

Taking note of the reports of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization³⁸ and of the Working Group on the Peaceful Settlement of Disputes,³⁹

Taking note also of the progress made in the Special Committee and in the Working Group in the elaboration of the draft Manila declaration on the peaceful settlement of international disputes,

Taking into account the opinions expressed during the examination at its thirty-sixth session of the question of the peaceful settlement of disputes between States,

1. *Calls again upon* all States to adhere strictly in their international relations to the principle that States shall settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security and justice are not endangered;

2. *Considers* that the question of the peaceful settlement of disputes should represent one of the central concerns for States and that, to this end, the efforts for examining and further developing the principle of peaceful settlement of disputes between States and the means of consolidating its full observance by all States in their international relations should be continued;

3. *Considers also* that the elaboration, as soon as possible, of a declaration of the General Assembly on the peaceful settlement of international disputes is likely to enhance the observance of the principle of peaceful settlement of disputes and to contribute to the strengthening of the role of the United Nations in preventing conflicts and settling them peacefully;

4. *Requests* the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization to finalize the draft Manila declaration on the peaceful settlement of international disputes with a view to its consideration and adoption by the General Assembly, and to submit it to the Assembly at its thirty-seventh session;

5. *Refers* to the Special Committee the report of its Working Group on the Peaceful Settlement of Disputes, as well as the views expressed at the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly on the contents of the declaration;

6. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session the item entitled "Peaceful settlement of disputes between States".

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36/111. Consideration of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/139 of 19 December 1978 relating to the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its thirtieth session,⁴⁰ in particular section II of the resolution,

Recalling also its resolution 35/161 of 15 December 1980, entitled "Consideration of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses",

Reaffirming its appreciation of the high quality of the work done by the International Law Commission in elaborating a series of draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses,

³⁸ *Ibid.*, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 33 (A/36/33).

³⁹ A/C.6/36/L.19.

⁴⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/33/10).*

Bearing in mind the importance of facilitating international trade and development of economic co-operation among all States on the basis of equality, mutual advantage and non-discrimination in the establishment of the new international economic order,

Having considered the item entitled "Consideration of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses", including the report of the Secretary-General⁴¹ and the analytical compilation of comments and observations from Governments, organs of the United Nations which have competence in the subject-matter and interested intergovernmental organizations,⁴² submitted pursuant to paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 35/161,

Taking note of the comments and observations submitted, in particular those relating to outstanding issues,

Aware of the fact that more replies from States and interested intergovernmental agencies are needed,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to reiterate his invitation to Member States, relevant organs of the United Nations, such as the regional commissions and the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, as well as interested intergovernmental organizations, to submit or bring up to date, not later than 30 June 1983, any written comments and observations which they deem appropriate on chapter II of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its thirtieth session, in particular on:

(a) The draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses adopted by the International Law Commission;

(b) Those provisions relating to such clauses on which the International Law Commission was unable to take a decision;

and also requests States to comment on the recommendation of the International Law Commission that those draft articles should be recommended to Member States with a view to the conclusion of a convention on the subject;

2. *Decides* to consider the substance of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses, together with any amendments thereto, at its thirty-eighth session with a view to taking a decision thereon;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session the item entitled "Consideration of the draft articles on most-favoured-nation clauses" and to consider it as a matter of priority.

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36/112. Review of the multilateral treaty-making process

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind that multilateral treaties are an important primary source of international law,

Conscious, therefore, that the process of elaboration of multilateral treaties, directed towards the progressive development of international law and its codification, forms an important part of the work of the United Nations and of the international community in general,

Recalling its resolution 35/162 of 15 December 1980, in which it invited Governments and international organizations to submit their observations on the report of the Secretary-General submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session,⁴³ as well as their comments on any other aspect of the subject,

⁴¹ A/36/145.

⁴² A/36/146.

⁴³ A/35/312 and Corr.1.