

5. *Decides* that the Special Committee shall henceforth be open to all States Members of the United Nations and that it will continue to operate on the basis of the practice of consensus;

6. *Decides also* that the Special Committee shall be authorized to accept the participation of observers of States other than States Members of the United Nations which are members of specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency in its meetings, and further decides to invite intergovernmental organizations to participate in the debate in the plenary meetings of the Committee on specific items when it considers that such participation would assist in the work;

7. *Invites* the Special Committee at its session in 1996 to identify new subjects for consideration in its future work with a view to contributing to the revitalization of the work of the United Nations, and to discuss how to offer its assistance to the working groups of the General Assembly in this field;

8. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at the fifty-first session;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session the item entitled "Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization".

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#### 50/53. Measures to eliminate international terrorism

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 49/60 of 9 December 1994, by which it adopted the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism,

*Recalling also* that, in the statement issued on 31 January 1992 by the President of the Security Council on the occasion of the meeting of the Security Council at the level of heads of State and Government,<sup>52</sup> the members of the Council expressed their deep concern over acts of international terrorism, and emphasized the need for the international community to deal effectively with all such acts,

*Recalling further* the Declaration on the Occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations,<sup>53</sup>

*Deeply disturbed* by the persistence of terrorist acts, which have taken place worldwide,

*Stressing* the need further to strengthen international co-operation between States and between international organizations and agencies, regional organizations and arrangements and the United Nations in order to prevent, combat and eliminate terrorism in all its forms and manifestations,

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General of 24 August 1995,<sup>54</sup>

1. *Strongly condemns* all acts, methods and practices of terrorism as criminal and unjustifiable;

2. *Reiterates* that criminal acts intended or calculated to provoke a state of terror in the general public, a group

of persons or particular persons for political purposes are in any circumstance unjustifiable, whatever the considerations of a political, philosophical, ideological, racial, ethnic, religious or any other nature that may be invoked to justify them;<sup>55</sup>

3. *Reaffirms* the Declaration on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism annexed to resolution 49/60;

4. *Urges* all States to promote and implement effectively and in good faith the provisions of the Declaration in all its aspects;

5. *Also urges* all States to strengthen cooperation with one another to ensure that those who participate in terrorist activities, whatever the nature of their participation, find no safe haven anywhere;

6. *Calls upon* all States to take the necessary steps to implement their obligations under existing international conventions, to observe fully the principles of international law and to contribute to the further development of international law on this matter;

7. *Recalls* the role of the Security Council in combating international terrorism whenever it poses a threat to international peace and security;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow up closely the implementation of the Declaration and to submit an annual report on the implementation of paragraph 10 of the Declaration, taking into account the modalities set out in his report<sup>56</sup> and the views expressed by States in the debate of the Sixth Committee during the fiftieth session of the General Assembly;<sup>56</sup>

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-first session the item entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism".

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#### 50/54. Review of the procedure provided for under article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>57</sup>

*Noting* that the procedure provided for under article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations has not proved to be a constructive or useful element in the adjudication of staff disputes within the Organization, and noting also the views of the Secretary-General to that effect,

1. *Decides* to amend the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations with respect to judgements rendered by the Tribunal after 31 December 1995 as follows:

(a) Delete article 11;

(b) Renumber former articles 12, 13 and 14 as articles 11, 12 and 13, respectively, and in paragraph 3 of article 9 substitute the words "article 13" for "article 14";

(c) Amend paragraph 2 of article 10 by substituting the words "article 11" for "articles 11 and 12";

<sup>55</sup>See resolution 49/60, annex, para. 3.

<sup>52</sup>Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-seventh Year, Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1992, p.65, document S/23500.

<sup>53</sup>Resolution 50/6.

<sup>54</sup>A/50/372 and Add.1.

<sup>56</sup>See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fiftieth Session, Sixth Committee, 6th to 10th and 46th meetings, and corrigendum.

<sup>57</sup>A/C.6/49/2.