.

2. *Requests* the States parties to the Covenant, in reporting under the programme established under paragraph 1 above, to give full attention to the principles contained in parts I and II—articles 1 to 5—of the Covenant;

3. *Invites* the States parties to the Covenant to submit to the Secretary-General, in conformity with part IV of the Covenant, and in accordance with the programme established under paragraph 1 above, reports on the measures that they have adopted and the progress made in achieving the observance of the rights recognized in the Covenant, and to indicate, when necessary, factors and difficulties affecting the degree of fulfilment of their obligations under the Covenant;³²

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit copies of the reports of the States parties to the Covenant to the Economic and Social Council for consideration in accordance with the provisions of the Covenant;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the specialized agencies, in accordance with article 16, paragraph 2 (b), of the Covenant, copies of the reports, or any relevant parts thereof, from States parties to the Covenant which are also members of these specialized agencies, in so far as these reports, or parts thereof, relate to any matters which fall within the responsibilities of the said agencies in accordance with their constitutional instruments;

6. *Calls upon* the specialized agencies to submit to the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with the programme established under paragraph 1 above, and bearing in mind the provisions of article 16, paragraph 2, of the Covenant, reports on the progress made in achieving the observance of the provisions of the Covenant falling within the scope of their activities, as provided under article 18 of the Covenant, which reports may include particulars of decisions and recommendations on such implementation adopted by their competent organs;³³

7. *Decides* that States parties to the Covenant which submit reports under the Covenant need not submit reports on similar questions under the reporting procedure established under Economic and Social Council resolution 1074 C (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the specialized agencies concerned, to draw general guidelines for the reports to be submitted by States parties to the Covenant and specialized agencies;

9. *Decides* that:

(a) A sessional working group of the Economic and Social Council, with appropriate representation of States parties to the Covenant, and with due regard to equitable geographical distribution, shall be established by the Council whenever reports are due for consideration by the Council, for the purpose of assisting it in the consideration of such reports;

(b) Representatives of specialized agencies concerned may take part in the proceedings of the working group when matters falling within their respective fields of competence are considered;

³² The reports on the rights included in the first stage of the programme should be transmitted by 1 September 1977, and the reports on the subsequent stages at biennial intervals thereafter.

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