Observer status for the International Commit-45/6. tee of the Red Cross, in consideration of the special role and mandates conferred upon it by the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949

The General Assembly,

Recalling the mandates conferred upon the International Committee of the Red Cross by the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949,12

Considering the special role carried on accordingly by the International Committee of the Red Cross in international humanitarian relations,

Desirous of promoting co-operation between the United Nations and the International Committee of the Red Cross,

- 1. Decides to invite the International Committee of the Red Cross to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.

31st plenary meeting 16 October 1990

45/7. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly,

Having received the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1989,13

Taking note of the statement of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of 23 October 1990,14 which provides additional information on the main developments in the Agency's activities during 1990.

Recognizing the importance of the work of the Agency to promote further the application of atomic energy for peaceful purposes, as envisaged in its statute,

Also recognizing the special needs of the developing countries for technical assistance by the Agency in order to benefit effectively from the application of nuclear technology for peaceful purposes as well as from the contribution of nuclear energy to their economic development,

Conscious of the importance of the work of the Agency in the implementation of safeguards provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons¹⁵ and other international treaties, conventions and agreements designed to achieve similar objectives, as well as in ensuring, as far as it is able, that the assistance provided by the Agency or at its request or under its supervision or control is not used in such a way as to further any military purpose, as stated in article II of its statute,

¹² United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 75, Nos. 970-973.

Further recognizing the importance of the work of the Agency on nuclear power, nuclear safety, radiological protection and radioactive waste management, including its work directed towards assisting developing countries in planning for the introduction of nuclear power in accordance with their needs,

Again stressing the need for the highest standards of safety in the design and operation of nuclear plants so as to minimize risks to life, health and the environment,

Bearing in mind resolutions GC(XXXIV)/RES/526 on Israeli nuclear capabilities and threat, GC(XXXIV)/ RES/529 on measures to strengthen international cooperation in matters relating to nuclear safety and radiological protection, GC(XXXIV)/RES/530 on the Code of Practice on the International Transboundary Movement of Radioactive Waste, GC(XXXIV)/RES/ 531 on the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, GC(XXXIV)/RES/532 on nuclear guidelines for nuclear-powered vessels, GC(XXXIV)/RES/533 on the prohibition of armed attacks against nuclear installations devoted to peaceful purposes whether under construction or in operation, GC(XXXIV)/RES/540 entitled "Plan for producing potable water economically" and GC(XXXIV)/RES/545 on South Africa's nuclear capabilities, adopted on 21 September 1990 by the General Conference of the Agency at its thirty-fourth regular session,

- Takes note of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;13
- 2. Affirms its confidence in the role of the Agency in the application of nuclear energy for peaceful pur-
- 3. Urges all States to strive for effective and harmonious international co-operation in carrying out the work of the Agency, pursuant to its statute; in promoting the use of nuclear energy and the application of the necessary measures to strengthen further the safety of nuclear installations and to minimize risks to life, health and the environment; in strengthening technical assistance and co-operation for developing countries; and in ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of the Agency's safeguards system;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Director General of the Agency the records of the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly relating to the Agency's activities.

33rd plenary meeting 23 October 1990

45/8. Tenth anniversary of the University for Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 33/109 of 18 December 1978, 34/111 of 14 December 1979 and 35/55 of 5 December 1980, on the establishment of the University for Peace,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/2 of 24 May 1985 and 1986/6 of 21 May 1986 and its resolution 41/175 of 5 December 1986,

Taking into account the positive contribution which the University has made to the cause of peace through the various international programmes it has developed during its first ten years, in particular those focusing on Central America, as a contribution to efforts to pro-

¹³ International Atomic Energy Agency, The Annual Report for 1989 (Austria, July 1990), (GC(XXXIV/915)); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/45/371).

¹⁴ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Plenary Meetings, 32nd meeting (A/45/PV.32).

15 Resolution 2373 (XXII), annex.

mote peace, security and trust amongst the countries of the region and the economic and social development of that part of the American continent,

Bearing in mind that 1990 marks the end of the first decade of continuous work and activities by this institution dedicated to research and education for peace,

- 1. Welcomes the fact that in 1990 the University for Peace completes its first decade of activities in the cause of peace, in accordance with the purposes and objectives for which it was established;
- 2. Invites Member States to accede to the International Agreement for the Establishment of the University for Peace;¹⁶
- 3. Appeals to Member States and governmental and non-governmental agencies which provide financial assistance for research to make financial contributions in order further to advance the objectives of the University;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to establish an agreement on co-operation between the United Nations and the University, in accordance with the Charter of the University;¹⁶
- 5. Expresses its appreciation to Costa Rica, the host country, for its valuable support and contribution to the operation of the University;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the present appeal to all Member States so as to ensure the smooth operation of the University;
- 7. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

34th plenary meeting 24 October 1990

45/9. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference,¹⁷

Taking into account the desire of both organizations to co-operate more closely in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order,

Recalling the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations which encourage activities through regional cooperation for the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Noting the strengthening of co-operation between the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions,

Noting with satisfaction the co-ordination meeting of the focal points of the lead agencies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions, held at Vienna from 12 to 14 December 1989, as called for in General Assembly resolution 44/8 of 18 October 1989, 18

Noting also the encouraging progress made in the seven priority areas of co-operation as well as in the identification of other areas of co-operation,

Convinced that the strengthening of co-operation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference contributes to the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Noting with appreciation the desire of both organizations to strengthen further the existing co-operation by developing specific proposals in the designated priority areas of co-operation,

Recognizing the need for closer co-operation between the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions in the implementation of the proposals adopted at the co-ordination meeting of the focal points of the lead agencies of the two organizations,

Recalling its resolutions 37/4 of 22 October 1982, 38/4 of 28 October 1983, 39/7 of 8 November 1984, 40/4 of 25 October 1985, 41/3 of 16 October 1986, 42/4 of 15 October 1987, 43/2 of 17 October 1988 and 44/8 of 18 October 1989,

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General;¹⁷
- 2. Approves the conclusions and recommendations of the co-ordination meeting of the focal points of the lead agencies of the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;¹⁹
- 3. Notes with satisfaction the active participation of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in the work of the United Nations towards the realization of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;
- 4. Requests the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference to continue co-operation in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order;
- 5. Encourages the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to continue to expand their co-operation with the Organization of the Islamic Conference, particularly by negotiating co-operation agreements, and invites them to multiply the contacts and meetings of the focal points for co-operation in priority areas of interest to the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- 6. Recommends that a general meeting between representatives of the secretariats of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions, as called for in resolution 44/8, be organized in 1991 at a date and place to be determined through consultations with the concerned organizations;

¹⁶ See resolution 35/55, annex.

¹⁷ A/45/526 and Add.1.

¹⁸ A/45/526/Add.1.

¹⁹ Ibid., paras. 7-48.