

4. Expresses its satisfaction with the efforts made by Governments, United Nations bodies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations associated with the United Nations which have provided moral and material assistance to the peoples of the dependent Territories in Africa and elsewhere with a view to the more effective observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

5. Strongly condemns the policy of those States members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and of other Powers which are assisting the racist régimes in southern Africa and elsewhere to repress the profound aspirations of peoples for the enjoyment of human rights and to prevent the exercise of those rights;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights the records of the discussion on the question and the relevant report of the Third Committee to the General Assembly.

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3223 (XXIX). Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2919 (XXVII) of 15 November 1972, in which it proclaimed the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

Recalling its resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973, in which it reaffirmed its determination to achieve the total and unconditional elimination of racism and racial discrimination, against which the conscience and sense of justice of mankind have long been aroused and which in our time represent serious obstacles to further progress and to the strengthening of international peace and security,

1. Takes note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1863 (LVI) of 17 May 1974;

2. Takes note with appreciation of the reports of the Secretary-General¹⁴ submitted in accordance with paragraphs 18 (f) and 18 (h) of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;¹⁵

3. Condemns the intolerable conditions which continue to prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination and the inhumane and odious application of *apartheid* and racial discrimination;

4. Reaffirms its recognition of the legitimacy of the struggle of oppressed peoples to liberate themselves from racism, racial discrimination, *apartheid*, colonialism and alien domination;

5. Urges all Member States to co-operate loyally and fully in achieving the goals and objectives of the Decade by taking such actions and measures as:

(a) Implementing United Nations resolutions bearing on the elimination of racism, *apartheid*, racial discrimination and the liberation of peoples under colonial domination and alien subjugation;

(b) Signing and ratifying the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,¹⁶ the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of *Apartheid*,¹⁷ the International Covenants on Human Rights¹⁸ and all other relevant instruments;

(c) Formulating and executing plans to realize the policy measures and goals contained in the Programme for the Decade;

(d) Reviewing internal laws and regulations with a view to identifying and rescinding those which provide for, give rise to, or inspire racial discrimination or *apartheid*;

(e) Supplying the Secretary-General with comments and views as to the draft agenda and timing of the world conference referred to in paragraph 13 (a) of the Programme for the Decade, as well as in relation to the implementation of that Programme;

(f) Complying, when due, with the provisions of paragraph 18 (e) of the Programme for the Decade, which call for Governments to forward a report every two years on the action taken under the Programme for the Decade, on the basis of a questionnaire circulated by the Secretary-General, and for these reports to be transmitted to the Economic and Social Council for its consideration;

6. Requests national sports federations of Member States to refuse systematically to participate in all sports or other activities together with the representatives of the racist régime of South Africa;

7. Urges all States, United Nations organs and bodies, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to ensure, *inter alia*:

(a) Immediate termination of all measures and policies, as well as military, political, economic and other activities, which enable racist régimes in southern Africa to continue the repression of the African people;

(b) Full support and assistance, morally and materially, to the peoples which are victims of *apartheid* and racial discrimination and to the liberation movements;

8. Calls attention to the vital importance of examining the socio-economic and colonial roots of racism, *apartheid* and racial discrimination, with a view to eliminating them;

9. Stresses the importance of mobilizing public opinion in support, morally and materially, of the peoples which are victims of racism, *apartheid*, racial discrimination and colonial and alien domination;

10. Commends the active involvement of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in the implementation of the Programme for the Decade within its competence under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;

11. Expresses the hope that adequate resources will be made available to the Secretary-General to enable him to undertake the activities entrusted to him under the Programme for the Decade;

¹⁴ E/5474, E/5475; see also A/9666 and Add.1-6.

¹⁵ Resolution 3057 (XXVIII), annex.

¹⁶ Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.

¹⁷ Resolution 3068 (XXVIII), annex.

¹⁸ Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

12. *Decides* to consider at its thirtieth session, as a matter of high priority, the question entitled "Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination".

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3224 (XXIX). Measures to improve the situation of migrant workers

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2920 (XXVII) of 15 November 1972,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolutions 1706 (LIII) of 28 July 1972, 1749 (LIV) of 16 May 1973 and 1789 (LIV) of 18 May 1973,

Also recalling Commission on Human Rights resolution 3 (XXIX) of 13 March 1973¹⁹ and resolution 6 (XXVI) of 19 September 1973 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,²⁰

Aware that the problem of migrant workers continues to be of major importance to certain countries,

Considering that this problem, far from diminishing, is growing worse, especially in certain regions,

Considering that greater publicity should be given to the study on the exploitation of labour through illicit and clandestine trafficking,²¹

1. *Notes with satisfaction* that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities has decided to continue and complete this study and, for this purpose, has received the co-operation of Member States and specialized agencies, especially the International Labour Organisation;

2. *Requests* States which have not yet done so to provide the fullest possible information to the Special Rapporteur responsible for continuing the above-mentioned study in co-operation with the Secretariat;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the General Assembly in due course of the contents of the complete study;

4. *Invites* all States, in so far as more detailed criteria necessary for formulating explicit recommendations do not yet exist:

(a) To extend to all migrant workers who enter their countries legally treatment equal to that provided for their own nationals with regard to human rights and to the provisions of their labour legislation applicable to such migrant workers;

(b) To promote and facilitate by all means in their power the adoption of bilateral agreements which would help to reduce the illicit traffic in alien workers;

(c) Pending the conclusion of such agreements, to adopt the appropriate measures to ensure that the human rights of migrant workers who enter their territory surreptitiously are fully respected.

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¹⁹ See *Officials Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5265)*, chap. XX.

²⁰ See E/CN.4/1128, part B.

²¹ E/CN.4/Sub.2/351 and Add.1; see also E/CN.4/Sub.2/352.

3225 (XXIX). Status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and 3134 (XXVIII) and 3135 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General²² on the status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;²³

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* with the increase in the number of States which have ratified the Convention;

3. *Reaffirms* its conviction that ratification of or accession to the Convention on a universal basis and implementation of its provisions are necessary for the realization of the objectives of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

4. *Appeals* to States which have not yet become parties to the Convention to accede thereto;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to submit to the General Assembly annual reports concerning the state of ratifications of the Convention, in accordance with its resolution 2106 A (XX) of 21 December 1965.

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3245 (XXIX). Human rights in armed conflicts: protection of journalists engaged in dangerous missions in areas of armed conflict

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2673 (XXV) of 9 December 1970, 2854 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971 and 3058 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973,

Noting the resolution of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts of 28 March 1974,²⁴ in which the Diplomatic Conference decided to consider this item as a matter of priority at its second session, to be held in 1975,

1. *Expresses the wish* that the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts submit its observations and suggestions to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session;

2. *Decides* to continue the examination of this question as a matter of priority at its thirtieth session, having regard to the deliberations and findings of the Diplomatic Conference.

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²² A/9719.

²³ Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.

²⁴ See A/9669, para. 129.