

Firmly convinced that this assistance is a responsibility that befalls the international community as a whole and constitutes the natural follow-up of the efforts undertaken by the United Nations in support of the independence of colonial countries and peoples,

Recalling the decision taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its eighteenth session, *inter alia*, to assign an indicative planning figure for 1977-1981 to Guinea-Bissau and to take, during the present development cycle, measures of assistance to that country in accordance with paragraph 6 of the report of the Administrator of the Programme,⁷²

1. *Invites* all Member States, in particular the developed countries, to initiate and intensify efforts to provide economic, technical and financial assistance to the Government of Guinea-Bissau;

2. *Invites* all organizations of the United Nations development system, particularly the international financial institutions, to take urgent measures to assist Guinea-Bissau, taking into account in particular the need to apply maximum flexibility in the procedures followed in the formulation and implementation of economic and financial assistance to that country;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

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3340 (XXIX). Economic, financial and technical assistance to the Territories still under Portuguese domination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration, and its resolution 3118 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973 on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations, as well as all the other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council,

Welcoming with satisfaction the signature at Lusaka, on 7 September 1974, of the agreement between the Frente de Libertação de Moçambique and the Government of Portugal concerning the creation of a transitional Government in Mozambique to lead the Territory to independence on 25 June 1975,

Taking note of the declaration of the Government of Portugal to accept the obligations that are incumbent on it under the pertinent provisions of the Charter of the United Nations to recognize the right of all peoples still under its domination to self-determination and independence as well as of the pledge taken by the Portuguese Government to co-operate in the work of the competent organs of the United Nations,

Convinced of the urgent necessity for the competent organizations of the United Nations to elaborate concrete programmes and projects of an economic, technical and financial nature destined to assist the newly independent States in their efforts for reconstruction and economic, social and cultural development,

Firmly convinced that this assistance is a responsibility that befalls the international community as a whole and constitutes the natural follow-up of the efforts undertaken by the United Nations in support of the independence of colonial countries and peoples,

Considering that the accession to independence of the African Territories under Portuguese domination has been and will be made under particularly difficult economic and social circumstances,

1. *Invites* all Member States, in particular the developed countries, as well as all the organizations of the United Nations development system, particularly the international financial institutions, urgently to take all necessary measures to draw up, in consultation with the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity of the Territories still under Portuguese domination, concrete programmes and projects for economic, technical and financial assistance to be implemented as soon as these Territories reach full independence, taking into account in particular the need to apply maximum flexibility in the procedures followed in the formulation and implementation of such projects;

2. *Further invites*, in the case of Mozambique and pending the implementation of the action called for in paragraph 1 above, all Member States, in particular the developed countries, and requests all organizations of the United Nations system, particularly the international financial institutions, speedily to assist the Frente de Libertação de Moçambique to cope with the immediate and pressing economic and social problems arising from the pre-independence situation of the country;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

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3341 (XXIX). Organization of the work of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly,

Emphasizing the responsibilities assigned, under the Charter of the United Nations, to the Economic and Social Council as the central organ for comprehensive policy formulation and co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations system in the economic, social and human rights fields,

Recalling its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, and its resolutions 2801 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971 and 3178 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973 on the review and appraisal of the Strategy,

Recalling further its resolution 3172 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973 on the special session of the General Assembly devoted to development and international economic co-operation,

⁷² DP/66.

Recalling also its resolution 3201 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, and its resolution 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order,

Recognizing the need for an adequate machinery which, through the effective planning and programming of the activities of the organs of the United Nations system, will ensure a higher degree of coherence and co-ordination and thus respond to changing and emerging needs in the field of economic and social development,

Reaffirming the conviction expressed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1768 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 that both short-term and long-term measures for rationalization are required to strengthen the role of the United Nations in international economic and social co-operation,

Recognizing the extraordinarily heavy programme of work facing the Economic and Social Council in general in the years to come and in 1975 in particular, taking into account the follow-up action on the sixth special session of the General Assembly, the World Population Conference, the World Food Conference as well as the forthcoming mid-term review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the preparations for the special session of the General Assembly devoted to development and international economic co-operation and the responsibilities of the Council in connexion with the International Women's Year and the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, as well as with regard to other human rights questions,

Noting that the Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 1907 (LVII) of 2 August 1974, requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Council at its organizational session in January 1975 a report containing recommendations for an improvement in the arrangements for meetings of the Council, taking into account the need for a better distribution throughout the year of questions included in the Council's programme of work each year, together with an assessment of the possible financial implications of such measures,

1. *Expresses its conviction* that the Economic and Social Council, in order to discharge all its responsibilities, particularly those of co-ordination, in a satisfactory manner, should reorganize its work in such a way as to enable the Council to face up to the new emerging challenges which require urgent, efficient and well-co-ordinated attention and action on the part of the United Nations system;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in preparing the report requested by the Economic and Social Council in resolution 1907 (LVII), to make specific recommendations as regards the logistical support that the Council requires in the light of its current workload, including, in addition to the regular sessions of the Council, the possibility of arrangements for meetings of the Council to be convened as necessary throughout the year, together with an analysis of the administrative and financial implications of such arrangements;

3. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council, taking fully into account the report of the Secretary-

General referred to in paragraph 2 above, to take at its organizational session for 1975 the necessary action allowing the Council to carry out its work in 1975 in the most efficient way possible, if necessary by convening intersessional meetings;

4. *Further requests* the Economic and Social Council, taking due account of the provisions contained in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1622 (LI) of 30 July 1971, to examine new alternatives for organizing its work, including new approaches to the formulation of its agenda, the consideration of the reports of the subsidiary organs as well as such modifications as may be necessary in the existing pattern of interagency co-operation, and to make provisions for the gradual adaptation of its subsidiary organs to such a new system and to submit a progress report to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session;

5. *Urges* the Economic and Social Council, when undertaking the review referred to in paragraph 12 of Council resolution 1768 (LIV), to streamline its subsidiary machinery, with a view to furthering the achievement of the goals set forth in paragraphs 1 and 4 above.

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3342 (XXIX). Women and development

The General Assembly,

Recalling that the central theme of the International Women's Year, proclaimed by the General Assembly in resolution 3010 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, is "Equality, development and peace",⁷³

Recalling also the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women set out in its resolution 2263 (XXII) of 7 November 1967,

Recalling further that its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, setting forth the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, is the first instrument to ask for the full integration of women in development and that the International Women's Year in 1975 is the mid-point of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Noting that the programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women set forth in General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 initiated policy measures to be taken towards the integration of women in development, setting clear targets to be achieved during the Second United Nations Development Decade in women's education, training, employment, health and maternity protection, and administration and public life,

Noting also that the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific have adopted plans of action addressed to all Governments in their regions requesting the establishment of region-wide programmes to integrate women fully into all phases of development,

Considering that the development process would be enhanced by the fuller participation of women,

Believing that the full and productive use of human resources is a key factor in the promotion of economic and social development,

⁷³ See Economic and Social Council resolution 1849 (LVI), annex, para. 2.