

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL DURING ITS SIXTY-SECOND SESSION

Resolutions and decisions adopted without reference to a sessional committee

RESOLUTIONS

2047 (LXII). Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General¹³ submitted to the Council pursuant to General Assembly resolution 31/172 of 21 December 1976 on the progress made in the implementation of all relevant resolutions regarding assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia,

Noting with concern that in four regions of the drought-sensitive areas of the country crop failures have been reported, and that a crisis could result before the next harvest in October,

Having heard the statement of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator¹⁴ outlining substantial grain import requirements for the year 1977 as well as the urgent need for transport vehicles and associated equipment for the distribution of relief grain,

Having also heard the report of the Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Africa of the United Nations Development Programme¹⁴ on assistance being provided by the Programme to the Government of Ethiopia in relation to its relief and rehabilitation programmes in the drought-stricken areas of the country,

Taking note of the measures taken by the Government of Ethiopia to deal with emergency relief and rehabilitation in the drought-stricken areas of the country,

Recalling its resolutions 1833 (LVI) of 8 May 1974, 1876 (LVII) of 16 July 1974, 1971 (LIX) of 30 July 1975 and 1986 (LX) of 6 May 1976, in which the Council, *inter alia*, called upon the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to respond to the requests of the Government of Ethiopia with regard to the immediate, medium-term and long-term needs of the drought-stricken areas, and appealed to the Governments of all Member States, international organizations and voluntary agencies to continue giving their fullest support and assistance in the Government's effort towards rehabilitation and recovery,

Further noting that despite the generous assistance offered to the Government of Ethiopia by the Governments of Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies, enormous difficulties of rehabilitation and recovery still persist,

1. *Requests* the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the other United Nations organizations and the specialized agencies to continue and intensify their assistance to Ethiopia in its relief and rehabilitation effort in their respective areas of competence and to implement promptly the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, 3441 (XXX) of 9 December 1975 and 31/172, and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1833 (LVI), 1876 (LVII), 1971 (LIX) and 1986 (LX);

2. *Appeals* to Governments of Member States and to intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to continue and increase their assistance to the Government of Ethiopia for relief, rehabilitation and recovery of the drought-stricken areas;

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

*2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977*

2048 (LXII). Convening of a Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the First United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas,¹⁵ which was held at Panama City from 8 to 19 March 1976,

Expressing its appreciation for the valuable contribution made by the Conference in furthering cartographic work in the countries of the region for their economic and social development projects,

Noting the recommendation of the Conference that a Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas should be convened at Mexico City in the first half of 1979,

Noting also with appreciation that the Government of Mexico has offered to act as host to the Conference to be held at Mexico City for two weeks during the first half of 1979 and to extend its full co-operation in this regard,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976,

¹⁵ E/5906.

¹³ E/5919.

¹⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Plenary Meetings, 2054th meeting.*

to convene the Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas at Mexico City for two weeks during the first half of 1979, including the sending of invitations to the Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies and to the specialized agencies concerned and other interested international organizations;

2. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, as appropriate, to take practical measures to implement the recommendations of the First United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, taking fully into account the views on the recommendations expressed at the sixty-second session of the Economic and Social Council, and to submit a progress report on the measures taken in this respect to the Council at its sixty-fourth session.

2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977

2049 (LXII). Convening of the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Far East,¹⁶ which was held at Bangkok from 17 to 28 January 1977,

Expressing its appreciation for the valuable contribution made by the Conference in furthering cartographic work in the countries of the region for their economic and social development programmes,

Noting the recommendation that a ninth conference should be convened in February 1980,

Noting also with appreciation that the Government of New Zealand has offered to act as host to the Conference during February 1980 and to extend its full co-operation in this regard,

Recalling its resolution 1895 (LVII) of 1 August 1974 concerning the new name of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

1. *Approves* the recommendation of the Eighth Conference that future regional conferences in surveying and mapping for this region should be named United Nations Regional Cartographic Conferences for Asia and the Pacific;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976, to convene the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific in New Zealand in February 1980, including the sending of invitations to the Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies and to the specialized agencies concerned and other interested international organizations;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, as appropriate, to take practical measures:

(a) To implement the recommendations of the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Far East, including those on cadastral surveying and mapping, thematic mapping, hydrographic surveying and nautical charting, remote

sensing from satellites and aircraft, and training and education in the various cartography disciplines;

(b) To convene, in accordance with the recommendation of the Conference, a meeting of the Group of Experts on Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Charting to be held at United Nations Headquarters not later than March 1978.

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2056 (LXII). Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Reaffirming its resolve to achieve the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid,*

"Recalling that in its resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and in the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination annexed thereto it called for a continuing effort by all peoples, Governments and institutions to eradicate racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid,*

"Noting that, despite the support given to the Programme for the Decade by the international community, intolerable conditions continue to prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination and the inhuman and odious application of *apartheid* and racial discrimination,

"Reiterating its conviction that a serious threat is posed to international peace and security by the continued defiance by the racist régimes in South Africa and Southern Rhodesia of the resolutions of the General Assembly and of various organs and bodies of the United Nations relating to the policies of *apartheid,* racial discrimination and the illegal occupation of Namibia,

"1. Reaffirms its resolution 31/77 of 13 December 1976 regarding the implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and draws the attention of Member States, international organizations, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the need to respect and implement the provisions of that resolution:

"2. Condemns once again the policies of *apartheid,* racism and racial discrimination which prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination and the inhuman and odious application of *apartheid* and racial discrimination;

"3. Renews its strong support for oppressed peoples struggling to liberate themselves from racism, racial discrimination, *apartheid,* colonialism and alien domination;

"4. Appeals to all States to continue to cooperate with the Secretary-General by submitting their reports, when due, in compliance with the

¹⁶ E/5918.