

Recovery and Development 1986-1990, and 43/27 of 18 November 1988 on the mid-term review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme,

Recalling also the Kilimanjaro Programme of Action for African Population and Self-Reliant Development³¹ adopted by the Second African Population Conference and endorsed by the Economic Commission for Africa,³²

Noting with satisfaction the activities carried out in the field of population by the organizations of the United Nations system, as reported by the Secretary-General,³³ and especially the priority given by the United Nations Population Fund to African countries in view of the serious economic and social problems they face,

Reaffirming the need for technical assistance and financial resources for training additional personnel in African countries so as to ensure that those countries are able to effectively implement policies to harmonize population growth with economic and environmental capacities,

1. *Welcomes* the proposed programme of work for the biennium 1990-1991 in technical co-operation in the field of population;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the continued availability of funds for technical co-operation in the field of population, particularly for fellowships for training at the United Nations-supported Cairo Demographic Centre, the Regional Institute for Population Studies at Accra, the Institut de formation et de recherche démographiques at Yaoundé and other United Nations demographic centres and programmes serving African countries;

3. *Requests* the organizations of the United Nations system to give priority to population needs and problems in Africa in accordance with the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990.

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1989/95. 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

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General³⁴ and the report of the President of the

Economic and Social Council³⁵ 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 made by 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 by 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 General Assembly resolution 43/30 of 22 November 1988 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/53 of 26 July 1988,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 43/26 of 17 November 1988 on the question of Namibia and 43/50 of 5 December 1988 on the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa,

Reaffirming the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to take all effective measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to assist in the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies,

Noting with satisfaction the emplacement on 1 April 1989 of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group in Namibia, under the terms of Security Council resolution 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978,

Deeply concerned that the objectives of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration have not been fully achieved,

Noting with deep concern that South Africa's practice of *apartheid* and acts of destabilization against the front-line and neighbouring States continue to present a serious threat to international peace and security,

Strongly condemning the continuing policy of *apartheid* of South Africa, its breach of the obligations assumed by it under the Charter of the United Nations and its persistent non-compliance with the relevant United Nations resolutions and decisions,

Reaffirming that the denial of full political and civil rights to the majority of the population of South Africa is the result of the continuation of a colonial situation in that country,

Deeply conscious of the continuing critical need of the people of Namibia for concrete assistance from the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, particularly during the transition to independence and immediately after independence,

³¹ E/CONF.76/6, annex V.

³² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1984, Supplement No. 11 (E/1984/21)*, chap. IV, resolution 506 (XIX).

³³ See E/1989/11 and E/CN.9/1989/4 and Add.1.

³⁴ A/44/297 and Add.1.

³⁵ E/1989/112 and Add.1.

Expressing its appreciation to the Organization of African Unity for convening in August 1988 the International Conference on the Plight of Refugees, Returnees and Displaced Persons in Southern Africa, and profoundly aware of the plight of the peoples concerned and their critical need for international assistance,

Noting with appreciation that assistance has continued to be extended to refugees from southern Africa through the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,

Noting with satisfaction the continuing efforts of the United Nations Development Programme in extending assistance to Namibia and the national liberation movement 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 movement in the formulation of assistance programmes,

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 Namibia and South Africa and their national liberation movements;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system that 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 of the United Nations system, in particular the World Bank, the International Finance Corporation and the International Monetary Fund, to contribute to the full and speedy implementation of the relevant provisions of those resolutions;

4. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, as a matter of urgency, to render increased assistance to the people of Namibia during the transition to independence, in close co-operation with the United Nations Transition Assistance Group, and immediately after independence, and in particular requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to continue to facilitate the repatriation, rehabilitation and resettlement of all Namibian refugees and returnees, in order to enable them to participate fully and freely in the electoral process under the terms of the United Nations plan for the

independence of Namibia set out in Security Council resolution 435 (1978);

5. *Also requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, in view of the deteriorating situation in South Africa and the acts of destabilization by the *apartheid* régime against States in the region, to increase their assistance to the frontline and neighbouring States and to the liberation movements in South Africa;

6. *Further requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations of 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 from the Government of South Africa until it complies with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations and to refrain from taking any action that might imply support for or endorsement of the repressive policy and practice of *apartheid* pursued by the racist régime against the people of South Africa and its policy of destabilizing neighbouring African States;

7. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council on the policies of *apartheid* 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*;

8. *Deeply deplores* the financial and other links of certain international organizations with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of repeated General Assembly resolutions, and urgently calls upon those organizations to put an end to such links;

9. *Notes with satisfaction* the arrangements made by several specialized agencies and United Nations institutions that enable representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and other regional organizations concerned to participate fully as observers in proceedings relating to matters concerning their countries, and calls upon those international institutions that have not yet done so to make such arrangements without delay, including arrangements to defray the cost of the participation of those representatives;

10. *Recommends* that all States intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration and other related resolutions of United Nations bodies;

11. *Urges* the governing bodies of those specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system that have not already done so to include in the agenda of their regular sessions a separate item on the progress made and action to be taken by their organiza-

tion in the implementation of the Declaration and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

12. *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 other regional organizations concerned, concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations resolutions and to submit the proposals as a matter of priority to their governing and legislative organs;

13. *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 and the Special Committee against *Apartheid* to the present resolution and to the discussion held on the subject at the second regular session of 1989 of the Economic and Social Council;

14. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue to maintain close contact 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;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution, with particular attention to co-ordination and integration arrangements for maximizing the efficiency of the assistance activities undertaken by various organizations of the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the Council at its second regular session of 1990;

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

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1989/96. Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 43/178 of 20 December 1988,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/54 of 26 July 1988,

Taking into account the *intifadah* of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory against the Israeli occupation, including its economic and social policies and practices,

Affirming that the Palestinian people cannot develop their national economy as long as the Israeli occupation persists,

Gravely concerned at the serious repercussions, especially for Palestinian children, of Israeli practices, in particular the prolonged blanket closure in the West Bank of Palestinian institutions of learning, including kindergartens, schools operated by the United Nations

Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and other schools,

Rejecting Israeli restrictions on external economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory,

Aware of the increasing need to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people,

Noting with regret that a full report on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 43/178 has not been prepared,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the States, United Nations bodies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations that have provided assistance to the Palestinian people;

2. *Requests* the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to sustain and increase their assistance to the Palestinian people, in close co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization;

3. *Requests* the United Nations Children's Fund and other appropriate United Nations bodies to address the special needs of Palestinian children suffering from Israeli practices and their repercussions;

4. *Calls* for the immediate reopening of all Palestinian institutions of learning;

5. *Also calls* for the immediate lifting of Israeli restrictions and obstacles hindering the implementation of assistance projects by the United Nations Development Programme, other United Nations bodies and others providing economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory;

6. *Further calls* for the implementation of development projects in the occupied Palestinian territory, including the facilitation by all concerned of the establishment of the cement plant referred to in General Assembly resolution 39/223 of 18 December 1984;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report in full on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 43/178 and the present resolution to the Assembly at its forty-fourth session.

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1989/97. Programme questions

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council,¹⁶

Noting the importance of the additional responsibilities in the budget process assigned to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986,

¹⁶ E/5715/Rev.1 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.I.9).