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SPECIAL ECONOMIC AND DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE:
SPECIAL PROGRAMMES OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bolivia, Canada, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Mauritania, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Tunisia, Uruguay, Venezuela and Yugoslavia; draft resolution

Special Plan of Economic Co-operation for Central America

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 42/1 of 7 October 1987, 42/204 of 11 December 1987, 42/210 of 17 December 1987, 43/24 of 15 November 1988 and 44/10 of 23 October 1989, as well as decision 88/31 of 1 July 1988 and resolution 89/64 of 30 June 1989 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,

Recalling in particular its resolutions 42/231 of 12 May 1988 and 43/210 of 20 December 1988, in which it urged the international community and international organizations to increase their technical, economic and financial co-operation with the Central American countries within the framework of the Special Plan of Economic Co-operation for Central America,

Welcoming with satisfaction the commitments made by the Central American Presidents at Guatemala City in the Esquipulas II Agreement, the declarations of Alajuela, Costa Rica, and Costa del Sol, El Salvador, and, in particular, the agreements reached at Tela, Honduras, which represented concrete progress and strengthened the peace process in the region,

Also welcoming with satisfaction the convening of the first meeting between the Governments of Central America and co-operating Governments and institutions, which took place in Geneva from 4 to 6 July 1989, to review the evolution of the regional development process with regard to assistance and co-operation requirements, including the discussion of programmes and projects that could be implemented in accordance with General Assembly resolution 43/210,

Stressing the need to encourage sectoral meetings for the purpose of mobilizing resources for the implementation of programmes and projects within the framework of the Special Plan,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the situation in Central America and on the work done to promote the Special Plan and, in particular, his report on the work of the Organization ^{1/} in which he stated that "the time has now come to buttress the emerging peace by providing the massive support that the region needs to overcome its age-old problems",

Deeply concerned about the emergency situation in Central America and alarmed at the seriousness of the economic and social crisis that it faces,

Reaffirming its conviction that peace, development and democracy are inseparable,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his reports on the situation in Central America and for the efforts that he has made to promote the Special Plan of Economic Co-operation for Central America;

2. Welcomes with satisfaction the Political Declaration and the Joint Economic Communiqué adopted at the Fifth Ministerial Conference of the countries of Central America, the European Community and the Contadora Group held at San Pedro Sula, Honduras, on 27 and 28 February 1989, in which they reaffirmed their commitment to and interest in continuing to participate in specific activities and in the reactivation and economic development of the region in accordance with the priorities established in the Special Plan;

3. Welcomes the Final Declaration and Plan of Action adopted by the International Conference on Central American Refugees held at Guatemala City from 29 to 31 May 1989;

4. Welcomes with satisfaction the convening in Geneva of the first meeting between the Governments of Central America and co-operating Governments and institutions, at which the evolution of the regional development process, including the region's assistance and co-operation requirements were reviewed within the framework of the Special Plan;

^{1/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/44/1).

5. Recommends the convening of sectoral meetings during 1990, in continuation of the process already begun between the Governments of Central America and the co-operating Governments and institutions, to examine the possibility of mobilizing additional resources for the early implementation of programmes and projects within the framework of the Special Plan;
6. Urges Members States and observers, intergovernmental organizations, international financial institutions, the organs and organizations of the United Nations system and regional and subregional organs and agencies, taking into account the emergency situation faced by the Central American countries, to participate actively and to adopt immediate measures for the implementation of the activities in support of the goals and objectives of the Special Plan;
7. Emphasizes the urgent need to provide the Central American countries with financial resources on concessional and favourable terms, in addition to those which they are already receiving from the international community;
8. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report on the progress made in the implementation of the Special Plan to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session;
9. Decides to review and evaluate the progress in the implementation of the Special Plan at its forty-fifth session.
