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UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMME  
FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

Report of the Fourth Committee

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 1984, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its thirty-ninth session the item entitled "United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General" and decided to allocate it to the Fourth Committee.
2. At its 2nd meeting, on 24 September, the Fourth Committee decided to hold a general debate covering agenda items 18, 103, 105 and 12, 106 and 107 on the understanding that individual proposals on matters covered by those items would be considered separately. The Committee held the general debate on these items at its 13th to 18th meetings, between 2 and 12 November.
3. The Fourth Committee considered item 106 at its 12th to 18th meetings, between 30 October and 12 November (see A/C.4/39/SR.12-18).
4. The Fourth Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General relating to the item (A/39/351).
5. At the 16th meeting, on 8 November, the Chairman drew attention to draft resolution A/C.4/39/L.5, submitted by Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, India, Japan, Kenya, Nigeria, Norway, Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United States of America and Zimbabwe.

6. At the 17th meeting, on the same day, the representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution (A/C.4/39/L.5) on the item, on behalf of the sponsors. Subsequently, Colombia, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Lesotho, Liberia, the Netherlands, Romania, Trinidad and Tobago, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela and Zambia became sponsors of the draft resolution.

7. At its 18th meeting, on 12 November, the Fourth Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/39/L.5 without objection (see para. 8).

#### RECOMMENDATION OF THE FOURTH COMMITTEE

8. The Fourth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa, in particular, resolution 38/52 of 7 December 1983,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, 1/ containing an account of the work of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa and the operation of the Programme for the period from 1 October 1983 to 30 September 1984,

Recognizing the valuable assistance rendered by the Programme to the peoples of South Africa and Namibia,

Strongly convinced that the continuation and expansion of the Programme are essential in order to meet the increasing demand for educational and training opportunities by the peoples of South Africa and Namibia,

Fully recognizing the need to provide educational opportunities and counselling to student refugees in a wide variety of professional, cultural, technical and linguistic disciplines, particularly in the areas of development and international co-operation,

1. Endorses the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa;

2. Commends the Secretary-General and the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa for their continued efforts to promote generous contributions to the Programme and to enhance co-operation with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental scholarship agencies;

3. Expresses its appreciation to all those that have supported the Programme by providing contributions, scholarships or places in their educational institutions;

4. Notes with concern that, owing to inflation and rising scholarship costs, contributions and pledges have declined, in real terms, in 1984 from the corresponding figure in 1983;

5. Appeals to all States, institutions, organizations and individuals to offer greater financial and other support to the Programme in order to ensure its continuation and expansion.

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