

their support for the oppressed people of South Africa and to take such measures as will isolate the *apartheid* regime and mobilize world public opinion against *apartheid*;

7. *Notes with satisfaction* the inclusion of Namibia, represented by the United Nations Council for Namibia, in the membership of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 36/121 D of 10 December 1981,¹⁵ and urges the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system which have not yet granted full membership to the United Nations Council for Namibia to do so without delay;

8. *Notes with satisfaction* the arrangements made by several specialized agencies and United Nations institutions which enable representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity to participate fully as observers in the proceedings relating to matters concerning their respective countries, and calls upon those international institutions which have not yet done so to follow this example and make the necessary arrangements without delay, including arrangements to defray the cost of the participation of those representatives;

9. *Recommends* that all Governments should intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system of which they are members to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

10. *Urges* those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have not already done so to include in the agenda of the regular meetings of their governing bodies a separate item on the progress made by those organizations in their implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

11. *Further urges* the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to formulate, with the active co-operation of the Organization of African Unity, and to submit, as a matter of priority, to their governing and legislative organs concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations decisions;

12. *Draws the attention* of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the present resolution and to the discussions on the subject at the second regular session of 1982 of the Council;

13. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on these matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the

Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid* and to report thereon to the Council;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the Council at its second regular session of 1983;

15. *Decides* to keep these questions under continuous review.

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1982/48. Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution ES-7/5 of 26 June 1982,

Recalling further Security Council resolution 512 (1982) of 19 June 1982,

Expressing its deep alarm at the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, which claimed the lives of a very large number of civilian Palestinians,

Gravely concerned at the Israeli destruction in Lebanon of Palestinian camps and other areas heavily inhabited by civilian Palestinians, together with their social and economic structures,

Noting with deep concern the dire need of the Palestinians in Lebanon for urgent humanitarian assistance as a result of the Israeli invasion,

Referring to the humanitarian principles of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,¹⁶ and to the obligations arising from the regulations annexed to the Hague Conventions of 1907,¹⁷

1. *Endorses* General Assembly resolution ES-7/5, in which the Assembly condemned Israel for its non-compliance with Security Council resolutions 508 (1982) of 5 June 1982 and 509 (1982) of 6 June 1982 and stressed its support for victims of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, which inflicted severe damage on the civilian population, including the heavy loss of human lives and social and economic structures;

2. *Calls upon* all Governments to provide, as a matter of urgency, emergency assistance to the Palestinians in Lebanon;

3. *Urges* the relevant programmes, organizations, agencies and organs of the United Nations system to initiate and provide, in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, urgent humanitarian assistance to the Palestinians in Lebanon;

¹⁶ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75, No. 973, p. 287.

¹⁷ See Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, *The Hague Conventions and Declarations of 1899 and 1907* (New York, Oxford University Press, 1915).

¹⁵ See Council decision 1982/110 of 16 April 1982.

4. *Calls upon* Israel to release civilians detained by the Israeli occupation army in Lebanon and to apply fully to the civilians the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War;

5. *Also calls upon* Israel to apply fully the Geneva Conventions to imprisoned combatants;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session and to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983 on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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1982/49. Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, particularly Assembly resolution 36/203 of 17 December 1981 and Council resolution 1981/55 of 22 July 1981,

Recalling also decision 82/27 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,¹⁸

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region,¹⁹

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region;

2. *Expresses its profound gratitude* to the Governments, agencies of the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals that have contributed to the implementation of the recovery, rehabilitation and development programme in the Sahel;

3. *Strongly urges* all Governments to make special efforts to increase the resources of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office through voluntary contributions, so as to enable the Office to respond more fully to the priority requirements of the Governments of the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

4. *Notes with satisfaction* the arrangements made for joint undertakings by several United Nations organs, agencies and programmes with the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office so as to increase their assistance in response to requests from the Governments of the Sudano-Sahelian countries for the implementation of their recovery, rehabilitation and development programmes;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his annual report on this question, to continue to keep the Economic and Social Council informed of the progress achieved in identifying and executing further joint undertakings to enhance the assistance of the United Nations system to the countries members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel.

*49th plenary meeting
28 July 1982*

1982/50. Revitalization of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, containing the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system,

Recalling Council resolutions 1156 (XLI) of 5 August 1966, 1622 (LI) and 1623 (LI) of 30 July 1971, 1768 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 and 1981/83 of 24 July 1981,

Fully aware of the urgent need to revitalize the Council in order to enable it, under the authority of the General Assembly, to exercise effectively its functions and powers as set out in the Charter of the United Nations and in relevant resolutions of the Assembly and the Council.

Reaffirming its desire to continue the process of the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, and recognizing that the revitalization of the Council requires its continuous attention.

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General on the revitalization of the Economic and Social Council,²⁰

Having heard statements by the President of the Economic and Social Council and by Member States on the revitalization of the Council as the principal organ of the United Nations under the Charter in the economic and social fields.

1. *Decides* to adopt, without prejudice to future decisions which the General Assembly or the Council may wish to take, the following measures concerning its programme and organization of work, and its documentation and calendar of meetings:

¹⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1)*, annex I.

¹⁹ A/37/209 and Add.1.

²⁰ E/1982/28.