matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

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38/204. Assistance to Yemen

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 37/166 of 17 December 1982 and resolution 150 (VI) of 2 July 1983 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 184

Fully aware of the grave devastation and substantial loss of life and property caused by the earthquake that struck large areas of Yemen on 12 December 1982,

Concerned about the damage caused to infrastructure, which has a far-reaching effect on the implementation of the national development plan in that country,

Taking cognizance of the fact that the cost of the reconstruction of the affected areas is estimated at approximately \$622 million,

Recognizing that Yemen, as one of the least developed countries, is unable to bear the mounting burden of the relief efforts and the reconstruction of the affected areas.

Recognizing also the efforts being made by the Government of Yemen to alleviate the effects of the earthquake,

- 1. Appeals to the developed countries and to those developing countries that are in a position to do so to contribute generously to the relief efforts and the reconstruction of the affected areas through financial contributions and the provision of the construction materials and equipment necessary to restore infrastructure and basic services in the affected areas;
- 2. Requests the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to maintain and expand their programmes of assistance to Yemen;
- 3. Expresses its gratitude to the States, the international and regional organizations and the nongovernmental organizations that have participated in the ongoing efforts undertaken for the reconstruction of the affected areas in Yemen;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1984, of the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session.

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38/205. Assistance for the development of Sierra Leone

The General Assembly,

Having heard the statement made by the Head of State of Sierra Leone before the General Assembly on 30 September 1983, 185 in which he called for support from the international community for the economic and social development of Sierra Leone,

Recalling its resolution 37/158 of 17 December 1982, in which it appealed to all States, the specialized agencies and international development and financial institutions to

provide all possible assistance for the development of Sierra Leone,

Further recalling its resolution 37/133 of 17 December 1982, in which it decided to include Sierra Leone in the list of the least developed countries,

Reiterating that the weak growth rate experienced by the economy of Sierra Leone during the period of the first National Development Plan (1973/74 to 1978/79) and the decline in real terms of per capita gross domestic product during that period have continued to persist,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, 186 to which was annexed the report of the multiagency mission he dispatched to Sierra Leone in March 1983 to consult with the Government on the additional assistance required for the economic and social development of Sierra Leone,

Aware of the need for effective mobilization of international assistance in order to implement fully the programme of assistance outlined in the report of the multiagency mission,

Noting the intention of the Government of Sierra Leone to organize, with the assistance of the United Nations Development Programme, a round-table conference of donors in 1984 to discuss the country's development needs and to consider ways and means of supplementing the development efforts of the Government,

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his reports on the economic situation of Sierra Leone and the assistance required by that country for its economic and social development;
- Endorses the assessment and recommendations of the multi-agency mission contained in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General pertaining to assistance for the development of Sierra Leone; 186
- 3. Urgently reiterates its appeal to the international community, including organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations, to contribute generously, through bilateral or multilateral channels, to the economic and social development of Sierra Leone;
- 4. Urges all States and relevant United Nations bodies-in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities—to provide all possible assistance to help the Government of Sierra Leone meet the critical humanitarian needs of the population and to provide, as appropriate, food, medicines and essential equipment for hospitals
- 5. Invites the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank, the African Development Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the special needs of Sierra Leone and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 July 1984;
- 6. Requests the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the World Bank to provide

¹⁸⁴ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Sixth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.II.D.6), part one, sect. A.

185 Official Records of the General Assembly. Thirty-eighth Session, Plenary Meetings, 13th meeting, paras. 52-71.

¹⁸⁶ A/38/211.