

1. *Invites* all States which have not done so, in particular those which are hosts to international organizations or to conferences convened by, or held under the auspices of, international organizations of a universal character, to consider as soon as possible the question of ratifying, or acceding to, the Vienna Convention on the Representation of States in Their Relations with International Organizations of a Universal Character;

2. *Calls upon* the States concerned to accord to the delegations of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States, and which are accorded observer status by international organizations, the facilities, privileges and immunities necessary for the performance of their functions in accordance with the provisions of the Vienna Convention on the Representation of States in Their Relations with International Organizations of a Universal Character;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/168. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives",

Recalling its resolution 33/140 of 19 December 1978,

Taking note of the comments made by the Secretary-General in section VII of his report on the work of the Organization,⁴⁷

Conscious of its duty to develop and strengthen friendly relations and co-operation among States,

Convinced that respect for the principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations, in particular those aimed at ensuring the inviolability of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, is a basic prerequisite for the normal conduct of relations among States and for the fulfilment of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that for the same reason it is also necessary to ensure respect for the principles and rules of international law aimed at protecting missions and representatives to international intergovernmental organizations,

Aware that respect for the principles and rules of international law concerning the status of officials of international intergovernmental organizations contributes to the promotion of international co-operation and understanding and that non-observance of those principles and rules is a matter of serious concern to the international community,

Recognizing that acts of violence against diplomatic and consular missions and representatives may seriously

affect the maintenance of friendly relations and co-operation among States,

Deeply concerned at the increasing number of violations of, or failures to observe, the relevant principles and rules of international law pertaining to the inviolability of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives,

Expressing its sympathy for the victims of illegal acts against diplomatic and consular missions and representatives,

Recalling that the principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations also contain an obligation, without prejudice to their respective privileges and immunities under international law, for all persons enjoying such privileges and immunities to respect the laws and regulations of the receiving State and not to interfere in the internal affairs of that State,

Emphasizing the need for strict observance by all States of the principles and rules of international law in order to ensure the conduct of normal diplomatic and consular relations,

1. *Deplores* all violations of the principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations;

2. *Strongly condemns* in particular all acts of violence against diplomatic and consular missions and representatives;

3. *Urges* all States to observe and to implement the principles and rules of international law governing diplomatic and consular relations;

4. *Urges* in particular all States to take all necessary measures with a view to effectively ensuring, in conformity with their international obligations, the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives in territory under their jurisdiction, including practicable measures to prohibit in their territories illegal activities of persons, groups and organizations that encourage, instigate, organize or engage in the perpetration of acts against the security and safety of such missions and representatives;

5. *Calls upon* all States which have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to the relevant conventions concerning the inviolability of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives;

6. *Calls upon* all States, in cases where a dispute arises in connexion with violation of the principles and rules of international law concerning the inviolability of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, to make use of the means for peaceful settlement of disputes, including the good offices of the Secretary-General;

7. *Invites* all States to report to the Secretary-General serious violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, and invites the State in which the violations took place to report also on measures taken to bring to justice the offenders and to prevent a repetition of such violations and eventually to communicate, in accordance with its laws, the final outcome of the proceedings against the offenders;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to circulate to all States, upon receipt, the reports received by him under the terms of paragraph 7 above, unless requested otherwise by the reporting State;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite all States to inform him of their views with respect to any measures

⁴⁷ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/35/1).

needed to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the reports and views expressed pursuant to paragraphs 7 and 9 above and invites him to submit any views he may wish to express on these issues;

11. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session an item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives".

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