

(d) To prepare an updated report on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia, including an annex containing a list of all transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia, to be submitted to the Commission at its eleventh session;

(e) To bring up to date for the eleventh session of the Commission the report of the Secretariat on the responsibilities of home countries with respect to the transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia in violation of the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations.

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25 July 1984

1984/54. Tenth anniversary of the World Food Conference

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition as adopted by the World Food Conference³ and the Programme of Action as adopted by the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development,⁴

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1983/71 of 29 July 1983 and General Assembly resolution 38/158 of 19 December 1983,

Noting with appreciation the documentation prepared for the tenth session of the World Food Council, in particular the report prepared in co-operation with the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat on the global assessment of resource flows through the United Nations system to the food and agriculture sector,⁵ requested by the Economic and Social Council in paragraph 10 of its resolution 1983/77 of 29 July 1983,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the World Food Council on the work of its tenth session,⁶ held at Addis Ababa from 11 to 15 June 1984, endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the Council,⁷ as adopted, and recommends them to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session for consideration;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly, at its thirty-ninth session, should appropriately mark the tenth anniversary of the World Food Conference, held at Rome from 5 to 16 November 1974, taking into ac-

³ *Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. I.

⁴ See Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, *Report of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development, Rome, 12-20 July 1979* (WCARRD/REP), part one.

⁵ WFC/1984/9.

⁶ WFC/1984/14; for the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 19* (A/39/19).

⁷ WFC/1984/14, part one.

count the ten-year assessment of the world food economy carried out by the World Food Council.⁸

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1984/55. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the interna- tional institutions associated with the United Nations

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General⁹ and the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council¹⁰ concerning the question of the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

Having heard the statements of 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 representative of the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid*,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other resolutions adopted by United Nations bodies on this subject, including in particular Assembly resolution 38/51 of 7 December 1983 and Council resolution 1983/42 of 25 July 1983,

Reaffirming the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to take all effective measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to ensure the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies,

Noting with deep concern that the situation in southern Africa continues to present a serious threat to peace and security as a result of South Africa's intensified and ruthless repression, its policy and practice of *apartheid* and other gross violations of the human rights of the peoples of Namibia and South Africa and its armed aggression and military, political and economic destabilization directed against independent States in the region,

Deeply conscious of the continuing critical need of the people of Namibia and their national liberation movement, the South West Africa People's Organization, for concrete assistance from the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations in their struggle for liberation from

⁸ *Ibid.*, paras. 2-14.

⁹ A/39/293.

¹⁰ E/1984/123.

the illegal occupation of their country by the racist minority régime in South Africa,

Deeply concerned that, while progress has been maintained through the continuing efforts of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the extension of assistance to refugees from southern Africa, the action taken thus far by the organizations and agencies concerned in the provision of assistance generally to the people of Namibia is still far from adequate to meet their urgent and growing needs,

Gravely concerned at the continued collaboration of the International Monetary Fund with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of relevant General Assembly resolutions,

Noting with satisfaction the continuing efforts of the United Nations Development Programme in the extension of assistance to the national liberation movements concerned, and commending the initiative taken by that organization in establishing channels for closer, periodic contacts and consultations between the specialized agencies and United Nations institutions and the Organization of African Unity and the national liberation movements in the formulation of assistance programmes,

Noting further the communiqué issued by the Summit Meeting of the heads of State and Government of the Front-line States and leaders of liberation movements, held at Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania, on 29 April 1984,¹¹

Bearing in mind the Bangkok Declaration and Programme of Action adopted by the United Nations Council for Namibia at its 424th meeting, held at Bangkok on 25 May 1984,¹²

1. *Takes note* of the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council and endorses the observations and suggestions contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* that the recognition by the General Assembly, the Security Council and other United Nations organs of the legitimacy of the struggle of colonial peoples to exercise their right to self-determination and independence entails, as a corollary, the extension by the United Nations system of organizations of all the necessary moral and material assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories and their national liberation movements;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have continued to co-operate in varying degrees with the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies, and urges all the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Na-

tions system to accelerate the full and speedy implementation of the relevant provisions of those resolutions;

4. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in the light of the intensification of the liberation struggle in Namibia, to do everything possible as a matter of urgency to render increased assistance to the people of Namibia, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations Council for Namibia, in particular in connection with the Nationhood Programme for Namibia;

5. *Also requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to continue to take, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council, all necessary measures to withhold any financial, economic, technical or other assistance to the Government of South Africa until that Government restores to the people of Namibia their inalienable right to self-determination and independence, and to refrain from taking any action which might imply recognition of, or support for, the illegal occupation of Namibia by that régime;

6. *Further requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council on the *apartheid* policy of the Government of South Africa, to intensify their support for the oppressed people of South Africa and to take such measures as will totally isolate the *apartheid* régime and mobilize world public opinion against *apartheid*;

7. *Condemns* the latest attempts being made by the Government of South Africa to circumvent the implementation of the United Nations plan for the independence of Namibia, approved by the Security Council in its resolution 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978;

8. *Deeply deplores* the persistent collaboration of the International Monetary Fund with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of repeated General Assembly resolutions to the contrary, and urgently calls upon the Fund to put an end to such collaboration;

9. *Recommends* that a separate item on assistance to national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity should be included in the agenda of future high-level meetings of the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity and the secretariats of the United Nations and other organizations within the United Nations system, with a view to strengthening further the existing measures for co-ordination of action to ensure the best use of available resources for assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories;

10. *Notes with satisfaction* the inclusion of Namibia, represented by the United Nations Council for Namibia, in the membership of various agencies and organizations within the United Nations system and urges those which have not yet granted full membership

¹¹ A/AC.115/L.611.

¹² A/39/286-S/16601, annex.

to the United Nations Council for Namibia to do so without delay;

11. *Notes with satisfaction* also 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 proceedings relating to matters concerning their respective countries, and calls upon those international institutions which have not yet done so to follow that example and make the necessary arrangements without delay, including arrangements to defray the costs of the participation of those representatives;

12. *Recommends* that all States 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;

13. *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;

14. *Also 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;

15. *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 1984 of the Economic and Social Council;

16. *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;

17. *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 1985;

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

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1984/56. Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 38/145 of 19 December 1983,

Recalling also Council resolution 1983/43 of 25 July 1983,

Noting the need to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people,

Noting also the oral report made by the representative of the Secretary-General before the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee of the Council on 9 July 1984, concerning the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people held at Geneva on 5 and 6 July 1984 in response to General Assembly resolution 38/145,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people;¹³

2. *Expresses its thanks* to the Secretary-General for convening the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 38/145;

3. *Regards* such a meeting as a valuable opportunity to assess progress in economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people and to explore ways and means of enhancing such assistance;

4. *Draws the attention* of the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the need to ensure that their aid to the occupied Palestinian territories is disbursed only for the benefit of the Palestinian people and is not used in any manner to serve the interests of the Israeli occupation authorities;

5. *Requests* the competent programmes, organizations, agencies and organs of the United Nations system to intensify their efforts, in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people;

6. *Also requests* that United Nations assistance to the Palestinians in the Arab host countries should be rendered in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization and with the consent of the Arab host Government concerned;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fortieth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the provision of assistance to the Palestinian people.

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¹³ A/39/265-E/1984/77