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,

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 verbale 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
by the consequent flight into those three countries of large numbers of families, including children of school age.

Aware of the problems confronting the Governments of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland created by the entry into their school systems of large numbers of children from the South African side of the border and their need to determine more precisely the number of children involved and the extent of the assistance required to relieve the Governments of this particular burden.

Recognizing the need to enable former student refugees from Zimbabwe to continue their education in neighbouring countries until alternative arrangements can be made for their education in their own country,

1. Endorses the assessments and recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General and commends him and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on their efforts to mobilize resources and organize the programme of assistance to student refugees in the host countries of southern Africa;

2. Expresses its appreciation to the Governments of Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland and Zambia for the assistance which they are giving to the student refugees and for the extent of co-operation which they have extended to the Secretary-General and to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on matters concerning the welfare of these refugees;

3. Notes with satisfaction the financial and material support provided for the student refugee programme by Member States, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, other bodies of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

4. Decides to make provision in the student refugee programme for former student refugees from Zimbabwe until they complete their studies in the country of asylum or until alternative arrangements can be made for the completion of their education in their own country;

5. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to organize and implement an effective programme of educational and other appropriate assistance for student refugees from Namibia and South Africa who have taken asylum in Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland and Zambia;

6. Urges all Member States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to contribute generously to the assistance programmes for these students, through financial support of the regular programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and of the projects identified in the report of the Secretary-General;

7. Appeals to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Food Programme, the World Bank and the United Nations Children's Fund, as well as other international and non-governmental bodies, to provide humanitarian and development assistance to expedite the resettlement and integration of refugee families from South Africa who have been given asylum in Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland;

8. Calls upon all agencies and programmes of the United Nations system to co-operate with the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the implementation of humanitarian programmes of assistance for the student refugees in southern Africa;

9. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to continue to keep the matter under review and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1981, of the current status of the programmes, and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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35/185. Human rights in Bolivia

The General Assembly,

Noting that all Member States have an obligation to respect and promote human rights in accordance with the responsibilities they have undertaken under various international instruments,

Recalling its resolution 34/175 of 17 December 1979 on effective action against mass and flagrant violations of human rights,

Having taken cognizance of reports on violations of human rights in Bolivia,

Taking note with satisfaction of the decision of the Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States to include the question of Bolivia in the agenda for its tenth regular session, and of resolution 308 of 25 July 1980 of its Permanent Council;104

Taking note also of the letter of the Bolivian authorities to the Secretary-General, dated 29 October 1980, indicating their readiness to fix a date on which a delegation from the Commission on Human Rights may visit Bolivia,105

1. Urges the Bolivian authorities to ensure respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, including freedom of expression and trade union rights;

2. Requests the Commission on Human Rights to accept the invitation by the Bolivian authorities, in order to study the human rights situation at first hand and to review at its thirty-seventh session the human rights situation in Bolivia.

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35/186. Exchange of information on banned hazardous chemicals and unsafe pharmaceutical products

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 34/173 of 17 December 1979, in which it recognized the urgent need to take concrete measures to prevent adverse effects on health on a world-wide basis,

Noting with regret that the Secretary-General was unable to present the report requested in General Assembly resolution 34/173,106


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