
1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;\(^{20}\)

2. Expresses its satisfaction with the increase in the number of States which have ratified the Convention or acceded thereto;

3. Reaffirms once again its conviction that ratification of or accession to the Convention on a universal basis and implementation of its provisions are necessary for the realization of the objectives of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

4. Requests States which have not yet become parties to the Convention to ratify it or accede to it;

5. Appeals to States parties to the Convention to study the possibility of making the declaration provided for in article 14 of the Convention;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to submit to the General Assembly annual reports concerning the status of the Convention, in accordance with Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX) of 21 December 1965.

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The General Assembly,


Recalling also Commission on Human Rights resolutions 13 (XXXIII) of 11 March 1977, \(^{21}\) 7 (XXIV) of 22 February 1978, \(^{21}\) 10 (XXXV) of 5 March 1979, \(^{22}\) and 12 (XXXVI) and 13 (XXXVI) of 26 February 1980, \(^{22}\)

Convinced that the Declaration and the Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,\(^{23}\) as well as the programme of activities to be undertaken during the second half of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 34/24 of 15 November 1979, are an important and constructive contribution to the struggle against apartheid, racism and all forms of racial discrimination,

Aware that the commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, will encourage all States to intensify their efforts in supporting the colonially and racially oppressed peoples in their legitimate struggle to gain self-determination and independence, and to put an end to all practices of segregation and discrimination.

Reaffirming its conviction that apartheid constitutes a total negation of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and is a gross violation of human rights and a crime against humanity, seriously disturbing and threatening international peace and security.

Deeply concerned that the racist regime in South Africa has stepped up its policy of apartheid, repression, "bantustanization" and aggression and its continued illegal occupation of Namibia, thereby perpetuating on Namibian territory its odious policy of apartheid, racial discrimination and fragmentation.\(^{24}\)

Condemning the continued collaboration of certain States and transnational corporations with the racist regime of South Africa in the political, economic, military and other fields, thus encouraging it to persist in and intensify the brutal suppression of the people in South Africa.

Underlining that ratification of and accession to the Convention on a universal basis and the implementation of its provisions without any delay are necessary for its effectiveness and would be a useful contribution towards achieving the goals of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

Taking into account Security Council resolution 418 (1977) of 4 November 1977 as a useful step towards achieving the purposes of the Convention,

Firmly convinced that the legitimate struggle of the oppressed peoples in southern Africa against colonialism, racism and apartheid and for the effective implementation of their inalienable right to self-determination and independence demands more than ever all necessary support by the international community and, in particular, further action by the Security Council,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General\(^{25}\) on the status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid;

2. Expresses its satisfaction with the increase in the number of States which have ratified the Convention or acceded thereto;

3. Commends the States parties to the Convention that have submitted their reports under article VII of the Convention and urges other States to do so as soon as possible, taking fully into account the guidelines\(^{26}\) prepared by the Working Group on the Implementation of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid established in accordance with article IX of the Convention;

4. Strongly appeals once again to those States that have not yet become parties to the Convention to ratify it or to accede to it without delay;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts through appropriate channels to disseminate information on the Convention and its implementation

\(^{20}\) A/35/196.
\(^{21}\) Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.
\(^{22}\) See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/1975), chap. XXVI, sect. A.
\(^{24}\) Ibid., 1979, Supplement No. 6 (E/1979/36), chap. XXIV, sect. A.

\(^{27}\) A/35/197 and Add. 1.
\(^{28}\) E/CN.4/1286, annex.
VI. Resolutions adopted on the reports of the Third Committee

35/40. Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 34/28 of 15 November 1979

on the report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and 34/26 of 15 November 1979 on the status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, as well as its other relevant resolutions on the implementation of the Programme for the Decade Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

Having considered the report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on its twenty-first and twenty-second sessions, submitted under article 9, paragraph 2, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,

Emphasizing the obligation of all States parties to the Convention to take legislative, judicial and other measures in order to secure full implementation of the provisions of the Convention,

Convinced that all Member States should take effective measures, at the national and international levels, to combat acts or practices of racial discrimination, including the vestiges and manifestations of racist ideologies wherever they exist,

Aware of the importance of the contribution of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination to the implementation of the Programme for the Decade, through its activities within the framework of the implementation of the Convention,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on its twenty-first and twenty-second sessions;

2. Welcomes the readiness of the Committee to continue to contribute to the implementation of the Programme for the Decade Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, by, inter alia, intensifying the monitoring of the implementation of the provisions of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, preparing relevant studies on the Convention and expanding co-operation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Labour Organization and other relevant bodies within the United Nations system;

3. Requests the Economic and Social Council to invite the Committee to take, within the context of its activities on the implementation of the Convention, active part in the preparations for the work of the second World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination in the manner the Committee finds appropriate;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to provide necessary assistance to the Committee regarding its activities connected with its contribution to the implementation of the Programme for the Decade, as referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 above;

5. Commends the Committee for paying greater attention to the question of the elimination of the policy of apartheid in South Africa and Namibia, as well as to the elimination of acts and practices of racial discrimination in Trust and Non-Self-Governing Territories and in all other Territories to which General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 applies;

6. Further commends the Committee for paying due attention to the protection of the rights of national or ethnic minorities and indigenous populations, as well as the rights of migrant workers, and calls upon all Member States to take effective measures in protecting fully...

25 E/CN.4/1366, annex III.
11 Resolution 3057 (XXVIII), annex.
27 Resolution 2106 A (XX), annex.