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AGENDA ITEMS 12 AND 79

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REPORT OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE (A/6584 AND CORR.1)

AGENDA ITEM 82

Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board REPORT OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE (A/6589)

Mr. Silveira da Mota (Brazil), Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee, presented the reports of that Committee and then spoke as follows:

- 1. Mr. SILVEIRA DA MOTA (Brazil), Rapporteur of the Fifth Committee: I have the honour to present the report of the Fifth Committee [A/6584 and Corr.1] concerning items 12 and 79 of the agenda.
- 2. The Fifth Committee has recommended for adoption by the General Assembly two draft resolutions.

The first deals with the scale of assessments of States Members of the United Nations and some specialized agencies. The second requests the Secretary-General to refer to the Executive Heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency the observations on the administrative budgets and procedures contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. I trust that the draft resolutions will find general support in this plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

Pursuant to rule 68 of the rules of procedure, it was decided not to discuss the reports of the Fifth Committee.

- 3. The PRESIDENT: The General Assembly will now consider agenda items 12 and 79. I would draw the attention of the Assembly to the two draft resolutions recommended by the Fifth Committee and contained in its report [A/6584 and Corr.1, para. 35].
- 4. I put to the vote draft resolution A.

Draft resolution A was adopted by 75 votes to 7, with 6 abstentions.

5. The PRESIDENT: We turn now to draft resolution B. In the absence of a request for a vote, may I take it that the General Assembly adopts that draft resolution without any objection?

Draft resolution B was adopted without objection.

6. The FRESIDENT: The next report of the Fifth Committee relates to item 82 of the agenda: report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board [A/6589]. With the consent of the Assembly we shall proceed to take a decision on the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee [A/6589, para. 5].

The draft resolution was adopted by 78 votes to none, with 10 abstentions.

AGENDA ITEM 47

World campaign for universal literacy

REPORT OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (A/6592)

Mr. Reisch (Austria), Rapporteur of the Second Committee, presented the report of that Committee and then spoke as follows:

7. Mr. REISCH (Austria), Rapporteur of the Second Committee: On this item the Committee had the honour of hearing statements by Her Imperial Highness Princess Achraf Pahlavi of Iran and, further, had before it a draft resolution introduced by her on the subject. In the Committee, a number of amendments were proposed, and a revised version of the

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draft resolution was introduced and after debate unanimously adopted in the Committee.

8. The draft resolution recommended for adoption by the Assembly [A. 6592, para, 8] endorses in its operative part the Economic and Social Council resolution on the world campaign for universal literacy, invites Member States, international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, foundations and so on to provide effective financial, material and technical support for the campaign for universal literacy; expresses the hope that additional resources might be made available to UNESCO for implementing this campaign; and, further, makes an urgent appeal to the conscience of the world to support world-wide efforts to eliminate mass illiteracy by providing the necessary and indispensable means to this end. I hope this draft resolution will be adopted unanimously also by the General Assembly.

Pursuant to rule 68 of the rules of procedure, it was decided not to discuss the report of the Second Committee.

9. The PRESIDENT: The draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee [A 6592, para. 8] was adopted unanimously in that Committee. May I take it that the General Assembly also adopts it unanimously?

The draft resolution was adopted unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 22

Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity: report of the Secretary-General

- 10. Mr. MOHALE (Lesotho): I have the honour to introduce a draft resolution [A/L.508], on behalf of the African group. This draft resolution, which relates to the report of the Secretary-General [A/6408] is a simple procedural draft resolution since it requests the General Assembly to take note of the Secretary-General's report, but members of the African group deem it necessary because they want to express their appreciation for the efforts of the Secretary-General in implementing the objectives of resolution 2011 (XX), by which the General Assembly stated its desire to promote co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity.
- 11. On behalf of the African group, I wish to thank most sincerely the Secretary-General for his efforts. Because of a number of problems threatening the peace of our continent and of the world, we in the Organization of African Unity are bound to seek the closest co-operation with the United Nations, persuaded that its Charter provides a solid foundation for a peaceful settlement of those problems. For the most urgent issues of South Africa, South West Africa and Southern Rhodesia, the Organization of African Unity has constantly sought appropriate international action, not only because it believes in the solidarity of all mankind but also because the aspirations of the African peoples, concerned for freedom, justice and dignity, are consistent with the Purposes and Principles of the United Nations Charter.
- 12. The Organization of African Unity seeks cooperation with the United Nations not only regarding

the maintenance of peace and security but also in many other fields. The Secretary-General's report deals with the various forms and the achievements of co-operation between the two organizations. We welcome, more particularly, the efforts made by both the Organization of African Unity and the Economic Commission for Africa for the most needed social and economic development of Africa. As a young organization, the Organization of African Unity is willing to take advantage of the experience of the United Nations, and this, we trust, can be achieved through closer co-operation between the two organizations, especially regarding technical co-operation.

- 13. For this reason we think it would be appropriate for the General Assembly to invite the Secretary-General to continue his efforts, particularly with respect to the liaison and technical co-operation between the Secretariat of the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity. We think that the General Assembly is willing to strengthen relations between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity as well as between the United Nations and all other regional organizations. Therefore we trust that the draft resolution before the Assembly will be supported unanimously.
- 14. The PRESIDENT: With the consent of the Members of the General Assembly, we shall proceed to take a decision on draft resolution A/L.508.
- 15. In the absence of a request for vote, may I take it that the General Assembly adopts the draft resolution unanimously?

The draft resolution was adopted unanimously.

- 16. The PRESIDENT: I call on the representative of India in explanation of vote.
- 17. Mr. PARTHASARATHI (India): The General Assembly, at its twentieth session, adopted resolution 2011 (XX) entitled "Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity". This resolution, for the first time, established official relations between the two Organizations.
- 18. My delegation, speaking on this item at the last session of the Assembly, expressed its belief that co-operation between the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations would be of mutual advantage. The Organization of African Unity was born out of a deep sentiment of unity which had prevailed in the African continent for many years before the Organization of African Unity came into being in May 1963. The United Nations, which is the older of the two bodies, embodies the universal desire to come together in an effort to tackle problems common to all humanity.
- 19. The period of one year since resolution 2011 (XX) was adopted by the General Assembly has seen the beginnings of active collaboration between the two Organizations. Representatives of the Organization of African Unity have been attending the various Committees of the General Assembly in an observer capacity. The Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity participated in the meetings of the Committee of Twenty-four held in Africa in May and June 1966. He made an important contribution to the work of the Special Committee by

putting forward some concrete suggestions. The Secretary-General of the United Nations, for his part, also designated a representative to attend the third ordinary session of the Heads of State or Government of the Organization of African Unity which was held in November 1966 in Addis Ababa. Already the decisions taken by the Organization of African Unity at its last summit meeting have been taken into account, in dealing with many colonial problems, in the Fourth Committee.

- 20. While these contacts and exchanges have been useful, my delegation believes that there is scope for still closer co-operation between the two Organizations. That is particularly true in the field of decolonization, to which both the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity attach great importance.
- 21. Another field in which the two Organizations can co-operate to their mutual benefit is the denuclearization of Africa. It will be recalled that the General Assembly, at its last session, adopted resolution 2033 (XX), containing a Declaration on the denuclearization of Africa, wherein the Assembly endorsed the declaration on the denuclearization of Africa issued by the Heads of State or Government of African countries. Operative paragraph 9 of the resolution requested the Secretary-General to extend to the Organization of African Unity such facilities

- and assistance as may be requested in order to achieve the aims of the resolution. Again, the organization of the secretariat of a regional body such as the Organization of African Unity requires considerable experience and expertise, which the United Nations is ideally equipped to provide. Similar scope for cooperation between the two Organizations exists in other fields also.
- 22. My delegation has no doubt that the two Organizations will explore all possible avenues of working together. Commendable initiative in this regard has been taken, of which my delegation is deeply appreciative. Let us hope that the coming years will witness a further growth in this co-operation since it can only help the cause of international peace and security, to the preservation of which both of these Organizations are dedicated.
- 23. As far as my delegation is concerned, we have offered our full co-operation to the Organization of African Unity in its efforts to rid the African continent of the remaining vestiges of colonialism. My delegation would like to take this opportunity of reiterating its firm support for the principles for which the Organization of African Unity stands. We therefore welcome the resolution which has just been adopted unanimously by the General Assembly.

The meeting rose at 5.35 p.m.