

been imposed on its economy by the massive presence of over 700,000 refugees,

Bearing in mind that Somalia has been included in the list of least developed countries of the world and that its social and economic infrastructure is barely sufficient to meet the needs of its own inhabitants,

Recognizing that the widespread destruction that has taken place in the northern provinces of Somalia requires the immediate response of the international community for an emergency assistance programme that would provide food, water and shelter for the inhabitants made homeless as a result of these events, and for a programme of emergency assistance and rehabilitation to enable the affected population to return to their homes and become self-reliant,

1. *Expresses* its solidarity with the Government and people of Somalia in facing the complex disaster situation in the northern provinces;

2. *Welcomes* the current efforts of the Secretary-General and the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system and the assistance so far provided to the people and Government of Somalia in coping with the emergency;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to mobilize international assistance and to co-ordinate the efforts of the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system in order to respond in a concerted and effective manner to the request of the Government of Somalia for humanitarian assistance, and to carry out an assessment of priority humanitarian needs, in close co-operation with the government authorities and with the organizations of the United Nations system, and bring the findings to the attention of the international community without delay;

4. *Calls upon* all States and the competent intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide financial, material and technical assistance to ensure an effective response to the needs identified by the Secretary-General for relief operations, rehabilitation and reconstruction;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to apprise the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1989 of his efforts and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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43/207. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 42/199 of 11 December 1987 and its previous resolutions on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/50 of 26 July 1988 and recalling the previous relevant resolutions and decisions of the Council,

Noting with deep concern the grave deterioration of the economic situation in Lebanon,

Reaffirming the urgent need for further international action to assist the Government of Lebanon in its continuing efforts for reconstruction and development,

Welcoming the determined efforts of the Government of Lebanon in undertaking its reconstruction and rehabilitation programme,

Noting with appreciation the appointment by the Secretary-General of the Special Representative for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon and Resident Co-ordinator of the operational activities for development of the United Nations system in Lebanon,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General⁷⁸ and of the statements made on 8 November 1988 by the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services and by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General,⁷⁹

Noting with satisfaction that the United Nations Development Programme is resuming its programme in Lebanon,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his report and for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance to Lebanon;

2. *Commends* the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services for his co-ordination of system-wide assistance to Lebanon;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue and intensify his efforts to mobilize all possible assistance within the United Nations system to help the Government of Lebanon in its reconstruction and development efforts;

4. *Expresses its appreciation* for the appointment by the Secretary-General of the Special Representative for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon and Resident Co-ordinator of the operational activities for development of the United Nations system in Lebanon;

5. *Calls upon* the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to intensify their programmes of assistance and to expand them in response to the pressing needs of Lebanon, and to take the necessary steps to ensure that their offices at Beirut are adequately staffed at the senior level;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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43/208. Assistance to Mozambique

The General Assembly,

Recalling Security Council resolution 386 (1976) of 17 March 1976,

Recalling also its relevant resolutions, in particular resolution 41/197 of 8 December 1986, in which it urged the international community to respond effectively and generously to the call for assistance to Mozambique,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Mozambique, including the annex thereto,⁸⁰

Considering that Mozambique continues to face a complex emergency situation of extreme proportions, as illustrated in the report of the Secretary-General,

⁷⁸ A/43/727.

⁷⁹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-third Session, Second Committee, 36th meeting, and corrigendum.*

⁸⁰ A/43/514.

Noting with deep concern that Mozambique has continued to suffer from the cumulative and negative impact of externally supported acts of destabilization, as well as persistent natural disasters, resulting in, *inter alia*, enormous losses of human life, widespread destruction of infrastructure and large numbers of displaced persons, which, combined with an adverse international economic situation, have led to an overall retrogression of the country's development,

Recognizing that substantial international assistance is still required for the implementation of emergency, reconstruction and development projects,

Stressing that a proper response to the emergency situation in Mozambique requires the reinforcement of relief aid with additional rehabilitation and development assistance,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Mozambique, including the annex thereto;

2. *Welcomes* the efforts undertaken by the Government of Mozambique, as reflected in its emergency and economic recovery programmes, and, in this context, stresses the imperative need for substantial international assistance in support of these efforts;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to, and commends, the Secretary-General and the relevant organizations of the United Nations system for the measures taken to organize international assistance programmes for Mozambique;

4. *Expresses its gratitude* to all States and regional, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations that have rendered assistance to Mozambique;

5. *Notes*, however, that the total assistance provided to date to Mozambique continues to fall short of the country's urgent requirements;

6. *Reiterates its appeal* to the international community to continue to provide relief aid, including food aid and logistics support, so as to improve distribution capability and prevent further widespread starvation;

7. *Draws the attention* of the international community to the non-food sectors, as described in the documents of the Conference on Emergency Assistance to Mozambique, held at Maputo on 26 and 27 April 1988, the funding of which continues to lag, particularly the agriculture, health and education sectors;

8. *Calls upon* Member States, regional and interregional organizations and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide and expand technical, financial and other material assistance to Mozambique wherever possible, especially in the form of grants, and urges them to give priority to the inclusion of Mozambique in their development assistance programmes;

9. *Invites* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to maintain and increase their current and future programmes of assistance to Mozambique;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the financial, technical and material assistance required by Mozambique;

(b) To continue to co-ordinate the work of the United Nations system, in close co-operation with the Government of Mozambique, in the implementation of the country's emergency and rehabilitation programmes;

(c) To keep the situation in Mozambique under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, organs and organizations of the United Nations system, and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1989, of the status of the programmes of assistance to Mozambique;

(d) To prepare, on the basis of consultations with the Government of Mozambique, a report on the implementation of the emergency and rehabilitation programmes for that country and to submit the report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session.

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43/209. Special assistance to front-line States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 41/199 of 8 December 1986 and 42/201 of 11 December 1987,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,⁸¹

Deeply concerned at the continuing deteriorating situation in southern Africa, which has aggravated the economic problems confronting the front-line States and other bordering States, arising from the *apartheid* policies of the Pretoria régime,

Conscious of the responsibility of the international community to address the problems of the region,

Commending the concerted and determined efforts of the countries of the region to cope with the prevailing adverse conditions by strengthening their economic co-operation and lessening their dependence on South Africa, particularly in the areas of transportation, communications and related sectors,

Reaffirming the importance of close co-operation between the United Nations and the front-line States,

Mindful of Security Council resolutions 568 (1985) of 21 June 1985, 571 (1985) of 20 September 1985 and 581 (1986) of 13 February 1986, in which the Council, *inter alia*, requested the international community to render assistance to the front-line States,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his efforts regarding assistance to the front-line States;

2. *Strongly urges* the international community to continue to provide in a timely and effective manner the financial, material and technical assistance necessary to enhance the individual and collective capacity of the front-line States and other bordering States to withstand the effects of economic measures taken by South Africa, or by the international community against South Africa, in accordance with their national and regional plans and strategies;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue mobilizing organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system so that they may respond to such requests for assistance as might be forthcoming from individual States or the appropriate subregional organization, and further urges all States to respond favourably to such requests;

⁸¹ A/43/449 and Add.1 and 2.