

tation, for future sessions of the Committee on Natural Resources;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its organizational session for 1986 on the action taken in this regard.

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**1985/56. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon**

*The Economic and Social Council*

1. *Takes note with interest* of the oral report made on 9 July 1985 by the representative of the United Nations Co-ordinator of Assistance for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon pursuant to General Assembly resolution 39/197 of 17 December 1984;

2. *Appeals* to all Member States and to organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to continue and intensify their efforts to mobilize all possible assistance to the Government of Lebanon in its efforts for reconstruction and development, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

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**1985/57. Assistance to the Palestinian people**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 39/224 of 18 December 1984,

*Recalling also* Council resolution 1984/56 of 25 July 1984,

*Recalling further* the Programme of Action for the Achievement of Palestinian Rights, adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine,<sup>14</sup>

*Noting* the need to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people;<sup>15</sup>

2. *Notes* the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people which was held at Geneva on 5 and 8 July 1985 in response to General Assembly resolution 39/224;

3. *Expresses its thanks* to the Secretary-General for convening the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people;

<sup>14</sup> *Report of the International Conference on the Question of Palestine, Geneva, 29 August-7 September 1983* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.I.21), chap. I, sect. B.

<sup>15</sup> A/40/353-E/1985/115 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.

4. *Regards* such a meeting as a valuable opportunity to assess progress in economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people and to explore ways and means of enhancing such assistance;

5. *Draws the attention* of the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the need to disburse their aid to the occupied Palestinian territories only for the benefit of the Palestinian people;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To review the progress made in the implementation of the proposed activities and projects described in the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people;

(b) To take all necessary steps to finalize the programme of economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people requested in General Assembly resolution 38/145 of 19 December 1983;

(c) To convene in 1986 a meeting of the relevant programmes, organizations, agencies, funds and organs of the United Nations system to consider economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people;

(d) To provide for the participation in the meeting of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the Arab host countries and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

7. *Requests* the relevant programmes, organizations, agencies, funds and organs of the United Nations system to intensify their efforts, in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people;

8. *Also requests* that United Nations assistance to the Palestinians in the Arab host countries should be rendered in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization and with the consent of the Arab host Government concerned;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-first session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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**1985/58. Economic development projects in the occupied Palestinian territories**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Aware* of the Israeli restrictions imposed on the foreign trade of the occupied Palestinian territories,

*Aware also* of the imposed domination of the Palestinian market by Israel,

*Taking into account* the need to give Palestinian firms and products direct access to external markets without Israeli interference,

Noting the lack of progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 39/223 of 18 December 1984, as reflected in the report of the Secretary-General on economic development projects in the occupied Palestinian territories,<sup>16</sup>

1. *Calls* for the urgent lifting of the Israeli restrictions imposed on the economy of the occupied Palestinian territories;

2. *Recognizes* the Palestinian interest in establishing a seaport in the occupied Gaza Strip to give Palestinian firms and products direct access to external markets;

3. *Calls upon* all concerned to facilitate the establishment of a seaport in the occupied Gaza Strip;

4. *Also calls upon* all concerned to facilitate the establishment of a cement plant in the occupied West Bank and a citrus plant in the occupied Gaza Strip;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to facilitate the establishment of the above-mentioned projects and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-first session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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**1985/59. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Bearing in mind* that 1985 marks the fortieth anniversary of the founding of the United Nations, as well as the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General<sup>17</sup> and the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council<sup>18</sup> concerning the question of the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

*Having heard* the statements of the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the representative of the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid*,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and

Peoples, and all other resolutions adopted by United Nations bodies on this subject, including in particular Assembly resolution 39/43 of 5 December 1984 and Council resolution 1984/55 of 25 July 1984,

*Deeply concerned* that the objectives of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration have not been fully achieved as regards the peoples under colonial and alien domination, particularly those struggling in Namibia and South Africa under the repressive rule of the racist régime of Pretoria.

*Reaffirming* the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to take all effective measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to assist in the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies,

*Noting with deep concern* that South Africa presents a serious and continuing threat to international peace and security owing to its practice of *apartheid*, its illegal occupation of Namibia and its acts of aggression and destabilization against the front-line and neighbouring States,

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 566 (1985) of 19 June 1985, in which the Council, *inter alia*, condemned the racist régime of South Africa for its installation of a so-called interim Government in Namibia and declared that action to be illegal and null and void,

*Reaffirming* that the denial of full political and civil rights to the majority of the population of South Africa is the result of the continuation of a colonial situation in that country,

*Deeply conscious* of the continuing critical need of the people of Namibia and their national liberation movement, the South West Africa People's Organization, for concrete assistance from the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations in their struggle for liberation from the illegal occupation of their country by the racist minority régime of South Africa,

*Appreciating* that progress has been maintained through the continuing efforts of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the extension of assistance to refugees from southern Africa,

*Deeply concerned* that the action taken thus far by the organizations and agencies concerned in the provision of assistance generally to the people of Namibia is still far from adequate to meet their urgent and growing needs,

*Gravely concerned* at the continued collaboration of the International Monetary Fund with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of relevant General Assembly resolutions,

*Noting with satisfaction* the continuing efforts of the United Nations Development Programme in the extension of assistance to the national liberation movements

<sup>16</sup> A/40/367-E/1985/116.

<sup>17</sup> A/40/318.

<sup>18</sup> E/1985/114.