

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORTS OF THE SPECIAL
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1375 (XIV). Question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Union of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1248 (XIII) of 30 October 1958 on the question of race conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Union of South Africa,

Deeply convinced that the practice of racial discrimination and segregation is opposed to the observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Considering that government policies which accentuate or seek to preserve racial discrimination are prejudicial to international harmony,

Noting with concern that the policy of *apartheid* is still being pursued,

1. *Expresses its opposition* to the continuance or preservation of racial discrimination in any part of the world;

2. *Solemnly calls upon* all Member States to bring their policies into conformity with their obligation under the Charter of the United Nations to promote the observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

3. *Expresses its deep regret and concern* that the Government of the Union of South Africa has not yet responded to appeals of the General Assembly that it reconsider governmental policies which impair the right of all racial groups to enjoy the same fundamental rights and freedoms;

4. *Appeals* to all Member States to use their best endeavours as appropriate to achieve the purposes of the present resolution.

*838th plenary meeting,
17 November 1959.*

1404 (XIV). Question of an increase in the membership of the Security Council and of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly,

Realizing that many delegations have expressed the opinion that, in view of the considerable increase in the membership of the United Nations in recent years, there should be an increase in the membership of the Security Council and the Economic and Social Council which would make it possible to improve the present distribution of seats in those organs,

Recalling its resolution 1300 (XIII) of 10 December 1958, in which it recognized that, in view of the increase in the membership of the United Nations since its establishment, an increase in the membership of the Economic and Social Council is desirable,

Noting that an increase in the membership of those organs would necessitate the amendment of certain provisions of the Charter of the United Nations,

Expressing the hope that the strong desire manifested by a large number of Member States will help to bring about such amendment at the earliest opportunity,

Considering that, in order to solve this problem, further efforts must be made with a view to obtaining the agreement of the greatest possible number of Member States,

1. *Decides* that items relating to an increase in the membership of the Security Council and of the Economic and Social Council shall be placed on the provisional agenda of its fifteenth session;

2. *Declares* that, if progress is not made during the fifteenth session of the General Assembly towards the achievement of an increase in the membership of the Security Council and of the Economic and Social Council, the Assembly should set up at that session a committee to study the possibilities of arriving at an agreement which will facilitate the amendment of the