Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Member States referred to in paragraphs 2 (a) and (d) above;

- 4. Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 2 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 231,000 dollars approved for the above-mentioned initial period;
- 5. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in section II of its resolution 43/230 of 21 December 1988;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the United Nations Angola Verification Mission is administered with the maximum of efficiency and economy bearing in mind the relevant observations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;<sup>4</sup>
- 7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission".

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## 43/232. Financing of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the direct and legal responsibility of the United Nations for Namibia until independence, as indicated in its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966 and its subsequent relevant resolutions on the question of Namibia,

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978, by which the Council established the United Nations Transition Assistance Group for a period of up to twelve months, as well as Council resolutions 629 (1989) of 16 January 1989 and 632 (1989) of 16 February 1989.

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group<sup>6</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>7</sup>

Noting, as indicated in paragraph 5 of the explanatory statement of the Secretary-General of 9 February 1989\* approved by the Security Council in its resolution 632 (1989), that the mandate of the military component of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group, as approved by the Council in its resolution 435 (1978), remains unchanged,

Considering that, in the light of paragraphs 11 and 14 of the report of the Secretary-General and of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, in particular paragraphs 6, 8, 9 and 42 of that report, and taking into account that the number of troops to be deployed initially would be 4,650 all ranks while at the

same time the figure of 7,500 would be maintained as the upper limit," additional resources may be required for the implementation of Security Council resolution 435 (1978) in its original and definitive form,

Recognizing that the costs of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Transition Assistance Group with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Urging all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the United Nations Transition Assistance Group in full and on time, especially in view of the urgent need for and the magnitude of the start-up costs required for the Group,

Recognizing that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the United Nations Transition Assistance Group, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Transition Assistance Group,

- 1. Concurs with the observations, recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
- 2. Decides to appropriate an amount of 416,162,000 United States dollars, inclusive of the amount of 450,000 dollars authorized by the Secretary-General for pre-implementation expenses and of the amount of 10 million dollars authorized with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, under the terms of General Assembly resolution 42/227 of 21 December 1987, for the operation of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group for its mandate period beginning on 1 April 1989 as authorized by the Security Council, bearing in mind that this amount corresponds, in part, to the deployment of 4,650 troops all ranks of the authorized upper limit of 7,500 troops all ranks, and requests the Secretary-General to establish a special account for the Group;
  - 3. Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion:
- (a) An amount of 240,083,840 dollars for the abovementioned period among the States permanent members of the Security Council in the proportions determined by the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991;
- (b) An amount of 165,091,465 dollars for the abovementioned period among the economically developed Member States that are not permanent members of the Security

<sup>6</sup> A/43/997/Add.1.

<sup>7</sup> A/43/997/Add.2.

<sup>8</sup> Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-third Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1989, document \$\frac{5}{20457}\$.

Were it necessary to deploy rapidly the reserve battalions with logistic support units totalling 2,850 troops, there would be a non-recurrent cost in the amount of up to 82.2 million dollars for their emplacement at seven days' notice and a recurrent monthly cost in the amount of 7.5 million dollars.

Council in the proportions determined by the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991;

- (c) An amount of 10,786,919 dollars for the abovementioned period among the economically less developed Member States in the proportions determined by the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991;
- (d) An amount of 199,776 dollars for the above-mentioned period to the following of the economically less developed Member States in the proportions determined by the scale of assessments for the years 1989, 1990 and 1991: Afghanistan, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Yemen, Djibouti, Dominica, Ethiopia, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Somalia, Sudan, Suriname, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Vanuatu, Yemen and Zimbabwe;
- 4. Decides that, for the purpose of the present resolution, the term "economically less developed Member States" in paragraph 3 (c) above shall mean all Member States except Australia, Austria, Belgium, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Finland, the German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Member States referred to in paragraphs 3 (a) and (d) above;
- 5. Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 3 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 9,541,000 dollars approved for the abovementioned period;
- 6. Invites voluntary contributions to the United Nations Transition Assistance Group both in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the

- procedure established by the General Assembly in section II of its resolution 43/230 of 21 December 1988;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to make every effort to avail himself of the widest possible sources of procurement, consistent with the requirements of the mandate and with economy and efficiency, taking into account the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Security Council;
- 8. Also requests the Secretary-General to proceed without delay with the necessary arrangements for the funding of the programme of repatriation of refugees and exiles, which is to be carried out by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, as indicated in paragraph 42 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, taking into account that the repatriation programme is an integral part of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group operation;
- 9. Recognizes that follow-up activities to the repatriation programme, including assistance in the resettlement of refugees and exiles, are to be carried out by United Nations bodies, including, inter alia, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme and the World Health Organization, and will continue past the end of the mandate of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group;
- 10. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the United Nations Transition Assistance Group is administered with the maximum of efficiency and economy, bearing in mind the relevant observations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
- 11. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group";
- 12. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its forty-fourth and forty-fifth sessions, detailed performance reports on the budget of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group, as recommended by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in paragraph 45 of its report.

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