

Relief Co-ordinator, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Programme and other organs and organizations of the United Nations system, as well as the invaluable support of non-governmental organizations,

*Noting further that, despite the generous assistance offered to the Government of Ethiopia by Member States, organs and organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies, enormous difficulties of relief and rehabilitation still persist,*

1. *Takes note of the statement made by the Commissioner for Relief and Rehabilitation of Ethiopia on the extremely critical food situation in the drought-affected regions of Ethiopia;*

2. *Expresses its concern at the difficulties that confront the Government of Ethiopia as a result of the unprecedented drought;*

3. *Notes with appreciation the response made thus far by the international community, organs and organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies to assist the victims of the drought in Ethiopia;*

4. *Appeals to Governments of Member States, organs and organizations of the United Nations system, governmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to intensify and increase urgently their assistance to the Government of Ethiopia for emergency relief and rehabilitation for the victims of the drought, as well as for the recovery of the drought-affected areas of Ethiopia;*

5. *Decides to keep the matter under review.*

*15th plenary meeting  
17 May 1984*

#### **1984/6. Emergency assistance to the drought victims in Djibouti**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having heard the statement made by the representative of Djibouti on the distressing situation of the victims of the prolonged drought in that country,<sup>9</sup>*

*Deeply concerned at the distressing emergency situation of the victims of the drought in Djibouti,*

*Aware of the adverse effects of the prolonged drought on the economic and social development of Djibouti,*

*Aware also of the regional character of the drought currently prevailing in the countries of East Africa,*

*Appreciating the unremitting efforts being made by the Government of Djibouti to meet the growing needs of the victims of the drought, in spite of the slenderness of its economic resources,*

*Recalling the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on assistance in cases of natural disaster, in particular*

*Assembly resolutions 2816 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971 and 2959 (XXVII) of 12 December 1972,*

1. *Takes note of the statement made by the representative of Djibouti on the critical situation of the victims of the drought in that country;*

2. *Appreciates the assistance provided to date by Member States, United Nations organizations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the relief programme for the victims of drought in Djibouti;*

3. *Appeals to Member States, international, governmental and non-governmental organizations and the specialized agencies to contribute generously to help the populations affected by drought in Djibouti by providing, as a matter of urgency, financial, material and technical assistance;*

4. *Requests the Secretary-General to send to Djibouti, as a matter of urgency, after consultation with the Government of Djibouti, an inter-agency mission with the task, in particular, of making a study of the situation in the drought-stricken areas of the country and evaluating the short-term, medium-term and long-term needs of the Government in the face of that situation, and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1984, on the results of that mission and on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.*

*15th plenary meeting  
17 May 1984*

#### **1984/7. Emergency assistance to the drought victims in Somalia**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having heard the statement made by the representative of Somalia on the critical need for emergency assistance to the drought victims in Somalia,<sup>10</sup>*

*Recognizing the alarming situation which is developing in Somalia as a result of successive failures of seasonal rains in several regions of the country,*

*Cognizant of the emergency situation which, as a consequence, has overtaken the entire country, posing the severe threat of mass starvation to both people and livestock,*

*Appreciating the ongoing response of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Programme and international voluntary agencies, and the vital bilateral contributions of friendly States,*

*Concerned, nevertheless, that despite those responses the serious food crisis in Somalia continues to escalate,*

1. *Takes note of the statement made by the representative of Somalia;*

<sup>9</sup> See E/1984/SR.15.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*