substantial progress is achieved on fundamental issues which are as yet unresolved,

Expressing its appreciation to the International Committee of the Red Cross for undertaking a series of consultations to ensure the complete preparation for the conference,

- 1. Urges all Governments and invites the International Committee of the Red Cross to continue to seek through consultations to achieve a rapprochement in the positions of Governments to ensure that the diplomatic conference envisaged will adopt rules which will mark substantial progress on fundamental legal issues connected with modern armed conflicts and which will contribute significantly to the alleviation of the suffering brought about by such conflicts;
- 2. Calls upon all parties to armed conflicts to observe the international humanitarian rules which are applicable, in particular the Hague Conventions of 1899 and 1907,17 the Geneva Protocol of 192518 and the Geneva Conventions of 1949, and, to this end, to provide instruction concerning these rules to their armed forces and information concerning the same rules to the civilian population;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to encourage the study and teaching of principles of respect for international humanitarian rules applicable in armed conflicts:
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session on relevant developments concerning human rights in armed conflicts and to prepare, as soon as possible, a survey of existing rules of international law concerning the prohibition or restriction of use of specific weapons;
- 5. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its twenty-eighth session the item entitled "Human rights in armed conflicts: respect for human rights in armed conflicts".

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3033 (XXVII). 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,19

Drawing attention to its resolutions 2747 (XXV) of 17 December 1970 and 2819 (XXVI) of 15 December 1971, 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

¹⁸ League of Nations, Treaty Series, vol. XCIV, No. 2138,

regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations,20 the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations²¹ and general international law,

Recalling the duty of missions accredited to the United Nations 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, including the host country, as well as to the Secretary-General,

Noting with satisfaction the ratification by the host country of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961,²²

Taking note of the report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and of the recommendations contained therein,

- 1. Condemns all acts of violence, terrorist attacks and harassment directed against the premises of missions accredited to the United Nations or against their personnel as fundamentally incompatible with the status of such missions and personnel under international law and calls upon the host country to take all appropriate preventive measures;
- 2. Welcomes the adoption, on 24 October 1972, of the Act for the Protection of Foreign Officials and Official Guests of the United States²³ and hopes that this Act will form a basis for the application of effective measures against acts of violence, terrorist attacks and harassment directed at the premises of missions accredited to the United Nations or their personnel, including the application of effective measures against the organization of demonstrations and picketing where there is reason to believe that they may be accompanied by acts of violence or may prevent the conduct of the normal business of missions accredited to the United Nations;
- 3. Considers it necessary that active measures should be taken on the part of the authorities of the host country, the United Nations Secretariat and all others concerned to enhance the relations between the diplomatic community and the local community, in order to ensure the existence of conditions conducive to the effective functioning of the United Nations and the missions accredited to it;
- 4. Decides that the Committee on Relations with the Host Country should continue its work in 1973 in conformity with General Assembly resolution 2819 (XXVI) with the purpose of examining all matters falling within its terms of reference;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to furnish all appropriate assistance to the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and to bring to its attention 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;
- 6. Requests the Committee on Relations with the Host Country to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session a report on the progress of its work and to make, if it deems necessary, appropriate recommendations:

23 See A/8871/Rev.1.

¹⁷ Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, The Hague Conventions and Declarations of 1899 and 1907 (New York, Oxford University Press, 1915).

p. 65.

19 Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 26 (A/8726).

²⁰ See resolution 169 (II).

²¹ See resolution 22 A (I). ²² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 500, No. 7310, p. 95.

7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its twenty-eighth session the item entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country".

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3034 (XXVII). Measures to prevent international terrorism which endangers or takes innocent human lives or jeopardizes fundamental freedoms, and study of the underlying causes of those forms of terrorism and acts of violence which lie in misery, frustration, grievance and despair and which cause some people to sacrifice human lives, including their own, in an attempt to effect radical changes

The General Assembly,

Deeply perturbed over acts of international terrorism which are occurring with increasing frequency and which take a toll of innocent human lives,

Recognizing the importance of international cooperation in devising measures effectively to prevent their occurrence and of studying their underlying causes with a view to finding just and peaceful solutions as quickly as possible,

Recalling the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,²⁴

- 1. Expresses deep concern over increasing acts of violence which endanger or take innocent human lives or jeopardize fundamental freedoms;
- 2. Urges States to devote their immediate attention to finding just and peaceful solutions to the underlying causes which give rise to such acts of violence;
- 3. Reaffirms the inalienable right to self-determination and independence of all peoples under colonial and racist régimes and other forms of alien domination and upholds the legitimacy of their struggle, in particular the struggle of national liberation movements, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter and the relevant resolutions of the organs of the United Nations;
- 4. Condemns the continuation of repressive and terrorist acts by colonial, racist and alien régimes in denying peoples their legitimate right to self-determination and independence and other human rights and fundamental freedoms;

- 5. *Invites* States to become parties to the existing international conventions which relate to various aspects of the problem of international terrorism;
- 6. Invites States to take all appropriate measures at the national level with a view to the speedy and final elimination of the problem, bearing in mind the provisions of paragraph 3 above;
- 7. Invites States to consider the subject-matter urgently and submit observations to the Secretary-General by 10 April 1973, including concrete proposals for finding an effective solution to the problem;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit an analytical study of the observations of States submitted under paragraph 7 above to the ad hoc committee to be established under paragraph 9;
- 9. Decides to establish an Ad Hoc Committee on International Terrorism consisting of thirty-five members to be appointed by the President of the General Assembly bearing in mind the principle of equitable geographical representation;
- 10. Requests the Ad Hoc Committee to consider the observations of States under paragraph 7 above and submit its report with recommendations for possible co-operation for the speedy elimination of the problem, bearing in mind the provisions of paragraph 3, to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session;
- 11. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Ad Hoc Committee with the necessary facilities and services:
- 12. Decides to include the item in the provisional agenda of its twenty-eighth session.

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The President of the General Assembly subsequently informed the Secretary-General²⁵ that, in pursuance of paragraph 9 of the above resolution, he had appointed the members of the Ad Hoc Committee on International Terrorism.

As a result, the Ad Hoc Committee will be composed of the following Member States: Algeria, Austria, Barbados, Canada, Congo, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, France, Greece, Guinea, Haiti, Hungary, India, Iran, Italy, Japan, Mauritania, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zaire and Zambia.

Other decisions

Review of the role of the International Court of Justice (Item 90)

At its 2114th plenary meeting, on 18 December 1972, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee,²⁶ decided to include in the provisional agenda of its twenty-eighth session the item entitled "Review of the role of the International Court of Justice".

²⁴ See resolution 2625 (XXV), annex.

²⁵ A/8993.

²⁶ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 90, document A/8967, para. 14.