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Assistance to Mozambique

The General Assembly,

Recalling the decision of the Government of Mozambique to implement mandatory sanctions against the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968,

Recognizing the substantial economic sacrifices made by Mozambique in the implementation of its decision to enforce sanctions and to close its borders with Southern Rhodesia,

Concerned at the continued acts of aggression committed by the illegal and racist régime in Southern Rhodesia against Mozambique,

Noting with deep concern the loss of life and destruction of essential infrastructure such as roads, railways, bridges, petroleum facilities, electricity supply, schools and hospitals identified in the report of the Secretary-General, 1/ and the extensive damage and destruction suffered subsequent to the preparation of that report, referred to in a statement by the representative of the Government of Mozambique,

1/ A/34/377.

Taking into account the facts that the Committee for Development Planning has recommended that the present list of the least developed countries should stand until the end of the Second United Nations Development Decade and that the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade has not yet been launched,

Recalling Security Council resolution 386 (1976) of 17 March 1976, in which the Council appealed to all States to provide, and requested the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, to organize with immediate effect, financial, technical and material assistance to enable Mozambique to carry out its economic development programme normally and to enhance its capacity to implement fully the United Nations mandatory sanctions,

Recalling further its resolution 31/43 of 1 December 1976, its resolution 32/95 of 13 December 1977 and its resolution 33/126 of 19 December 1978, in which it urged the international community to respond effectively and generously with assistance to Mozambique,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General containing the report of the review mission to Mozambique, 1/

Noting with concern that the economic and financial position of Mozambique remains grave and beset by budget and balance-of-payments deficits and that, in the absence of increased international assistance, the Government will have to reduce major imports that are essential for its development programmes and for restoring industrial production to pre-sanctions 1/ levels,

Recognizing that the drought in 1979 has seriously affected the Government's agricultural programmes and that, despite the international response to this natural disaster, external assistance is still required in the form of food-stuffs,

Taking into account the fact that Mozambique continues to provide asylum for a growing number of refugees who continue to be vulnerable to attack and harassment by the forces of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, and noting the need for additional international assistance for those refugees,

1. Strongly endorses the appeals made by the Security Council and the Secretary-General for international assistance to Mozambique;
2. Endorses fully the assessment and major recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General;
3. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for the measures he has taken to organize an international economic assistance programme for Mozambique;
4. Expresses its appreciation also for the assistance provided thus far to Mozambique by various States and regional and international organizations;
5. Regrets, however, that the total assistance provided to date falls far short of Mozambique's pressing needs;

6. Draws the attention of the international community to the additional financial, economic and material assistance identified in the report of the Secretary-General as urgently required by Mozambique;
7. Calls upon Member States, regional and interregional organizations and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide financial, material and technical assistance to Mozambique, wherever possible in the form of grants, and urges them to give special consideration to the early inclusion of Mozambique in their programmes of development assistance, if it is not already included;
8. Urges Member States and organizations which are already implementing or are negotiating assistance programmes for Mozambique to strengthen them, wherever possible;
9. Draws the attention of the international community to the special account for Mozambique established by the Secretary-General for the purpose of facilitating the channelling of contributions to Mozambique, and urges Member States and international financial institutions to contribute generously to that account;
10. Requests the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system - in particular, the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund - to maintain and increase their current and future programmes of assistance to Mozambique and to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance;
11. Requests all States to grant to Mozambique, in view of its difficult economic situation, the same treatment as that enjoyed by the least developed among the developing countries;
12. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to continue his humanitarian assistance programmes on behalf of refugees in Mozambique, and urges the Member States and the international community to provide him speedily with the necessary means to carry out those programmes;
13. Further requests the appropriate specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to report periodically to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Mozambique;
14. Invites the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies for their consideration the special needs of Mozambique, and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 August 1980;

15. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique;

(b) To continue to ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to mobilize resources and to co-ordinate the international assistance to Mozambique;

(c) To keep the situation in Mozambique under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and international financial institutions and other bodies concerned and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1980, of the current status of the special economic assistance programme for Mozambique;

(d) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Mozambique and the progress made in organizing and implementing the special economic assistance programme for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

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