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draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 42/169 of 11 December 1987 on international decade for natural disaster reduction,

<u>Deeply distressed</u> by the number of afflicted persons and the destruction wrought by hurricane Gilbert which, on 12 September 1988, struck the island of Jamaica,

Conscious of the efforts of the Government and people of Jamaica to save lives and alleviate the sufferings of the victims of the hurricane,

Noting the enormous effort that will be required to alleviate the grave situation caused by this natural disaster,

Conscious also of the prompt response being made by Governments, international agencies, non-governmental organizations and private individuals to provide emergency relief,

Recognizing that the magnitude of the disaster and its long-term effects will require, as a complement to the effort being made by the people and Government of Jamaica, a demonstration of international solidarity and humanitarian concern to ensure broad multilateral co-operation in order to meet the immediate emergency situation in the affected areas, as well as to undertake the process of reconstruction,

- 1. Expresses its solidarity and support to the Government and people of Jamaica:
- 2. Expresses its appreciation to the States, international agencies and non-governmental organizations that are providing emergency relief to that country;
- 3. <u>Calls upon</u> all States to contribute generously to the relief and reconstruction efforts in the affected areas:
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the international financial institutions and the bodies and agencies of the United Nations system, to assist the Government of Jamaica in identifying the emergency, medium-term and long-term needs and in mobilizing resources, as well as helping with the task of reconstruction of the country undertaken by the Government.