tion of African Unity, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fortieth session:

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled "Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte".

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39/49. Question of Palestine

A

The General Assembly.

Recalling its resolutions 3376 (XXX) of 10 November 1975, 31/20 of 24 November 1976, 32/40 of 2 December 1977, 33/28 of 7 December 1978, 34/65 A and B of 29 November 1979 and 34/65 C and D of 12 December 1979, ES-7/2 of 29 July 1980, 35/169 of 15 December 1980, 36/120 of 10 December 1981, ES-7/4 of 28 April 1982, ES-7/5 of 26 June 1982, ES-7/9 of 24 September 1982, 37/86 A of 10 December 1982 and 38/58 A of 13 December 1983.

Having considered the report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People,⁵³

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People for its efforts in performing the tasks assigned to it by the General Assembly;
- 2. Endorses the recommendations of the Committee contained in paragraphs 155 to 160 of its report and draws the attention of the Security Council to the fact that action on the Committee's recommendations, as repeatedly endorsed by the General Assembly at its thirty-first session and subsequently, is still awaited;
- 3. Requests the Committee to continue to keep under review the situation relating to the question of Palestine as well as the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Achievement of Palestinian Rights⁵⁴ adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine and to report and make suggestions to the General Assembly or the Security Council, as appropriate;
- 4. Authorizes the Committee to continue to exert all efforts to promote the implementation of its recommendations, to send delegations or representatives to international conferences where such representation would be considered by it to be appropriate, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fortieth session and thereafter;
- 5. Requests the Committee to continue to extend its co-operation to non-governmental organizations in their contribution towards heightening international awareness of the facts relating to the question of Palestine;
- 6. Requests the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine, established under General Assembly resolution 194 (III) of 11 December 1948, as well as other United Nations bodies associated with the question of Palestine, to co-operate fully with the Committee and to make available to it, at its request, the relevant information and documentation which they have at their disposal;
- 7. Decides to circulate the report of the Committee to all the competent bodies of the United Nations and urges them to take the necessary action, as appropriate, in accordance with the Committee's programme of implementation;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Committee with all the necessary facilities for the performance of its tasks.

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В

The General Assembly.

Having considered the report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.⁵³

Noting the particularly relevant information contained in paragraphs 125 to 132 of that report,

Recalling its resolutions 32/40 B of 2 December 1977, 33/28 C of 7 December 1978, 34/65 D of 12 December 1979, 35/169 D of 15 December 1980, 36/120 B of 10 December 1981, 37/86 B of 10 December 1982 and 38/58 B of 13 December 1983,

- 1. Notes with appreciation the action taken by the Secretary-General in compliance with General Assembly resolution 38/58 B;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat continues to discharge the tasks detailed in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 32/40 B, paragraph 2 (b) of resolution 34/65 D, paragraph 3 of resolution 36/120 B and paragraphs 2 and 3 of resolution 38/58 B, in consultation with the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and under its guidance;
- 3. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure the continued co-operation of the Department of Public Information and other units of the Secretariat in enabling the Division for Palestinian Rights to perform its tasks and in covering adequately the various aspects of the question of Palestine;
- 4. Invites all Governments and organizations to lend their co-operation to the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People and the Division for Palestinian Rights in the performance of their tasks;
- 5. Notes with appreciation the action taken by Member States to observe annually on 29 November the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People and the issuance by them of special postage stamps for the occasion.

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People,⁵³

Noting, in particular, the information contained in paragraphs 133 to 142 of that report,

Recalling its resolution 38/58 E of 13 December 1983,

Convinced that the world-wide dissemination of accurate and comprehensive information and the role of non-governmental organizations and institutions remain of

⁵³ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 35 (A/39/35).

⁵⁴ Report of the International Conference on the Question of Palestine, Geneva, 29 August-7 September 1983 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.1.21), chap. I, sect. B.

vital importance in heightening awareness of and support for the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to selfdetermination and to the establishment of an independent sovereign Palestinian State,

- 1. Notes with appreciation the action taken by the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat in compliance with General Assembly resolution 38/58 E;
- Requests that the Department of Public Information, in full co-operation and co-ordination with the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, should:
- (a) Continue the implementation of all parts of General Assembly resolution 38/58 E;
- (b) Disseminate all information on the activities of the United Nations system relating to Palestine;
- (c) Expand and update publications and audio-visual material on the facts and developments pertaining to the question of Palestine:
- (d) Publish newsletters and articles in its relevant publications on Israeli violations of the human rights of the Arab inhabitants of the occupied territories;
- (e) Organize fact-finding missions to the area for journalists;
- (f) Organize regional and national encounters for journalists.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/58 C of 13 December 1984, in which it, inter alia, endorsed the convening of an International Peace Conference on the Middle East,

Reaffirming paragraph 5 of its resolution 38/58 C. in which it requested the Secretary-General to undertake preparatory measures to convene the Conference,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General of 13 March 1984⁵⁵ and 13 September 1984, ⁵⁶ in which he stated that, inter alia, "it is clear from the replies of the Governments of Israel and the United States of America that they are not prepared to participate in the proposed Conference",57

Reiterating its conviction that the convening of the Conference would constitute a major contribution by the United Nations towards the achievement of a comprehensive, just and lasting solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict,

- 1. Takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General;
- 2. Reaffirms its endorsement of the call for convening the International Peace Conference on the Middle East in conformity with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 38/58 C;
- Expresses its regret at the negative response of the two Governments and calls upon them to reconsider their position towards the Conference;
- 4. Urges all Governments to make additional constructive efforts and to strengthen their political will in

order to convene the Conference without delay and for the achievement of its peaceful objectives;

- 5. Requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Security Council, to continue his efforts with a view to convening the Conference and to report thereon to the General Assembly not later than 15 March 1985;58
- 6. Decides to consider at its fortieth session the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the present resolution.

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39/50. Question of Namibia

A

SITUATION IN NAMIBIA RESULTING FROM THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF THE TERRITORY BY SOUTH AFRICA

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia⁵⁹ and the relevant chapters of the report 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,60

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Recalling, in particular, its resolutions 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966 and 2248 (S-V) of 19 May 1967 and subsequent resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council relating to Namibia, as well as the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice of 21 June 1971,61 delivered in response to the request addressed to it by the Security Council in its resolution 284 (1970) of 29 July 1970,

Recalling also its resolutions 3111 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973 and 31/146 and 31/152 of 20 December 1976, by which it, inter alia, recognized the South West Africa People's Organization as the sole and authentic representative of the Namibian people and granted observer status to it.

Recalling further its resolutions ES-8/2 of 14 September 1981 and 36/121 B of 10 December 1981, by which it called upon States to cease forthwith, individually and collectively, all dealings with South Africa in order totally to isolate it politically, economically, militarily and culturally,

Taking note of Security Council resolutions 532 (1983) of 31 May 1983 and 539 (1983) of 28 October 1983,

Noting also the Final Communiqué of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, held at New Delhi from 23 to 29 November 1983,62 the resolution on Namibia adopted by the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its fortieth ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 27 February to 5 March 1984,63 the Final Communiqué of the Summit Meeting of the Front-line States, held at Arusha, United Republic of

⁵⁵ A/39/130-S/16409. For the printed text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1984, document S/16409.
56 A/39/130/Add.1-S/16409/Add.1. For the printed text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for July. August and September 1984, document S/16409/Add.1.
57 Ibid., para. 4.

Ibid., para. 4. 58 The report was issued under the symbol A/40/168-S/17014. For the printed text, see Official Records of the Security Council, Fortieth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1985, document S/17014.

⁵⁹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 24 (A/39/24).

⁶⁰ Ibid., Supplement No. 23 (A/39/23).

⁶¹ Legal Consequences for States of the Continued Presence of South Africa in Namibia (South West Africa) notwithstanding Security Council Resolution 276 (1970), Advisory Opinion, I.C.J. Reports, 1971, p. 16.

⁶² See A/38/707-S/16206, annex. 63 A/39/207, annex, resolution CM/Res.934 (XL).