

Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator,

Having heard the statement made by the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Emergency in Northern Iran before the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee on 11 July 1990 on his mission to the Islamic Republic of Iran,

Deeply touched by the large number of casualties and homeless and the extent of devastation caused by the earthquake in June 1990,

Aware of the remarkable efforts of the Government and people of the Islamic Republic of Iran to save lives and alleviate the suffering of the victims of the earthquake,

Aware also of the enormous efforts required for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the affected areas, as well as the importance of international co-operation in that regard,

Noting with appreciation the prompt response of Governments, the United Nations system, voluntary organizations and individuals in providing emergency relief assistance to the victims of the earthquake,

1. *Expresses its solidarity* with and support for the Government and people of the Islamic Republic of Iran in this tragic situation;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States, international organizations and agencies that provided or are providing relief assistance;

3. *Commends* the prompt decision of the Secretary-General in appointing a Special Representative for the Emergency in Northern Iran and expresses appreciation for his efforts in mobilizing and co-ordinating international assistance;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to intensify his endeavours to mobilize every possible assistance to help the Government and people of the Islamic Republic of Iran in their efforts towards the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the stricken areas;

5. *Appeals* to all Governments, specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, as well as to voluntary organizations, to provide the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran with all possible assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the stricken areas;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session an assessment of the damage and the requirements for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the affected areas.

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1990/65. Assistance to the Republic of Yemen

The Economic and Social Council,

Welcoming the establishment of the Republic of Yemen and bearing in mind the considerable burden involved in the reconstruction of its economic and social institutions, including health, educational and vocational institutions in the two former States,

Taking into account that the Republic of Yemen, as one of the least developed countries, is unable to shoulder the burden of its reconstruction and rehabilitation programmes, in spite of the endeavours of the Government,

Taking into account the requirements to enable the Republic of Yemen to rebuild the country's infrastructure, particularly roads, health centres, schools, water and electricity supply lines, communication networks and other public services, and to reconstruct the villages and reclaim the thousands of hectares of cultivated land that were totally destroyed or swept away during the floods in April 1989,

Noting with appreciation the support provided by various States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations for emergency relief operations,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 37/150 and 37/166 of 17 December 1982, Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/1 of 10 May 1989, resolution 176 (XV) adopted on 18 May 1989 by the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia at its fifteenth session,¹⁴ decision 89/37 adopted on 30 June 1989 by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its thirty-sixth session,¹⁵ and resolution WHA 42.15 adopted on 17 May 1989 by the Forty-second World Health Assembly,¹⁶

Noting the study prepared by the World Bank concerning the requirements for the rehabilitation of the infrastructure that was destroyed by the floods in the country,

1. *Calls upon* all States to contribute generously and respond effectively to the country's reconstruction and rehabilitation needs;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to co-ordinate the efforts made by the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to assist the Republic of Yemen to mobilize resources for the implementation of its special reconstruction and rehabilitation programmes and to apprise the Council of their efforts at its second regular session of 1991;

¹⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1989, Supplement No. 17 (E/1989/36)*, chap. III.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 13 (E/1989/32), part three, annex I.

¹⁶ See World Health Organization, *Forty-second World Health Assembly, Geneva, 8-19 May 1989: Resolutions and Decisions, Annexes (WHA42/1989/REC/1)*.

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session his report on the implementation of Assembly resolution 44/179 of 19 December 1989.

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1990/66. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 44/180 of 19 December 1989 and previous Assembly resolutions concerning international assistance for the reconstruction of Lebanon, in which the Assembly called upon the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to expand and intensify their programmes of assistance in response to the needs of Lebanon,

Aware of the deteriorating socio-economic conditions of the Lebanese people and the magnitude of their unmet needs,

Noting with great concern the unprecedented inflation in Lebanon during the past five years and the catastrophic erosion in the value of the Lebanese pound,

Appeals to all Member States and all the organizations of the United Nations system to continue and intensify their efforts to mobilize all possible assistance to the Government of Lebanon in its efforts for reconstruction and development, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

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1990/67. Operation Lifeline Sudan

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 43/8 of 18 October 1988, 43/52 of 6 December 1988 and 44/12 of 24 October 1989 on assistance to the Sudan,

Noting with deep concern the continuing negative impact of persistent natural disasters and civil strife in the Sudan, which have resulted in the destruction of the socio-economic infrastructure of that country and large numbers of displaced persons, as well as the serious consequences of the most recent drought, namely crop failures and food shortages,

Recognizing that the Sudan continues to require, as a complement to its own efforts, strong and continued international solidarity and humanitarian support to meet the urgent requirements for relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction,

Noting that the food and non-food requirements of Operation Lifeline Sudan are spelt out in the emergency appeal of May 1990 of the United Nations Children's

Fund, the Operation Lifeline Sudan Phase II Background Appeal Document of the Donor Consultation Meeting of 26 March 1990 and the World Food Programme appeal of 20 March 1990,

Noting with appreciation the report on progress in the second phase of Operation Lifeline Sudan, made before the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee at its 1st meeting, on 11 July 1990, by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Emergency and Relief Operations in the Sudan,

1. *Expresses its deep gratitude and appreciation* to the States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations that are providing assistance to the Government and the people of the Sudan in their relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts in the context of Operation Lifeline Sudan;

2. *Expresses its full appreciation* to the Secretary-General and the organizations of the United Nations system for the effective resource mobilization, successful co-ordination and support for Operation Lifeline Sudan;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in close co-operation with the Government of the Sudan, to continue to co-ordinate the efforts of the United Nations system to help the Sudan in its emergency, rehabilitation and reconstruction programmes, to mobilize resources for the implementation of those programmes and to keep the international community informed of the needs of that country;

4. *Calls upon* all States to continue to contribute generously to the relief and rehabilitation requirements of displaced persons;

5. *Further calls upon* all States to respond generously to the appeals for immediate food and non-food relief and rehabilitation support made by the United Nations Children's Fund in May 1990, the Government of the Sudan on 26 March 1990 and the World Food Programme on 20 March 1990;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the context of his report on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 44/12, for submission to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, to provide information with special reference to the activities mentioned in the report made before the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee at its 1st meeting, on 11 July 1990, by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Emergency and Relief Operations in the Sudan.

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1990/68. Special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council in 1991

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, containing the Declaration on International Economic Co-operation, in particular the Revitalization