applications, particularly for the benefit of developing countries;

12. Requests the specialized agencies to continue their co-operation with the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and to provide it with progress reports on their work relating to the peaceful uses of outer space;

13. Requests the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space to continue its work, in accordance with the present resolution and previous resolutions of the General Assembly, to consider, as appropriate, new projects in outer space activities and to submit a report to the Assembly at its thirty-sixth session, including its views on which subjects should be studied in the future.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/16 of 10 November 1978, in which it decided to convene a Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and to designate the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space as the Preparatory Committee for the Conference, and the Scientific and Technical Sub-Committee to serve as the Advisory Committee to the Preparatory Committee,

Recalling also its resolution 34/67 of 5 December 1979, in which it endorsed the recommendations of the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space concerning:

(a) The provisional agenda of the Conference,
(b) The preparation and organization of the Conference, including the secretariat, bureau and form of the Conference,
(c) The ceiling for the cost of the Conference,

Having considered the report of the Preparatory Committee,13

1. Endorses the recommendations contained in the report of the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;
2. Decides to accept the offer of the Government of Austria to host the Conference at Vienna from 9 to 21 August 1982;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to invite:
(a) All States to participate in the Conference;
(b) Namibia, represented by the United Nations Council for Namibia, to participate in the Conference;
(c) Representatives of organizations that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under its auspices in the capacity of observers to participate in the Conference in that capacity, in accordance with Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 31/152 of 20 December 1976;
(d) Representatives of the national liberation movements recognized in its region by the Organization of African Unity to participate as observers, in accordance with Assembly resolution 3280 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974;
(e) The specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as interested organs of the United Nations, to be represented at the Conference;
(f) Interested intergovernmental organizations to be represented by observers at the Conference;
(g) Directly concerned non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to be represented by observers at the Conference;
4. Requests the Secretary-General to make, within the ceiling of expenditure established for the Conference, the necessary organizational, administrative and publicity arrangements as set out in the report of the Preparatory Committee;
5. Invites Member States to submit national papers for the Conference not later than 15 June 1981;
6. Invites Member States actively to promote, to the extent possible, public awareness of the Conference by distributing relevant information through their national radio and television networks, as well as through the efficient use of other mass media;
7. Welcomes the decision of the United Nations Postal Administration to issue a special stamp commemorating the exploration and peaceful uses of outer space;
8. Invites Member States to issue special national stamps of a commemorative nature;
9. Requests the Preparatory Committee and its Advisory Committee to continue the preparatory work for the Conference.

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35/16. Enlargement of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

The General Assembly,

Noting that the advance of science and technology has enhanced the knowledge of, and interest in, the peaceful uses of outer space and international co-operation in this important field, to the benefit of mankind and to the advantage of all States, whatever their level of economic and scientific development,

Aware of the need to ensure that the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space carries out its work in the most effective way,

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1. Takes note of the request of a Member State for admission to membership in the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;14
2. Decides, accordingly, to increase the membership of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space from forty-seven to forty-eight;

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1. Takes note of the fact that other States have expressed interest in becoming members of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space;15

14 A/SPC/35/4.
15 See A/SPC/35/5.
2. Decides to expand the membership of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space from forty-eight to a maximum of fifty-three;

3. Requests the President of the General Assembly, after consultation with the regional groups, to appoint no more than five new members of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

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The President of the General Assembly subsequently informed the Secretary-General that, in accordance with section II, paragraph 3, of the above resolution, he had named Spain, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Upper Volta, Uruguay and Viet Nam as additional members of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, and that he had also appointed Greece as a member of the Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Turkey.

As a result of the above appointments, the Committee is composed of the following Member States: Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, Ecuador, Egypt, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Sierra Leone, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Cameroon, United States of America, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam and Yugoslavia.

35/121. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,


Reaffirming once again the fundamental importance of the maintenance of international peace and security by the United Nations as set out in the Charter of the United Nations,

Having examined the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations, 16

Noting with regret the difficulties being experienced by the Special Committee in carrying out its mandate,

Emphasizing again that only by a greater demonstration of political will and conciliation can progress be achieved,

1. Takes note of the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations;

2. Repeats its invitations to Member States to report and to provide information on experience gained in peace-keeping operations;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a further compilation of the replies submitted in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4. Urges again the Special Committee, in accordance with its mandate, to renew its efforts to work towards the completion of agreed guidelines which will govern the conduct of peace-keeping operations of the United Nations in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and to devote further attention to specific questions related to the practical implementation of peace-keeping operations;

5. Requests the Special Committee to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled “Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects”.

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35/122. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories

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The General Assembly,


Considering that the promotion of respect for the obligations arising from the Charter of the United Nations and other instruments and rules of international law is among the basic purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, 14

Noting that Israel and those Arab States whose territories have been occupied by Israel since June 1967 are parties to that Convention,

Taking into account that States parties to that Convention undertake, in accordance with article I thereof, not only to respect but also to ensure respect for the Convention in all circumstances,

1. Reaffirms that the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, is applicable to Palestinian and other Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem;

2. Strongly deplores the failure of Israel to acknowledge the applicability of that Convention to the territories it has occupied since 1967;

3. Calls again upon Israel to acknowledge and to comply with the provisions of that Convention in Palestinian and other Arab territories it has occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem;

4. Urges once more all States parties to that Convention to exert all efforts in order to ensure respect for and compliance with its provisions in Palestinian and