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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS  
WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

Report of the Sixth Committee

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1. At its 2237th plenary meeting, on 21 September 1974, the General Assembly included the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country" 1/ in the agenda of its twenty-ninth session and allocated it to the Sixth Committee for consideration and report.
2. The Sixth Committee considered this item at its 1511th to 1514th meetings, on 2 and 3 December, and its 1517th and 1519th meetings, on 5 and 6 December 1974. At the 1511th meeting, the Chairman of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country introduced the report of the Committee.
3. At the 1517th meeting, on 5 December, the representative of Cyprus introduced a draft resolution (A/C.6/L.1012) on the report of the Committee sponsored by Bulgaria, Cyprus and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, later joined by Senegal.
4. At the 1519th meeting, the representative of Costa Rica proposed an oral amendment to the draft resolution. The amendment would insert the word "some" before the words "missions accredited to" in operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution.
5. At the same meeting, the Sixth Committee adopted without objection the amendment proposed by Costa Rica. At the same meeting, it adopted the draft resolution, as amended, by consensus (see para. 6 below).

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/9626). Under item 94, the Committee also considered communications submitted by Cuba and the United States of America (A/C.6/429 and A/C.6/432, respectively).

RECOMMENDATION OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE

6. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, 2/

Drawing attention to its resolutions 2747 (XXV) of 17 December 1970, 2819 (XXVI) of 15 December 1971, 3033 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 and 3107 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973, in which it urged the Government of the host country to make certain that the measures taken to ensure the protection and security of permanent missions to the United Nations and their personnel were adequate to enable those missions to perform properly the functions entrusted to them by their Governments,

Recalling the responsibilities of the Government of the host country with respect to the United Nations and the missions accredited to it, their personnel and their correspondence under the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations, 3/ the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations 4/ and general international law,

Recalling the duty of missions accredited to the United Nations and their personnel to respect the laws and regulations of the host country,

Considering that the problems related to the privileges and immunities of the United Nations and to the status of the missions accredited to it are of mutual concern to Member States of the Organization, including the host country, as well as to the Secretary-General.

Noting the recommendations of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country, contained in paragraph 88 of its report,

Taking note of the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country,

1. Expresses its deep concern at incidents which have taken place at some missions accredited to the United Nations and which have involved the personnel of these missions;

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2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/9626).

3/ General Assembly resolution 169 (II).

4/ General Assembly resolution 22 A (I).

2. Strongly condemns any acts of violence against the premises of missions and their personnel as fundamentally incompatible with the status of such missions and personnel under international law;

3. Urges the host country to exert all-round efforts in order to take all the necessary measures and ensure their effective implementation for the purpose of guaranteeing adequate security for missions and their personnel and creating normal conditions for the functioning of missions to the United Nations;

4. Urges the host country to take all necessary measures to apprehend, prosecute and punish those guilty of criminal acts against missions and their personnel;

5. Urges the host country to continue to implement fully and effectively its Act for the Protection of Foreign Officials and Official Guests of the United States 5/ and, in particular, to take all appropriate enforcement and preventive measures to make certain that demonstration and picketing, especially where there is reason to believe that they may be accompanied by violence or may prevent the conduct of normal business of missions to the United Nations, are held in conformity with this law and closely monitored by the police to prevent any acts of violence against the missions accredited to the United Nations and their personnel;

6. Notes the difficulties which diplomatic missions and their personnel encounter from time to time when parking their automobiles, and the need to maintain public safety;

7. Appeals to the host country to review the measures with regard to the parking of diplomatic vehicles with a view to facilitating the desires and needs of the diplomatic community and to consider terminating the practice of serving summonses to diplomats;

8. Welcomes the diplomatic community's readiness to co-operate fully with the local authorities in solving traffic problems;

9. Requests all members of the diplomatic community to respect the laws and regulations of the host country;

10. Believes that the host country, the Secretariat, the diplomatic community and the organizations concerned should in every way seek the improvement of relations and the promotion of mutual understanding between the diplomatic community and the local population in order to ensure conditions conducive to the effective functioning of the United Nations and the missions accredited to it;

11. Notes with appreciation the efforts of the host country, the New York City community and the New York City Commission for the United Nations and for the

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5/ United States Public Law 92-539 (see A/8871/Rev.1).

Consular Corps to accommodate the needs, interests and requirements of the diplomatic community and to provide hospitality;

12. Decides to continue the work of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country in 1975, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI), with the purpose of examining all matters falling within its terms of reference;

13. Requests the Secretary-General to provide all necessary assistance to the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and to call its attention to issues of mutual concern relating to the implementation of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations and the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations.

14. Requests the Committee on Relations with the Host Country to submit to the General Assembly, at its thirtieth session, a report on the progress of its work and to make, if it deems it necessary, appropriate recommendations.

15. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country".

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