

ensure the participation of an increasing number of jurists of developing countries;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to forward to the International Law Commission the records of the discussion on the report of the Commission at the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly;

## II

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the International Law Commission for its valuable work on the question of succession of States in respect of treaties and to the Special Rapporteurs on the topic for their contribution to this work;

2. *Invites* Member States to submit to the Secretary-General, not later than 1 August 1975, their written comments and observations on the draft articles on succession of States in respect of treaties contained in the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its twenty-sixth session,<sup>10</sup> including comments and observations on proposals referred to in paragraph 75 of that report, which the Commission was prevented from discussing by lack of time, and on the procedure by which and the form in which work on the draft articles should be completed;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to circulate, before the thirtieth session of the General Assembly, the comments and observations submitted in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirtieth session an item entitled "Succession of States in respect of treaties".

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### 3316 (XXIX). Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its seventh session,<sup>13</sup>

*Recalling* its resolution 2205 (XXI) of 17 December 1966, by which it established the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and defined the object and terms of reference of the Commission,

*Further recalling* its resolutions 2421 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968, 2502 (XXIV) of 12 November 1969, 2635 (XXV) of 12 November 1970, 2766 (XXVI) of 17 November 1971, 2928 (XXVII) of 28 November 1972 and 3108 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973 concerning the reports of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its first to sixth sessions,

*Reaffirming its conviction* that the progressive harmonization and unification of international trade law, in reducing or removing legal obstacles to the flow of international trade, especially those affecting the developing countries, would significantly contribute to universal economic co-operation among all States on a basis of equality and to the elimination of discrimination in international trade and, thereby, to the well-being of all peoples,

<sup>13</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/9617).*

*Bearing in mind* that the Trade and Development Board of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, at its fourteenth session, took note with appreciation<sup>14</sup> of the report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its seventh session;

2. *Commends* the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law for the progress made in its work and for its efforts to enhance the efficiency of its working methods;

3. *Notes with satisfaction* that work on uniform rules on the liability of ocean carriers for loss, damage or delay with respect to cargo is nearing completion and that a draft convention setting forth such rules will be transmitted to Governments and interested international organizations in 1975 for their comments;

4. *Recommends* that the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law should:

(a) Continue in its work to pay special attention to the topics to which it has decided to give priority, namely, the international sale of goods, international payments, international commercial arbitration and international legislation on shipping;

(b) Continue to consider the legal problems presented by different kinds of multinational enterprises and the advisability of preparing uniform rules governing the liability for damage caused by products intended for or involved in international trade, in accordance with the decisions thereon adopted by the Commission at its seventh session;

(c) Intensify its work on training and assistance in the field of international trade law, taking into account the special interests of the developing countries;

(d) Maintain a close collaboration with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and continue to collaborate with international organizations active in the field of international trade law;

(e) Continue to give special consideration to the interests of developing countries and to bear in mind the special problems of land-locked countries;

(f) Keep its programme of work and working methods under review with the aim of increasing the effectiveness of its work;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to forward to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law the records of the discussions at the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly on the Commission's report on the work of its seventh session.

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### 3317 (XXIX). United Nations Conference on Prescription (Limitation) in the International Sale of Goods

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 2929 (XXVII) of 28 November 1972 and 3104 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973 on the convening of a United Nations Conference on Prescription (Limitation) in the International Sale of Goods,

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 15 (A/9615/Rev.1), para. 539.