

# RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORTS OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

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### **727 (VIII). Prolongation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 319 (IV) of 3 December 1949 and 428 (V) of 14 December 1950, by which the Assembly decided to establish the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and adopted the Statute governing the operation of that Office,

*Considering* the continuing need for international action on behalf of refugees,

*Considering* the valuable work which has been performed by the Office of the High Commissioner both in providing international protection for refugees and in promoting permanent solutions for their problems,

1. *Decides* to continue the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for a period of five years from 1 January 1954 on the basis of the

Statute of the Office contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 428 (V);

2. *Decides* to review, not later than at the twelfth regular session of the Assembly, the arrangements for the Office of the High Commissioner with a view to determining whether the Office should be continued beyond 31 December 1958;

3. *Decides* that the High Commissioner shall be elected for a period of five years from 1 January 1954, and that the High Commissioner shall appoint a Deputy High Commissioner of a nationality other than his own.

*453rd plenary meeting,  
23 October 1953.*

*Following upon the adoption of the above resolution, the General Assembly at its 454th plenary meeting on 23 October 1953, on the nomination of the Secretary-General in accordance with chapter III, paragraph 13, of the Statute, elected Mr. G. J. van Heuven Goedhart (Netherlands) to the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.*