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## **Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 29 March 2005**

[on the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/59/472/Add.1)]

## **59/281.** Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,

*Recalling* its resolution 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965 and all other relevant resolutions,

Recalling in particular its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

Affirming that the efforts of the United Nations in the peaceful settlement of disputes, including through its peacekeeping operations, are indispensable,

*Convinced* of the need for the United Nations to continue to improve its capabilities in the field of peacekeeping and to enhance the effective and efficient deployment of its peacekeeping operations,

*Considering* the contribution that all States Members of the United Nations make to peacekeeping,

*Noting* the widespread interest in contributing to the work of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations expressed by Member States, in particular troop-contributing countries,

*Bearing in mind* the continuous necessity of preserving the efficiency and strengthening the effectiveness of the work of the Special Committee,

1. Welcomes the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping  $Operations;^{1}$ 

2. *Endorses* the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee, contained in paragraphs 22 to 154 of its report;

3. Urges Member States, the Secretariat and relevant organs of the United Nations to take all necessary steps to implement the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/59/19 and Corr.1. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 19.* 

4. *Reiterates* that those Member States that become personnel contributors to the United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chairman of the Special Committee, become members at the following session of the Special Committee;

5. *Decides* that the Special Committee, in accordance with its mandate, shall continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects and shall review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in this field;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixtieth session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects".

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