

Having considered the report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-seventh session,<sup>24</sup>

Mindful of the valuable contribution to be rendered by the Commission within the framework of the United Nations Decade of International Law, *inter alia*, as regards the dissemination of international trade law,

Concerned about the relatively low incidence of expert representation from developing countries at sessions of the Commission and particularly of its working groups during recent years, owing in part to inadequate resources to finance the travel of such experts,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>25</sup>

Concerned also about the fact that the need for and interest in the training and assistance programme of the Commission can only partially be met, in view of the limited human and financial resources available, and that the work of the Secretariat in the context of the Case-Law on the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Texts would substantially increase as the number of the court decisions and arbitral awards covered thereby grows,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-seventh session;

2. Welcomes the ongoing work of the Commission, as described in its report, and appreciates the many proposals on possible future work made during the Congress on International Trade Law of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, held in New York in May 1992;

3. Reaffirms the mandate of the Commission, as the core legal body within the United Nations system in the field of international trade law, to coordinate legal activities in this field in order to avoid duplication of effort and to promote efficiency, consistency and coherence in the unification and harmonization of international trade law, and in this connection recommends that the Commission, through its secretariat, continue to maintain close cooperation with the other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, including regional organizations, active in the field of international trade law;

4. Also reaffirms the importance, in particular for developing countries, of the work of the Commission concerned with training and assistance in the field of international trade law;

5. Expresses the desirability for the Commission to sponsor seminars and symposia to provide such training and assistance, and in this connection:

(a) Expresses its appreciation to the Commission for organizing seminars in Argentina, Brazil, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Turkey, as well as in Botswana, Kenya, Namibia, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe, and for assisting the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council with its initiative to promote harmonization of international trade law in the Asia-Pacific region;

(b) Expresses its appreciation to the Governments whose contributions enabled the seminars to take place, and appeals to Governments, the relevant United Nations organs, organizations, institutions and individuals to make voluntary contributions to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Trust Fund for Symposia and, where appropriate, to the financing of

special projects, and otherwise to assist the secretariat of the Commission in financing and organizing seminars and symposia, in particular in developing countries, and in the award of fellowships to candidates from developing countries to enable them to participate in such seminars and symposia;

(c) Appeals to the United Nations Development Programme and other United Nations bodies responsible for development assistance to support the training and technical assistance programme of the Commission and to cooperate and coordinate their activities with those of the Commission;

6. Welcomes the completion of the setting up of the trust fund for the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law to grant travel assistance to developing countries that are members of the Commission, at their request and in consultation with the Secretary-General, pursuant to paragraph 5 of resolution 48/32 of 9 December 1993;

7. Appeals to Governments, the relevant United Nations organs, organizations, institutions and individuals, in order to ensure full participation by all Member States in the sessions of the Commission and its working groups, to make voluntary contributions to the trust fund referred to in paragraph 6 above;

8. Decides, in order to ensure full participation by all Member States in the sessions of the Commission and its working groups, to continue its consideration in the competent Main Committee during the forty-ninth session of the General Assembly of granting travel assistance, within existing resources, to the least developed countries that are members of the Commission, at their request and in consultation with the Secretary-General;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that adequate resources are allocated for the effective implementation of the programmes of the Commission;

10. Stresses the importance of bringing into effect the conventions emanating from the work of the Commission for the global unification and harmonization of international trade law, and to this end urges States that have not yet done so to consider signing, ratifying or acceding to those conventions;

11. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit a report on the implementation of paragraph 8 above to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session.

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#### 49/56. 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,<sup>26</sup>

Recalling Article 105 of the Charter of the United Nations, the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations<sup>27</sup> and the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations,<sup>28</sup> and the responsibilities of the host country,

Recognizing that effective measures should continue to be taken by the competent authorities of the host country, in particular

<sup>26</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/49/26).

<sup>27</sup> Resolution 22 A (I).

<sup>28</sup> See resolution 169 (II).

<sup>24</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 and corrigendum (A/49/17 and Corr.1).

<sup>25</sup> A/49/427.

to prevent any acts violating the security of missions and the safety of their personnel,

*Noting* the spirit of cooperation and mutual understanding that has guided the deliberations of the Committee on issues affecting the United Nations community and the host country,

*Welcoming* the increased interest shown by Member States in participating in the work of the Committee,

1. *Endorses* the recommendations and conclusions of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country contained in paragraph 73 of its report;

2. *Considers* that the maintenance of appropriate conditions for the normal work of the delegations and the missions accredited to the United Nations is in the interests of the United Nations and all Member States, and expresses the hope that the host country will continue to take all measures necessary to prevent any interference with the functioning of missions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* for the efforts made by the host country, and hopes that problems raised at the meetings of the Committee will continue to be resolved in a spirit of cooperation and in accordance with international law;

4. *Voices its concern* that the amount of financial indebtedness resulting from non-compliance with contractual obligations of certain missions accredited to the United Nations has increased to alarming proportions, reminds all permanent missions to the United Nations, their personnel and Secretariat personnel of their responsibilities to meet such obligations, and expresses the hope that the efforts undertaken by the Committee, in consultation with all concerned, will lead to a solution of this problem;

5. *Welcomes* the lifting of travel controls by the host country with regard to certain missions and staff members of the Secretariat of certain nationalities and expresses the hope that the remaining travel restrictions will be removed by the host country as soon as possible, and in this regard notes the positions of the affected States, of the Secretary-General and of the host country;

6. *Welcomes also* the measures taken at the ports of entry by the host country at the request of Member States, as well as the efforts of the Committee to explore the possibilities for the diplomatic community to be provided with more affordable dental and health services;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to remain actively engaged in all aspects of the relations of the United Nations with the host country;

8. *Requests* the Committee to continue its work, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI) of 15 December 1971;

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

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**49/57. Declaration on the Enhancement of Cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Arrangements or Agencies in the Maintenance of International Peace and Security**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 46/58 of 9 December 1991, 47/38 of 25 November 1992 and 48/36 of 9 December 1993,

*Taking note* of the report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization,<sup>29</sup> which met in New York from 7 to 25 March 1994 and completed a draft declaration on the enhancement of cooperation between the United Nations and regional arrangements or agencies in the maintenance of international peace and security,

*Convinced* that the adoption of the declaration will contribute towards strengthening the role and enhancing the effectiveness of the United Nations and of the regional arrangements or agencies in the maintenance of international peace and security,

*Considering* the need to ensure a wide dissemination of the text of the declaration,

*Convinced also* that the declaration will be a major and specific contribution of the Special Committee to the activities within the United Nations Decade of International Law,

1. *Approves* the Declaration on the Enhancement of Cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Arrangements or Agencies in the Maintenance of International Peace and Security, the text of which is annexed to the present resolution;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization for its important contribution to the elaboration of the text of the Declaration;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the Governments of the States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies, the Security Council and regional arrangements or agencies which have observer status in the General Assembly of the adoption of the Declaration;

4. *Urges* that every effort be made to ensure that the Declaration becomes generally known and fully implemented.

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ANNEX

**Declaration on the Enhancement of Cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Arrangements or Agencies in the Maintenance of International Peace and Security**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations concerning the role of regional arrangements or agencies in the maintenance of international peace and security, in particular the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Charter,

*Recalling also* that resort to regional arrangements or agencies is among the means referred to in Chapter VI of the Charter for the peaceful settlement of disputes,

*Recognizing* that regional arrangements or agencies can play an important role in preventive diplomacy and in enhancing regional and international cooperation,

*Recognizing also* the importance of the role of regional arrangements or agencies in dealing with such matters relating to the maintenance of international peace and security as are appropriate for regional action, provided that such arrangements or agencies and their activities are consistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the experience gained and the favourable results achieved by regional arrangements or agencies in the peaceful settlement of disputes in different parts of the world,

<sup>29</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 33 (A/49/33).