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[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/65/463)]

65/19. Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 56/83 of 12 December 2001, the annex to which contains the text of the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts, and its resolutions 59/35 of 2 December 2004 and 62/61 of 6 December 2007 commending the articles to the attention of Governments,

Emphasizing the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting that the subject of responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts is of major importance in relations between States,

Taking into account the comments and observations of Governments¹ and the discussions held in the Sixth Committee, at the fifty-sixth, fifty-ninth, sixty-second and sixty-fifth sessions of the General Assembly, on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts,

Noting with appreciation the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles, prepared by the Secretary-General,²

1. *Acknowledges* the importance of the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts, and commends them once again to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit further written comments on any future action regarding the articles;

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to update the compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles

¹ See A/62/63 and Add.1 and A/65/96 and Add.1.

² See A/62/62 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/65/76.



and to invite Governments to submit information on their practice in this regard, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its sixty-eighth session;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts” and to further examine, within the framework of a working group of the Sixth Committee and with a view to taking a decision, the question of a convention on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts or other appropriate action on the basis of the articles.

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6 December 2010*