proposed review mission on the current refugee situation in Somalia to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1981.

11. Further requests the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the High Commissioner, to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/181. Situation of refugees in the Sudan

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolutions 1980/10 of 28 April 1980 and 1980/45 of 23 July 1980, by which the Council requested the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to send an interagency mission to the Sudan to assess the needs and the magnitude of assistance required for the financing of the programmes for the relief and settlement of refugees and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session,

Having heard the statement of the High Commissioner concerning the report of the Secretary-General on the visit of the interagency mission to the Sudan from 12 to 22 June 1980,

Noting with appreciation that the Government of the Sudan, with the help of the High Commissioner and the international community, held an important and well-attended conference at Khartoum from 20 to 22 June 1980, entitled “International Conference on Refugees in the Sudan”

Deeply concerned that the assistance rendered to the Sudan falls far short of today’s needs required to set in motion the process of rehabilitation, settlement and community development, together with the strengthening of national services to cope with the significant addition to the population caused by the continuing massive influx of refugees,

Recognizing the need for continued financial and material support from the international community to the refugees in the Sudan,

Recognizing further that the presence of large numbers of refugees in the Sudan and the continued influx of more refugees put grave pressures and strains on that country’s limited resources,

1. Commends the Secretary-General for sending an interagency mission to the Sudan and for the comprehensive report prepared by the mission on the needs and the magnitude of assistance required for refugees in the Sudan;

2. Takes note with satisfaction of the assistance that has been rendered for refugees in the Sudan by several Member States, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

3. Endorses the report of the interagency mission to the Sudan and the recommendations contained therein;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to circulate the report to Member States, international organizations and voluntary agencies and to appeal to them, in close co-ordination with the High Commissioner, to provide generous contributions to the refugees in the Sudan on the basis of the report of the mission;

5. Requests the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the High Commissioner, to send, as a matter of urgency, follow-up missions to carry out feasibility studies with a view to strengthening the capacity of the Government of the Sudan to pursue cost-effective strategies and to plan and locate new settlements as an integral part of over-all rural and urban development, on the basis of the recommendations of the mission;

6. Appeals to Member States, the High Commissioner, the United Nations organizations concerned and voluntary agencies to render maximum financial and material assistance to the Government of the Sudan in its efforts to provide shelter, food and other services to the growing number of refugees in that country;

7. Commends the initiative and endeavours of the Sudan in convening at Khartoum the International Conference on Refugees in the Sudan to draw the attention of the international community to the plight of 473,000 refugees and to the magnitude and complexity of their situation;

8. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1981 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/182. Humanitarian assistance to refugees in Djibouti

The General Assembly,

Having heard the statement of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General, the annex to which contains the report on the assessment of the needs of the refugees in Djibouti, as prepared by the interagency mission which visited Djibouti from 5 to 11 June 1980,

Noting with satisfaction the oral report of the High Commissioner with respect to assistance to the refugees in Djibouti,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolutions 1980/11 of 28 April 1980 and 1980/44 of 23 July 1980 on assistance to the refugees in Djibouti,

Aware of the consequences of the social and economic burden placed on the Government and people of Djibouti as a result of the influx of refugees and the subsequent impact on the national development and infrastructure of that country,

Noting with appreciation the concern and continued efforts of the Office of the High Commissioner, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children’s Fund, the World Health Organization, the World Food Programme and the non-governmental organizations which have worked closely with the Government of Djibouti on the relief and rehabilitation programme for the refugees in that country,

1. Appreciates the action taken by the Secretary-General in arranging and dispatching the interagency mission to Djibouti to assess the needs of the refugees;
2. Takes note with appreciation of the oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and of the assessment of the needs of the refugees in Djibouti contained in the report prepared by the mission;

3. Endorses the report of the mission to Djibouti and the recommendations contained therein;

4. Invites the High Commissioner to continue his humanitarian assistance to the refugees in Djibouti;

5. Requests the High Commissioner to continue to ensure that adequate assistance programmes are organized for the refugees, to keep the refugee situation in Djibouti under constant review and to maintain close contact with Member States and the governmental and non-governmental organizations concerned to mobilize the necessary assistance to the Government of Djibouti to cope effectively with the refugee situation;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1981 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/183. Assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia

The General Assembly,
Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/39 of 1 August 1978, by which the Council requested the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in co-operation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Children’s Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Health Organization and other specialized agencies, as well as non-governmental and voluntary organizations, to render maximum possible assistance to the Governments of the countries in the Horn of Africa,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/54 of 24 July 1980, by which the Council requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with the High Commissioner, to appeal to the international community to find ways and means of mobilizing urgently humanitarian assistance for displaced persons and voluntary returnees in Ethiopia,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia, prepared pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/8 of 28 April 1980,

Having heard the statement of the representative of the Secretary-General, in which he requested the assistance of the international community in carrying out the recommendations and proposals contained in the report,

Having heard the statement of the Commissioner for Relief and Rehabilitation of Ethiopia, in which he outlined the grave situation facing the large number of displaced persons in Ethiopia and the difficulties encountered by his Government in providing for their relief and rehabilitation,

Taking note of the appeal of the Secretary-General in his note verbae of 11 November 1980,

1. Endorses the appeal of the Secretary-General in which he urged Governments and international organizations to provide prompt and generous assistance to displaced persons;

2. Endorses also the appeal of the Economic and Social Council to Member States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to assist the Government of Ethiopia in its efforts to provide relief and rehabilitation to displaced persons;

3. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia and the recommendations contained therein;

4. Commends the Secretary-General for the preparation of the comprehensive report on the needs of displaced persons in Ethiopia;

5. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to continue his efforts to mobilize humanitarian assistance for the relief and rehabilitation of certified voluntary returnees;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1981 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/184. Assistance to student refugees in southern Africa

The General Assembly,
Recalling its resolution 34/174 of 17 December 1979, in which it, inter alia, noted with concern the continued influx into Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland and Zambia of student refugees from Namibia and South Africa and the urgent need to provide facilities for their care, health and education,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, the annex to which contains the findings of the review missions sent by him to Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland and Zambia in May and June 1980 to examine the status of the programmes of assistance to student refugees in southern Africa,

Conscious of the responsibilities and obligations shared by the international community to assist the countries of asylum by providing financial and material assistance to enable them to cope with the influx of these student refugees,

Convinced that the discriminatory policies and repressive measures being applied in South Africa and Namibia will lead to a further exodus of student refugees from these countries,

Recognizing the need to strengthen the capacity of the countries of asylum to deal with any new emergency which may develop as a result of a sudden influx of student refugees from Namibia and South Africa,

Disturbed by the adverse effects which the application of apartheid, particularly the bantustan policy, is having on settled communities living in South Africa in areas bordering Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland, and

107 Ibid., 53rd meeting, paras. 40-46.
108 A/35/149.