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### 35/97. Assistance to the Comoros<sup>197</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its previous resolutions on assistance to the Comoros, particularly resolution 31/42 of 1 December 1976, in which it urgently appealed to the international community to assist the Comoros in an effective and continuous manner so as to enable it to face successfully the critical situation resulting from the economic difficulties experienced by that newly independent country,

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General of 11 September 1980,<sup>204</sup> to which was annexed the report of the review mission which he sent to the Comoros,

*Taking note* of the special problems confronting the Comoros as a developing island country and as one of the least developed among the developing countries,

*Noting* the priority which the Government of the Comoros has assigned to the questions of infrastructure, transport and telecommunications,

*Noting further* the grave budget and balance-of-payments problems facing the Comoros,

*Recalling* its resolution 34/127 of 14 December 1979, in which it noted the appeal of the Economic and Social Council to the international community to respond generously and to continue to assist the Comoros in carrying out its short-term and long-term development programme,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance for the Comoros;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the response by various Member States and organizations to its appeal and that of the Secretary-General for assistance to finance, in whole or in part, a number of projects identified in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General of 3 November 1977;<sup>205</sup>

3. *Notes with concern*, however, that the assistance thus far provided falls short of the country's urgent requirements and that a substantial amount of assistance is still urgently required to carry out the projects identified in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General of 3 November 1977;

4. *Reiterates* its appeal to Member States, regional and interregional organizations and other intergovernmental bodies to provide effective and continuous financial, material and technical assistance to the Comoros to help it overcome its financial and economic difficulties, in particular its budgetary and balance-of-payments deficits;

5. *Urges* Member States to give special consideration to the inclusion of the Comoros in their bilateral and multilateral programmes of development assistance and, in cases where assistance programmes for the Comoros are already in force, to expand them, wherever possible;

<sup>204</sup> A/35/394.

<sup>205</sup> A/32/208 and Add. 1 and 2.

6. *Also urges* the international community to take fully into account, in providing assistance, the priority which the Comoros gives to projects in the fields of infrastructure, transport and telecommunications;

7. *Invites* the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the special needs of the Comoros, and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 August 1981;

8. *Appeals* to the international community to contribute to the special account which was established at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 32/92 of 13 December 1977, for the purpose of facilitating the channelling of contributions to the Comoros;

9. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to increase their current programmes of assistance to the Comoros, to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance and to report periodically to him on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist that country;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to the Comoros;

(b) To keep the situation in the Comoros under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and international financial institutions concerned and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1981, of the current status of the special economic assistance programme for the Comoros;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of the Comoros and the progress made in organizing and implementing the special economic assistance programme for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.

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### 35/98. Assistance to Botswana<sup>197</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* Security Council resolutions 403 (1977) of 14 January 1977 and 406 (1977) of 25 May 1977, concerning the complaint by the Government of Botswana regarding acts of aggression committed against its territory by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 460 (1979) of 21 December 1979, in which all Member States and specialized agencies were called upon to provide urgent assistance to Zimbabwe and the front-line States,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 32/97 of 13 December 1977, 33/130 of 19 December 1978 and

34/125 of 14 December 1979, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, recognized the special economic hardship confronting Botswana as a result of diverting funds from current and planned development projects to effective arrangements for security against attacks and threats by Southern Rhodesia, and endorsed the assessments and recommendations contained in the notes by the Secretary-General dated 28 March 1977<sup>206</sup> and 26 October 1977<sup>207</sup> and in his reports of 7 July 1978<sup>208</sup> and 28 August 1979,<sup>209</sup>

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General of 19 June 1980,<sup>210</sup> to which was annexed the report of the mission which he sent to Botswana in response to General Assembly resolution 34/125,

Noting with satisfaction that the war in Zimbabwe has now stopped,

Noting the need of the Government of Botswana to rehabilitate and develop effective road, rail and air communications, both internally and with the rest of the world, in view of the uncertain political situation in the region, Botswana's vulnerability as a land-locked country and its dependence on the externally controlled railway systems for the transport of its principal exports and imports,

Noting also the urgent need to complete speedily the projects that have been identified in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Botswana,

Expressing deep concern at the critical food shortage currently being experienced as a result of a continuing drought and at the serious adverse effects of the accelerating outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease in Botswana,

1. Endorses fully the revised programme of assistance contained in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General and calls the attention of the international community to the outstanding needs for assistance identified therein;

2. Notes that, while the response from some Member States and international organizations to the appeals of the Secretary-General has been encouraging, there is urgent need to maintain the flow of contributions to carry out the remainder of the emergency programme, the implementation of parts of which remains a critical necessity;

3. Draws the attention of States and international and intergovernmental organizations particularly to the projects in the field of transport and communications, as well as to the priority requirements to rehabilitate the border areas most adversely affected by the war and to deal with the drought situation in accordance with the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General;

4. Reiterates its appeal to all States and intergovernmental organizations to provide generous assistance to enable Botswana to carry out the remainder of its planned development projects, as well as those made necessary by the current political and economic situation;

5. Appeals to all Member States, regional and interregional organizations and other intergovernmental

bodies to provide financial, material and technical assistance to Botswana to enable it to carry out its planned development programme without interruption;

6. Appeals also to the international community to provide, on an urgent basis, additional food aid to Botswana to enable it to meet its current emergency food needs;

7. Urges Member States and organizations which are already implementing or are negotiating assistance programmes for Botswana to expand them, wherever possible;

8. Invites the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the assistance they are rendering to Botswana, for which the General Assembly has requested the Secretary-General to implement a special economic assistance programme, and to report on the results of that assistance and their decisions to the Secretary-General in time for consideration by the Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;

9. Appeals to the international community to contribute to the special account established by the Secretary-General for the purpose of facilitating the channelling of contributions to Botswana;

10. Requests the appropriate specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General for the purpose of facilitating the channelling of contributions to Botswana;

11. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Botswana;

(b) To keep the situation in Botswana under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and international financial institutions concerned and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1981, of the current status of the special economic assistance programme for Botswana;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Botswana and the progress made in organizing and implementing the special economic assistance programme for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.

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### 35/99. Assistance to Mozambique<sup>211</sup>

The General Assembly,

Recalling the decision of the Government of Mozambique to implement mandatory sanctions against the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968,

<sup>206</sup> Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1977, document S/12307.

<sup>207</sup> Ibid., Supplement for October, November and December 1977, document S/12421.

<sup>208</sup> A/33/166 and Corr.1.

<sup>209</sup> A/34/419-S/13506.

<sup>210</sup> A/35/162-S/13870.

<sup>211</sup> See also sect. X.B.3, decision 35/423.