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SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION  
WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION  
OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING  
OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES  
AND PEOPLES

QUESTION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINAS)

Resolution adopted by the Special Committee at its  
1285th meeting on 9 August 1985

The Special Committee,

Having considered the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

Aware that the maintenance of colonial situations is incompatible with the United Nations ideal of universal peace,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, 2065 (XX) of 16 December 1965, 3160 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 31/49 of 1 December 1976, 37/9 of 4 November 1982, 38/12 of 16 November 1983 and 39/6 of 1 November 1984 and its resolutions A/AC.109/756 of 1 September 1983 and A/AC.109/793 of 20 August 1984 and Security Council resolutions 502 (1982) of 3 April 1982 and 505 (1982) of 26 May 1982,

Distressed that, notwithstanding the time that has elapsed since the adoption of resolution 2065 (XX), this prolonged dispute has not yet been settled,

Aware of the interest of the international community in the resumption by the Governments of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of their negotiations in order to find as soon as possible a peaceful, just and lasting solution to the sovereignty dispute relating to the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

Reaffirming the principles of the Charter of the United Nations on the non-use of force or the threat of force in international relations and the peaceful settlement of international disputes,

Noting with concern that the militarization of the area by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is detrimental to the climate of confidence that should prevail for the resumption of negotiations,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,

Calling attention to the importance of the Secretary-General continuing his efforts to give full effect to the mission entrusted to him by General Assembly resolutions 37/9, 38/12 and 39/6,

Reaffirming the need for the parties to take due account of the interests of the population of the islands in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 2065 (XX), 3160 (XXVIII), 37/9, 38/12 and 39/6,

1. Reiterates that the way to put an end to the special and particular colonial situation in the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) is the peaceful and negotiated settlement of the dispute over sovereignty between the Governments of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

2. Takes note with satisfaction of the fact that the Government of the Argentine Republic has reiterated its intention to comply with the General Assembly resolutions referring to the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas);

3. Expresses regret that the resumption of the negotiations recommended by the General Assembly has not yet taken place, owing to the refusal of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to deal with the question of sovereignty within the framework of comprehensive negotiations;

4. Urges the Governments of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume negotiations in order to find as soon as possible a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute relating to the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas), in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 2065 (XX), 3160 (XXVIII), 31/49, 37/9, 38/12 and 39/6;

5. Reiterates its firm support for the renewed mission of good offices undertaken by the Secretary-General in order to assist the parties in complying with the request made in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolutions 37/9, 38/12 and 39/6;

6. Decides to keep under review the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) subject to any directives that the General Assembly may issue in that regard at its fortieth session.

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