

Council in its resolution 365 (1974) of 13 December 1974, as the valid framework for the solution of the problem of Cyprus;

2. *Reiterates* its call upon all States to respect the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus and to cease any form of interference in its internal affairs;

3. *Calls* for the urgent resumption in a meaningful and constructive manner of the negotiations between the representatives of the two communities, to be conducted freely on an equal footing on the basis of comprehensive and concrete proposals of the parties concerned with a view to reaching as early as possible a mutually acceptable agreement based on their fundamental and legitimate rights;

4. *Demands* that the parties concerned refrain from any unilateral actions which might adversely affect the prospects of a just and lasting solution of the problem of Cyprus by peaceful means;

5. *Recommends* that the Security Council should keep the question of Cyprus under constant review and adopt all practical means to promote the effective implementation of its relevant resolutions in all their aspects;

6. *Calls upon* the parties concerned to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the performance of his tasks under the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and of the Security Council as well as with the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus;

7. *Decides* to include the item entitled "Question of Cyprus" in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session and requests the Secretary-General to follow up the implementation of the present resolution and report thereon to the General Assembly at that session.

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32/18. Restitution of works of art to countries victims of expropriation

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3026 A (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 3148 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 3187 (XXVIII) of 18 December 1973, 3391 (XXX) of 19 November 1975 and 31/40 of 30 November 1976,

Taking note of resolutions 17 and 24 adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 August 1976,³²

Convinced that the promotion of national culture enhances a people's ability to understand the culture and civilization of other peoples and thus has a most favourable impact on international co-operation,

Convinced also that the protection by all means of national culture and heritage is an integral part of the process of preservation and future development of cultural values,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General,³³

1. *Invites* all Member States to sign and ratify the Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing

the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property,³⁴ adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on 14 November 1970;

2. *Calls upon* all Member States to take all necessary steps to prevent, on their territories, any illicit traffic in works of art coming from any other country, especially from territories which were or are under colonial or foreign domination and occupation;

3. *Affirms* that the restitution to a country of its *objets d'art*, monuments, museum pieces, manuscripts, documents and any other cultural or artistic treasures constitutes a step forward towards the strengthening of international co-operation and the preservation and future development of cultural values;

4. *Decides* to remain seized of the question and to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session the item entitled "Restitution of works of art to countries victims of expropriation", in order to review the progress achieved and, in particular, the action taken in this regard by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

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11 November 1977

32/19. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity

The General Assembly,

Recalling all its previous resolutions on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity, including in particular resolution 31/13 of 16 November 1976,

Taking note of the relevant resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its fourteenth ordinary session, held at Libreville from 2 to 5 July 1977,³⁵

Taking into account the statement made by the current Chairman of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at the 34th plenary meeting of the General Assembly on 14 October 1977,³⁶

Commending the important role which the Organization of African Unity continues to play in helping to achieve the objectives of the United Nations in the world in general and on the African continent in particular,

Noting with satisfaction the initiatives which the Organization of African Unity has taken with a view to promoting multilateral co-operation among African States and the efforts exerted to further, with the collaboration of the United Nations, social and economic development in Africa,

Noting with satisfaction the continued efforts of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations bodies concerned, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to help

³⁴ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, *Records of the General Conference, Sixteenth Session*, vol. I, *Resolutions*, pp. 135-141.

³⁵ See A/32/310.

³⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Plenary Meetings*, 34th meeting, paras. 23-154.

³² See A/31/197, annex IV.

³³ A/32/203.

solve the serious social and economic problems which affect the African continent,

Taking note with satisfaction of the successful co-operation between the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations in organizing the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, held at Maputo from 16 to 21 May 1977,³⁷ and the World Conference for Action against *Apartheid*, held at Lagos from 22 to 26 August 1977,³⁸ and of the ensuing positive results,

Aware of the urgent need to give increased assistance and support to the victims of colonialism, racial discrimination and *apartheid* resulting from the intensified acts of provocation and aggression against neighbouring countries by the *apartheid* régime in South Africa and Namibia and the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia,

Conscious of the need to take effective steps for the widest possible dissemination of information relating to the struggle of the African peoples concerned for their liberation from colonialism, racial discrimination and *apartheid*,

Reaffirming the determination of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations to work closely towards the establishment of the new international economic order,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity³⁹ and commends his efforts in promoting such co-operation;

2. *Expresses its deep appreciation* of the outstanding contribution made by the Organization of African Unity in the relevant work of the United Nations bodies concerned;

3. *Invites* the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations to co-operate fully in the speedy implementation of the Maputo Declaration in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and the Programme of Action for the Liberation of Zimbabwe and Namibia,⁴⁰ adopted by the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, held at Maputo from 16 to 21 May 1977, and the Lagos Declaration for Action against *Apartheid*,⁴¹ adopted by the World Conference for Action against *Apartheid*, held at Lagos from 22 to 26 August 1977;

4. *Commends* the efforts of the Organization of African Unity to find solutions to African problems of vital importance to the international community;

5. *Reaffirms* the determination of the United Nations, in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to intensify its efforts to put an end to the remaining vestiges of colonialism and racial discrimination and to *apartheid* in southern Africa;

6. *Recognizes* that it is important that the United Nations and the specialized agencies be closely asso-

ciated, where appropriate, with the efforts of the Organization of African Unity to promote social and economic co-operation in Africa;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take the necessary measures to strengthen co-operation at the political, economic, cultural and administrative levels between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, particularly with regard to the provision of assistance to the victims of colonialism and *apartheid* in southern Africa, and, in this connexion, draws attention once again to the Assistance Fund for the Struggle against Colonialism and *Apartheid* established by the Organization of African Unity;

8. *Requests once again* the United Nations bodies, in particular the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council, the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, the Special Committee against *Apartheid* and the United Nations Council for Namibia, to continue to take effective measures to associate closely the Organization of African Unity regularly with all their work concerning Africa;

9. *Invites* the specialized agencies and other organizations concerned within the United Nations system to continue and intensify their co-operation with the Organization of African Unity and, through it, with the national liberation movements of Zimbabwe and Namibia, in particular within the context of General Assembly resolution 31/30 of 29 November 1976;

10. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the efforts he is making on behalf of the international community to provide effective programmes of assistance to various African States experiencing grave economic difficulties because of special political and geo-economic circumstances;

11. *Requests* all Member States, regional and international organizations as well as the organizations of the United Nations system to give full and generous support to the programmes of assistance being organized by the Secretary-General;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session a report on the implementation of the present resolution and on the development of co-operation between the Organization of African Unity and the organizations concerned with the United Nations system.

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32/20. The situation in the Middle East

The General Assembly,

Having discussed the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East",

Recalling its previous resolutions on the subject, in particular resolutions 3414 (XXX) of 5 December 1975 and 31/61 of 9 December 1976,

Taking into account the decisions of the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 Au-

³⁷ For the report of the Conference, see A/32/109/Rev.1-S/12344/Rev.1 (*Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1977*).

³⁸ For the report of the Conference, see A/CONF.91/9 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.XIV.2 and 3 and corrigendum).

³⁹ A/32/207.

⁴⁰ A/32/109/Rev.1-S/12344/Rev.1, annex V. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1977*.

⁴¹ A/CONF.91/9 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.XIV.2 and corrigendum), sect. X.