

3238 (XXIX). Restoration of the lawful rights of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that the situation in Cambodia is of concern to all Member States and especially to the countries situated close to the area,

Taking into account that, while the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, presided over by Prince Norodom Sihanouk, exercises authority over a segment of Cambodia, the Government of the Khmer Republic still has control over a preponderant number of the Cambodian people,

Believing that the Cambodian people themselves should be allowed to solve their own political problems peacefully, free from outside interference,

Believing also that such political settlement should be reached by the indigenous parties concerned, without external influence,

1. *Calls upon* all the Powers which have been influencing the two parties to the conflict to use their good offices for conciliation between these two parties with a view to restoring peace in Cambodia;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, after due consultation, to lend appropriate assistance to the two contending parties claiming lawful rights in Cambodia and to report on the results to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session;

3. *Decides* not to press for any further action until Member States have an opportunity to examine the report of the Secretary-General.

2302nd plenary meeting
29 November 1974

3280 (XXIX). Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2011 (XX) of 11 October 1965, 2193 (XXI) of 15 December 1966, 2505 (XXIV) of 20 November 1969, 2863 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971, 2962 (XXVII) of 13 December 1972 and 3066 (XXVIII) of 15 November 1973 on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity,

Taking note of the resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its eleventh ordinary session, held at Mogadiscio from 12 to 15 June 1974, concerning the question with which the General Assembly is seized,

Taking into account the important statement made by the current Chairman of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at the 2262nd plenary meeting of the General Assembly on 9 October 1974,

Taking also into account the statement made by the Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity at the 2080th meeting of the Fourth Committee on 1 October 1974 and at the 908th meet-

ing of the Special Political Committee on 7 October 1974,

Noting with satisfaction the continued efforts of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to help to solve the serious problems which principally affect southern Africa,

Bearing in mind the positive results achieved in the work of the United Nations bodies concerned as a direct consequence of the participation of representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity in the relevant proceedings of these bodies in an observer capacity,

Aware of the urgent need to give increased assistance to the victims of colonialism, racial discrimination and *apartheid* resulting from political and criminal acts of repression by the Government of South Africa and the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe),

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity¹⁵ and commends his efforts in promoting such co-operation;

2. *Reiterates* the firm intention of the United Nations, in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to intensify its efforts to find a solution to the present grave situation in southern Africa;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take the necessary measures to strengthen co-operation 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 to the Assistance Fund for the Struggle against Colonialism and *Apartheid* established by the Organization of African Unity;

4. *Draws once again the attention* of United Nations bodies, in particular the Security Council, to the need to take effective measures to associate more closely the Organization of African Unity regularly with all their work concerning Africa, including especially the activities of the committee on sanctions of the Council;¹⁶

5. *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;

6. *Decides* to invite as observers, on a regular basis and in accordance with earlier practice, representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity to participate in the relevant work of the Main Committees of the General Assembly and its subsidiary organs concerned, as well as in conferences, seminars and other meetings held under the auspices of the United Nations which relate to their countries, and requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity, to ensure that the necessary arrangements are made for their effective participation, including the requisite financial provisions;

¹⁵ A/9734.

¹⁶ Security Council Committee established in pursuance of resolution 253 (1968) concerning the question of Southern Rhodesia.

7. *Recommends* to the other United Nations organs concerned, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity, to ensure that the necessary arrangements are made to facilitate the effective participation of these national liberation movements in their relevant proceedings;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirtieth 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 within the United Nations system.

*2312th plenary meeting
10 December 1974*

3282 (XXIX). Strengthening of the role of the United Nations with regard to the maintenance and consolidation of international peace and security, the development of co-operation among all nations and the promotion of the rules of international law in relations between States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2925 (XXVII) of 27 November 1972 and 3073 (XXVIII) of 30 November 1973,

Emphasizing that the active participation of all Member States in efforts aimed at strengthening the United Nations and enhancing its role in contemporary international relations is essential for the success of those efforts,

Aware that the strengthening of the role of the United Nations requires continuous improvement in the functioning and effectiveness of its principal organs in the exercise of their responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations,

Considering that it is desirable for the General Assembly to keep constantly under review the over-all problems connected with the role and the effectiveness of the United Nations and to consider them periodically with a view to evaluating the progress achieved and adopting appropriate measures aimed at strengthening the role of the world Organization in international life,

1. *Reaffirms* the provisions of its resolutions 2925 (XXVII) and 3073 (XXVIII) concerning the strengthening of the role of the United Nations in contemporary international relations;

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General,¹⁷ prepared pursuant to resolution 3073 (XXVIII), containing the views, suggestions and proposals of Member States regarding the strengthening of the role of the United Nations;

3. *Transmits* to its thirtieth session for consideration the views, suggestions and proposals of Member States contained in the above-mentioned report, and in any communications that may be submitted in accordance with paragraph 5 below with regard to improving the functioning and effectiveness of the General Assembly in the exercise of its responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations;

4. *Draws the attention* of the other principal organs of the United Nations to the views, suggestions and proposals of Member States contained in the relevant

sections of the report of the Secretary-General so that they may be taken into consideration in the process of effectively improving the activities and functioning of those organs and invites them to keep the General Assembly informed on this subject in such manner as they may consider appropriate;

5. *Requests* Member States to give further study to ways and means of strengthening the role of the United Nations and enhancing its effectiveness and to communicate to the Secretary-General, not later than 30 June 1975, their views, suggestions and proposals in that regard with a view to supplementing the report prepared on the basis of resolution 3073 (XXVIII);

6. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session the item entitled "Strengthening of the role of the United Nations with regard to the maintenance and consolidation of international peace and security, the development of co-operation among all nations and the promotion of the rules of international law in relations between States".

*2316th plenary meeting
12 December 1974*

3283 (XXIX). Peaceful settlement of international disputes

The General Assembly,

Noting that the Charter of the United Nations obliges Member States to settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security, and justice, are not endangered,

Recalling, in particular, that the Security Council is charged under the terms of Article 24 of the Charter with primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security, and that disputes may be brought to the attention of the Council for purposes of peaceful settlement under the provisions of Chapter VI of the Charter,

Recalling also that Article 33 of the Charter directs that parties to any dispute, the continuance of which is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security, shall, first of all, seek a solution by negotiation, inquiry, mediation, conciliation, arbitration, judicial settlement, resort to regional agencies or arrangements, or other peaceful means of their own choice,

Recalling further that the International Court of Justice is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations and, as such, is available to Members for the settlement of legal disputes, that it has recently amended the Rules of Court¹⁸ with a view to simplifying its procedure so as to avoid delays and simplify hearings, and that it may establish chambers to hear and determine cases by summary procedure allowing for the speediest possible settlement of disputes,

Mindful of the existence of other facilities and machinery available for the settlement of disputes by mediation, conciliation, arbitration or judicial settlement, including the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague and established regional agencies or arrangements,

Reaffirming that recourse to peaceful settlement of international disputes shall in no way constitute an unfriendly act between States,

¹⁷ A/9695.

¹⁸ I.C.J. Acts and Documents No. 2 (Sales number 364).