- 12. Requests the Special Committee to make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter with regard to developments in colonial Territories that are likely to threaten international peace and security, and recommends that the Council take such suggestions fully into consideration;
- 13. Requests the Special Committee to continue to examine the compliance of Member States with the Declaration and with other relevant resolutions on decolonization, particularly those relating to Namibia and Southern Rhodesia;
- 14. Requests the Special Committee to continue to pay particular attention to the small Territories, including the sending of visiting missions thereto as appropriate, and to recommend to the General Assembly the most suitable methods and also the steps to be taken to enable the populations of these Territories to exercise fully and without further delay their right to self-determination and independence;
- 15. Calls upon those administering Powers which have not done so to co-operate fully with the Special Committee in the discharge of its mandate and, in particular, to participate in the work of the Committee relating to the Territories under their administration and to permit the access of visiting missions to the Territories in order to secure first-hand information and ascertain the wishes and aspirations of their inhabitants;
- 16. Requests the Special Committee to continue to enlist the support of national and international organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization in the achievement of the objectives of the Declaration and in the implementation of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations, and in particular to assist the Economic and Social Council in its consideration of the related items on its agenda;
- 17. Requests the Secretary-General, having regard to the increased level of activities of the Special Committee, to provide the Committee with the facilities and personnel necessary for the implementation of the present resolution as well as the various resolutions on decolonization adopted by the General Assembly and the Special Committee.

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3329 (XXIX). Dissemination of information on decolonization

The General Assembly,

Having examined the chapter of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the question of publicity for the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization,²⁶

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration, as well as resolution 3164 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973 concerning the dissemination of information on decolonization,

Stressing the urgent need to arouse world public opinion on a continuous basis with a view to assisting effectively the peoples of the colonial Territories to achieve self-determination, freedom and independence and, in particular, to intensify the widespread and continuous dissemination of information on the struggle for liberation being waged by the peoples in the colonial Territories in Africa guided by their national liberation movements,

Taking into account the related suggestions of the Special Committee as well as the views expressed in that regard by representatives of the national liberation movements who participated as observers in the work of the Special Committee and the Fourth Committee,

Reiterating the importance of publicity as an instrument for furthering the aims and purposes of the Declaration and mindful of the pressing need for the Office of Public Information of the Secretariat to intensify its efforts to acquaint world public opinion with all aspects of the problems of decolonization,

Bearing in mind the increasingly important role being played in the widespread dissemination of relevant information by a number of non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization,

- 1. Approves the chapter of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the question of publicity for the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization;
- 2. Reaffirms the vital importance of urgently effecting the widest possible dissemination of information on the evils and dangers of colonialism, in particular the continuing struggle for liberation being waged by the peoples in the colonial Territories in Africa, as well as the efforts being made by the international community to assist in the elimination of the remaining vestiges of colonialism in all its forms;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, having regard to the suggestions of the Special Committee, to continue to take concrete measures through all the media at his disposal, including publications, radio and television, to give widespread and continuous publicity to the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization, to the situation in the colonial Territories and to the continuing struggle for liberation being waged by the colonial peoples and, inter alia:
- (a) To intensify the activities of all information centres, particularly those located in western Europe;
- (b) To maintain a close working relationship with the Organization of African Unity by holding periodic consultations and by systematically exchanging relevant information with that organization;
- (c) To enlist, from the non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and from those non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization, support in the dissemination of the relevant information;
- (d) To publish, in consultation with the Special Committee, the periodical Objective: Justice and the bulletin "United Nations and Southern Africa" in other languages besides English and French, as appropriate;
- 4. Further requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Special Committee and through the

²⁶ Ibid., chap. II.

Office of Public Information and the unit on information relating to decolonization established in pursuance of resolution 3164 (XXVIII), to continue to collect, prepare and disseminate, on a regular basis, basic material, studies and articles relating to the problems of decolonization, and, to that end, to make provision for the necessary personnel and facilities;

- 5. Requests Member States, in particular the administering Powers, to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the discharge of the tasks entrusted to him under paragraphs 3 and 4 above:
- 6. Invites all States, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, as well as other non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization, to undertake or intensify, in co-operation with the Secretary-General and within their respective spheres of competence, the large-scale dissemination of the information referred to in paragraph 2 above;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Special Committee on the implementation of the present resolution;
- 8. Requests the Special Committee to continue to seek suitable means for the effective dissemination of information on decolonization and, in particular, to hold consultations, as appropriate, with the Organization of African Unity and the national liberation movements concerned, as well as with the non-governmental organizations having a special interest in the field of decolonization;
- 9. Further requests the Special Committee to follow the implementation of the present resolution and report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirtieth session.

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3334 (XXIX). Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3067 (XXVIII) of 16 November 1973,

Noting the letter dated 29 August 1974 from the President of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea to the President of the General

Assembly²⁷ regarding the decisions reached at the second session of the Conference, held at Caracas from 20 June to 29 August 1974,

Noting further the decision of the Conference to invite national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity or by the League of Arab States operating in their respective regions to participate in its proceedings as observers without the right to vote,

Having considered the decision of the Conference, as contained in the letter of its President to the President of the General Assembly, that its next session should be held at Geneva from 17 March to 3 or 10 May 1975, the closing date to depend upon arrangements to be made with the World Health Organization,

Noting with satisfaction the decision of the World Health Organization, as communicated to the Secretary-General by its Director-General, to postpone the opening of the twenty-eighth World Health Assembly from 6 to 13 May 1975,²⁸

- 1. Approves the convening of the next session of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea for the period from 17 March to 10 May 1975 at Geneva:
- 2. Decides to authorize the Conference to include Arabic as an official and working language;
 - 3. Requests the Secretary-General to invite:
- (a) Papua New Guinea to attend any future session of the Conference, if independent, as a participating State and, while not independent, to attend as an observer;
- (b) The Cook Islands, Netherlands Antilles, Niue, Surinam and the West Indies Associated States to attend any future session of the Conference as observers or, if any of them becomes independent, as a participating State;
- (c) The Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to attend any future session of the Conference as an observer:
- 4. Notes the decision of the Conference to accept the invitation of the Government of Venezuela to meet at Caracas at an appropriate date for the purpose of signing the Final Act and related instruments adopted by the Conference and authorizes the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements to that end.

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Other decisions

Credentials of representatives to the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly²⁹
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At its 2281st plenary meeting, on 12 November 1974, the General Assembly, after considering the letter dated 31 October 1974 from the President of the Security Council concerning the relationship between the United Nations and

²⁷ Ibid., Twenty-ninth Session, Annexes, agenda item 26, document A/9721.

²⁸ Ibid., document A/9721/Add.1.

²⁹ See resolutions 3206 (XXIX) and 3207 (XXIX).