

(d) To report on the progress made in the economic situation of Djibouti and in organizing and implementing the special programme of economic assistance for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session.

*109th plenary meeting
17 December 1982*

37/154. Assistance to the Comoros

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 36/212 of 17 December 1981 and its previous resolutions on assistance to the Comoros in which it appealed to the international community to provide effective and continuous financial, material and technical assistance to the Comoros in order to help that country overcome its financial and economic difficulties,

Taking note of the special problems confronting the Comoros as a developing island country and as one of the least developed countries,

Noting the priority which the Government of the Comoros has assigned to the questions of infrastructure, transport and telecommunications,

Noting also the economic difficulties arising from the country's scarcity of natural resources, compounded by recent drought and cyclones,

Noting further the grave budgetary and balance-of-payments problems facing the Comoros,

Aware of the intention of the Government of the Comoros to convene a donor's conference in the first quarter of 1983,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General,⁶² to which was annexed the report of the review mission which he sent to the Comoros in May 1982,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance to the Comoros;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the response by Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and other organizations to its appeals and those of the Secretary-General for assistance to the Comoros;

3. *Notes with concern*, however, that the assistance thus far provided continues to fall short of the country's urgent requirements and that assistance is still urgently required to carry out the projects identified in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General;⁶²

4. *Appeals* to those States and organizations invited to the donors' conference to be held in the Comoros early in 1983 to respond generously to the programme of assistance that will be presented by the Government of the Comoros at that time;

5. *Renews its appeal* to Member States, the appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, regional and international organizations and other intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations, as well as international financial institutions, to provide the Comoros with assistance to enable it to cope with its difficult economic situation and pursue its development goals;

6. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to increase their current programmes of assistance to the Comoros, to cooperate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance and to report

periodically to him on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to help that country;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to the Comoros;

(b) To keep the situation in the Comoros under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, the specialized agencies, regional and other intergovernmental organizations and the international financial institutions concerned, and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1983, of the current status of the special programme of economic assistance for the Comoros;

(c) To report on the progress made in the economic situation of the Comoros and in organizing and implementing the special programme of economic assistance for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session.

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37/155. Special economic assistance to Chad

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 36/210 of 17 December 1981 and its previous resolutions on the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of Chad and emergency humanitarian assistance to that country,

Taking note of the reports of the Secretary-General on assistance to Chad⁶³ and on the work of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator in this regard,⁶⁴ as well as of the Co-ordinator's statement,⁶⁵

Noting with satisfaction that the stability of the situation in Chad has enabled the Secretary-General to organize an international conference on assistance to Chad in late November 1982 at Geneva, in close co-operation with the Organization of African Unity and the Government of Chad,

Aware that serious destruction of property and extensive damage to the economic and social infrastructure of Chad over more than fifteen years, together with the effects of natural disasters, have placed the country in a situation of dire need,

1. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the Secretary-General on the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance for Chad;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to all States, international organizations and other agencies that have provided assistance to Chad;

3. *Renews its appeal* to all States, the appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations, regional and international organizations and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, and the international financial institutions to contribute to the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Chad through bilateral or multilateral channels, as appropriate;

4. *Notes with satisfaction* that the International Conference on Assistance to Chad was held at Geneva on 29 and 30 November 1982 and invites the States and agencies which participated to honour as soon as possible the commitments they entered into at that Conference;

⁶³ A/37/125 and Add. 1.

⁶⁴ See A/37/235 and Corr. 1, annex 1.

⁶⁵ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Second Committee, 27th meeting, paras. 1-9.*

⁶² A/37/128.

5. Notes that the Government of Chad has expressed its appreciation of the activities undertaken by the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator in Chad and requests the Co-ordinator to continue his emergency relief activities in Chad;

6. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Chad;

(b) To keep the situation in Chad under constant review and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983 on the status of the assistance provided for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Chad;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Chad and the progress made in organizing and executing the special programme of economic assistance for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session.

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37/156. Special economic assistance to Guinea-Bissau

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 35/95 of 5 December 1980, in which it reiterated its appeal to the international community to provide continuous financial, material and technical assistance to Guinea-Bissau to help it overcome its financial and economic difficulties and to permit the implementation of the projects and programmes recommended by the Secretary-General in his report of 21 August 1980⁶⁶ submitted in response to General Assembly resolution 34/121 of 14 December 1979,

Recalling also its resolution 36/217 of 17 December 1981,

Recalling further its resolution 3339 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, in which it invited Member States to provide economic assistance to the then newly independent State of Guinea-Bissau, and its resolutions 32/100 of 13 December 1977 and 33/124 of 19 December 1978, in which it, *inter alia*, expressed deep concern at the serious economic situation in Guinea-Bissau and appealed to the international community to provide financial and economic assistance to that country,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General of 15 October 1982,⁶⁷ to which was annexed the report of the mission which he sent to Guinea-Bissau in response to General Assembly resolution 36/217,

Recalling that Guinea-Bissau is one of the least developed countries,

Noting with concern that Guinea-Bissau continues to be beset by a wide range of economic and financial difficulties,

Noting that Guinea-Bissau will continue to be dependent in the years to come, for its public capital expenditure, on external sources of financing,

Also noting with concern the chronic deficit in the balance of payments of Guinea-Bissau, the substantial increase in its loans and the inordinately low level of its foreign-exchange reserves,

Noting that Guinea-Bissau is experiencing difficulties, aggravated by irregular rainfall, in its agricultural production and that it needs emergency food aid,

Noting that the Government of Guinea-Bissau, in view of the seriousness of the economic situation, decided to

implement an economic and financial stabilization programme, the main purpose of which is to remedy the economic situation,

Noting further that the Government of Guinea-Bissau is preparing a first four-year development plan 1983/1986 and proposes to hold a round table of donors during the first half of 1983,

Bearing in mind the results of the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, particularly the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries,⁶⁸

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance to Guinea-Bissau;

2. Endorses fully the assessment and recommendations contained in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General⁶⁷ and draws the attention of the international community to the requirements for assistance for the projects and programmes identified therein;

3. Expresses its appreciation to those States and organizations that have provided assistance to Guinea-Bissau in response to appeals by the General Assembly and the Secretary-General;

4. Calls upon Member States and the international organizations concerned to be generous in granting Guinea-Bissau the food aid it needs;

5. Renews its urgent appeal to Member States, regional and interregional organizations and other intergovernmental bodies to continue providing financial, material and technical assistance to Guinea-Bissau to help it overcome its economic and financial difficulties and to permit the implementation of the projects and programmes identified in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General;

6. Appeals to the international community to contribute to the special account established at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 32/100, for the purpose of facilitating the channelling of contributions to Guinea-Bissau;

7. Invites the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the special needs of Guinea-Bissau and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 July 1983;

8. Requests the appropriate specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system to report periodically to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Guinea-Bissau;

9. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Guinea-Bissau;

(b) To keep the situation in Guinea-Bissau under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, the specialized agencies, regional and other intergovernmental organizations and the international financial institutions concerned, and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1983, of the status of the special programme of economic assistance for Guinea-Bissau;

⁶⁶ A/35/343.
⁶⁷ A/37/137.
⁶⁸ Report of the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 1-14 September 1981 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.82.I.8), part one, sect. A.