deepest concern that constant flagrant violations of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms in Chile continued to be reported, and urged the Chilean authorities to take all necessary steps to restore and safeguard those rights and freedoms,

Taking note of General Assembly resolution 3448 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, in which, inter alia, the Assembly deplored the refusal of the Chilean authorities to allow the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Situation of Human Rights in Chile, established under resolution 8 (XXXI) of the Commission on Human Rights, to visit the country, notwithstanding previous solemn assurances given by the authorities in that regard, and urged them to honour those

Taking note also of the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group⁶⁷ established under resolution 8 (XXXI) of the Commission on Human Rights and of the Commission's consideration of that report at its thirty-second session,68

Observing that the Government of Chile has not yet responded to the requests of the Commission on Human Rights, communicated to it in 1974 and 1976 by the Chairman of the Commission, that persons still held in custody should be released and that they should not be subjected to any measure or prosecution on a retroactive

Deeply concerned that the responsibilities entrusted to its subsidiary organs should be fully carried out,

- 1. Endorses resolution 3 (XXXII) of the Commission on Human Rights⁶⁹ and the expression of profound distress contained therein at the constant flagrant violations of human rights, including the institutionalized practice of torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, arbitrary arrest, detention and exile, of which the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group established under resolution 8 (XXXI) of the Commission on Human Rights brings further evidence, which have taken place and, according to existing evidence, continue to take place in Chile, soon after the adoption of General Assembly resolution 3448 (XXX);
- 2. Requests the Ad Hoc Working Group established under resolution 8 (XXXI) of the Commission on Human Rights, in fulfilling its mandate under resolution 3 (XXXII) of the Commission and resolution 3448 (XXX) of the General Assembly, also to ascertain any effect which any measure taken by the Chilean authorities might have on the re-establishment of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in implementation of resolution 3448 (XXX);
- 3. Appeals once again to the Chilean authorities to comply with the requests and observations made and the guarantees sought by the Commission on Human Rights with regard to the restoration of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms.

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1995 (LX). Report of the Commission on Human Rights

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its thirty-second session 70 and commends its contribution to the promotion of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.

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1996 (LX). Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in Lesotho

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its decision of 2 June 1972, by which it referred the allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in Lesotho to the Fact-Finding and Conciliation Commission on Freedom of Association of the International Labour Organisation.

Having received with appreciation the report of that Commission on the subject, 71

- 1. Takes note of the recommendations of the Fact-Finding and Conciliation Commission on Freedom of Association, particularly those contained in paragraphs 126, 127, 130, 131, 133, 134 and 135 of its report, and invites the Government of Lesotho to consider their implementation favourably;
- 2. Requests the Government of Lesotho to inform the Secretary-General of any steps taken to implement the above recommendations;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit any communications received from the Government of Lesotho under paragraph 2 above, to the Director-General of the International Labour Office for the information of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation.

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1997 (LX). Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in South Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its decision 84 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975, by which it transmitted to the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights certain allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in South Africa,

Having received with appreciation the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts thereon,72

- 1. Expresses its deep indignation at the repression of African workers and their trade unions in South Africa;
- 2. Calls for the immediate release of all trade unionists currently under imprisonment or detention and for the immediate recognition and restitution of all trade union rights:

⁶⁷ A/10285 and E/CN.4/1188.

⁶⁸ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 3 (F/5768), chap. VI.

⁶⁹ Ibid., chap. XX.

⁷⁰ Ibid., Supplement No. 3 (E/5768).

⁷¹ GB.197/3/5.

⁷² E/5767.