- 4. Authorizes the Ad Hoc Committee to convene when necessary and to carry out the tasks entrusted to it in its mandate:
- 5. Reaffirms its decision to reconvene the Conference at an appropriate time, in accordance with Conference resolution 1 (I);
- 6. Renews its appeal to all States of South-East Asia and others concerned to attend future sessions of the Conference:
- 7. Requests the Conference to report to the General Assembly on its future sessions;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to consult with and assist the Conference and the Ad Hoc Committee and to provide them on a regular basis with the necessary facilities to carry out their functions;
- 9. Expresses its appreciation once again to the Secretary-General for taking appropriate steps in following the situation closely and requests him to continue to do so and to exercise his good offices in order to contribute to a comprehensive political settlement;
- 10. Expresses its deep appreciation once again to donor countries, the United Nations and its agencies and other humanitarian organizations, national and international, that have rendered relief assistance to the Kampuchean people, and appeals to them to continue to provide emergency assistance to those Kampucheans who are still in need, especially along the Thai-Kampuchean border and in the holding centres in Thailand;
- Reiterates its deep appreciation to the Secretary-General for his efforts in co-ordinating humanitarian relief assistance and in monitoring its distribution, and requests him to intensify such efforts as are necessary;
- Urges the States of South-East Asia, once a comprehensive political solution to the Kainpuchean conflict is achieved, to exert renewed efforts to establish a zone of peace, freedom and neutrality in South-East Asia;
- 13. Reiterates the hope that, following a comprehensive political solution, an intergovernmental committee will be established to consider a programme of assistance to Kampuchea for the reconstruction of its economy and for the economic and social development of all States in the region;
- 14. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-first session on the implementation of the present resolution;
- 15. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-first session the item entitled "The situation in Kampuchea".

63rd plenary meeting 5 November 1985

40/8. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly,

Having received the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1984,¹⁵

Taking note of the statement of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of 31 October 1985,16 which provides additional information on the main development of the Agency's activities during 1985,

Recognizing the importance of the work of the Agency to promote further the application of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes, as envisaged in its Statute,

Also recognizing the special needs of the developing countries for technical assistance by the Agency in order to enlarge the contribution of nuclear energy and its applications to their economic development,

Conscious of the importance of the work of the Agency in the implementation of the safeguards provisions of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons¹⁷ and other international treaties, conventions and agreements designed to achieve similar objectives, as well as ensuring, as far as it is able, that the assistance provided by the Agency or at its request or under its supervision or control is not used in such a way as to further any military purposes, as stated in article II of its Statute,

Recognizing the importance of the work of the Agency on nuclear power, nuclear safety, radioactive waste management, radiological protection and, in particular, of its work directed towards assisting developing countries in planning for the introduction of nuclear power in accordance with their needs,

Noting that the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency at its twenty-ninth regular session approved the reappointment by the Board of Governors of the Agency of Mr. Hans Blix as Director General of the Agency for a further term of four years, commencing on 1 December 1985,

Bearing in mind resolutions GC(XXIX)/RES/442, GC(XXIX)/RES/443 and GC(XXIX)/RES/444, adopted on 27 September 1985 by the General Conference of the Agency at its twenty-ninth regular session,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;
- 2. Affirms its confidence in the role of the International Atomic Energy Agency in the application of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes;
- 3. Urges all States to strive for effective and harmonious international co-operation in carrying out the work of the International Atomic Energy Agency, pursuant to its Statute, in promoting the use of nuclear energy and the application of nuclear science and technology for peaceful purposes; in strengthening technical assistance and cooperation for developing countries; and in ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of the Agency's safeguards sys-
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the records of the fortieth session of the General Assembly relating to the Agency's activities.

69th plenary meeting 8 November 1985

¹⁵ International Atomic Energy Agency, The Annual Report for 1984 (Austria, July 1985) (GC(XXIX)/748 and Corr.1); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/40/576 and

¹⁶ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Plenary Meetings, 56th meeting.

17 Resolution 2373 (XXII). annex.

40/9. Solemn appeal to States in conflict to cease armed action forthwith and to settle disputes between them through negotiations, and to States Members of the United Nations to undertake to solve situations of tension and conflict and existing disputes by political means and to refrain from the threat or use of force and from any intervention in the internal affairs of other States

The General Assembly.

Deeply concerned at the persistence of armed conflicts, acts of aggression and situations of tension in different parts of the world, at the emergence of new sources of conflict and tension in international life and at the danger to the independence and security of States and to international peace and security posed by the threat or use of force in relations between States,

Convinced that all States should exert the utmost efforts to settle any conflict or dispute between them exclusively by peaceful means and that resorting to the threat or use of force against other States can only aggravate the international situation and make more difficult the solution of problems.

Considering that it is in the interest both of States involved in conflict and other States, and of the general cause of world peace and security, to put an end to armed conflicts and to encourage and assist the solution of problems through peaceful means,

Solemnly reaffirming, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the United Nations, the resolute commitment of Member States to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the obligations which they assumed as Members of the Organization, in particular their commitment to refrain in international relations from the threat or use of force against the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of any other State.

Reaffirming that all States shall settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security, and justice, are not endangered,

Recalling the inherent right of all States to individual or collective self-defence, as enshrined in Article 51 of the Charter.

Reaffirming the Manila Declaration on the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes, approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 37/10 of 15 November 1982.

Considering that the question of the peaceful settlement of disputes should constitute a central concern of all States and of the United Nations,

- 1. Addresses a solemn appeal to States in conflict to put an end to armed action forthwith and to proceed to the settlement of their disputes by negotiations and other peaceful means;
- 2. Calls upon all States to comply fully and consistently with the obligations they have assumed, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, to resolve conflicts and disputes by peaceful means and to refrain from the threat or use of force and from any intervention in the internal affairs of other States:
- 3. Invites the Security Council, which has the primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security, to act promptly in accordance with its functions under the Charter, in cases of conflict and dispute in

different regions of the world, by recommending appropriate procedures or methods of adjustment, including designation of representatives of the United Nations, with a view to settling disputes between States by peaceful means, eliminating situations of tension and conflict, and establishing relations based on understanding, co-operation and peace among all the States of the world;

- 4. Reaffirms the important role as conferred by the Charter on the General Assembly in the areas of the peaceful settlement of disputes and the maintenance of international peace and security;
- 5. Encourages the Secretary-General to play an active role within the scope of his functions under the Charter with a view to promoting efforts for the peaceful settlement of disputes and conflicts between States;
- 6. Calls upon Member States to make full use, in accordance with the Charter, of the framework provided by the United Nations for the peaceful settlement of disputes and international problems;
- 7. Appeals to Member States to act resolutely, in view of the purposes and principles of the Charter and in accordance with their duties as Members, in order that the Organization may harmonize the combined efforts of States aimed at strengthening world peace and security, solving the major issues confronting humanity and ensuring conditions for the free and independent development of all peoples.

69th plenary meeting 8 November 1985

40/10. Programme of the International Year of Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 37/16 of 16 November 1982, 38/56 of 7 December 1983 and 39/10 of 8 November 1984 on the International Year of Peace,

Recalling also the solemn Proclamation of the International Year of Peace approved on 24 October 1985, 18 the fortieth anniversary of the United Nations, by which it called upon all peoples to join with the United Nations in resolute efforts to safeguard peace and the future of humanity,

Aware that in the nuclear age the establishment of a lasting peace on Earth constitutes the primary condition for the preservation of civilization and the survival of mankind,

Welcoming the contributions made to the Voluntary Fund for the Programme of the International Year of Peace.

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the regional seminars, 19 which served to increase awareness in each region of the need to take effective steps to promote peace and also contributed towards the preparations for the Year.

Taking note also of the report of the Secretary-General on the activities undertaken in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 39/10²⁰ and the final version of the draft programme of the International Year of Peace annexed thereto,

1. Welcomes the efforts of Member States to achieve substantive results in fulfilling the objectives of the International Year of Peace and to express the common aspiration of peoples for peace;

¹⁸ Resolution 40/3, annex.

¹⁹ A/40/524.

²⁰ A/40/669 and Add 1