

Lebanon, and to take the necessary steps to ensure that their offices at Beirut are adequately staffed at the senior level;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### 42/200. Special economic assistance to Chad

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 41/198 of 8 December 1986 and its previous resolutions on assistance in the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of Chad, emergency humanitarian assistance to Chad and special economic assistance to that country,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on special economic assistance to Chad,<sup>95</sup> relating, *inter alia*, to the economic and financial situation of Chad, the status of assistance provided for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the country and the progress made in organizing and executing the programme of assistance for that country,

*Considering* that the war and the drought are compromising all the reconstruction and development efforts of the Government of Chad,

*Concerned* at the recent invasion of locusts, which has aggravated the already precarious food and health situation in Chad, in particular that of the people displaced as a result of the war and the drought,

*Taking note* of the numerous appeals launched by the Government of Chad and governmental and non-governmental organizations regarding the seriousness of the food and health situation in Chad,

*Taking note also* of the appeal made by the Government of Chad for a round table on the rehabilitation and reconstruction needs of the northern region, which has suffered the most from the effects of the war,

*Recognizing* the need for emergency humanitarian assistance to Chad,

*Also recognizing* the need for assistance in the reconstruction and development of Chad,

*Recalling* the round table on assistance to Chad convened by the United Nations Development Programme at Geneva on 4 and 5 December 1985, in accordance with the arrangements agreed upon at the International Conference on Assistance to Chad, held in November 1982,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States and governmental and non-governmental organizations that responded and are continuing to respond generously to the appeals of the Government of Chad and of the Secretary-General by furnishing assistance to Chad;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his efforts to make the international community aware of the difficulties of Chad and to mobilize assistance for that country;

3. *Renews the request* made to States, competent United Nations organizations and programmes and international economic and financial institutions to continue:

(a) To provide the necessary humanitarian assistance to the people of Chad, who have suffered as a result of the

war, the effects of the drought and the invasion of locusts and predators;

(b) To contribute to the reconstruction of Chad;

4. *Again invites* States and agencies to take part in the sectoral meetings scheduled at the round table on assistance to Chad and to honour the commitments they made;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to implement the interim development plan submitted at Geneva,<sup>96</sup>

(b) To continue to assess, in close collaboration with the humanitarian agencies concerned, the humanitarian needs, particularly in the areas of food and health, of the people displaced by the war and the drought;

(c) To mobilize special humanitarian assistance for persons who have suffered as a result of the war, the drought and the invasion of locusts and predators and for the resettlement of displaced persons;

6. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to organize, in collaboration with the competent United Nations organizations and programmes and the Government of Chad, a round table to formulate an emergency assistance programme for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the northern region and for the resettlement of persons displaced by the war;

7. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to keep the situation in Chad under review and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its forty-third session.

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#### 42/201. Special assistance to front-line States

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 41/199 of 8 December 1986,

*Having considered* the initiatives of the Secretary-General on special assistance to front-line States and other bordering States,<sup>97</sup> namely the establishment of a focal point at United Nations Headquarters, the formation of an informal inter-agency consultative group and the setting in motion of a contingency planning process,

*Deeply concerned* at the continuing deteriorating situation in southern Africa, which has aggravated the economic problems confronting the front-line States and other bordering States, arising from the *apartheid* policies of the Pretoria régime,

*Conscious* of the responsibility of the international community to address the problems of the region,

*Commending* the concerted and determined efforts of the countries of the region to cope with the prevailing adverse conditions by strengthening their economic co-operation and lessening their dependence on South Africa, particularly in the areas of transportation, communications and related sectors,

*Reaffirming* the importance of close co-operation between the United Nations and the front-line States,

*Mindful* of Security Council resolutions 568 (1985) of 21 June 1985, 571 (1985) of 20 September 1985 and 581 (1986) of 13 February 1986, by which the Council, *inter alia*, requested the international community to render assistance to the front-line States,

<sup>95</sup> *Ibid.*, sect. II.C.4.

<sup>97</sup> See A/42/422 and Add.1-4.

<sup>95</sup> See A/42/442, sect. II.C.

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his efforts regarding assistance to the front-line States;
2. *Strongly urges* the international community to continue to provide in a timely and effective manner the financial, material and technical assistance necessary to enhance the individual and collective capacity of the front-line States and other bordering States to withstand the effects of economic measures taken by South Africa, or by the international community against South Africa, in accordance with their national and regional plans and strategies;
3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue mobilizing organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system so that they may respond to such requests for assistance as might be forthcoming from individual States or the appropriate subregional organization, and further urges all States to respond favourably to such requests;
4. *Appeals* to all States and appropriate intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to support the national and collective emergency programmes prepared by the front-line States and other bordering States to overcome the critical problems arising from the situation in South Africa;
5. *Notes with appreciation* the assistance being rendered to the front-line States by donor countries and intergovernmental organizations;
6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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**42/202. Special assistance to Maldives for disaster relief and the strengthening of its coastal defences**

*The General Assembly,*

*Deeply concerned* by the damage caused to the archipelago of Maldives by unexpected tidal waves in April, June and September 1987,

*Acutely aware* of the threats posed by such tidal action to the low-lying islands of Maldives and to their inhabitants,

*Mindful* of the need to commence urgent protective measures to minimize the hazards of such tragic events,

*Noting* that Maldives is one of the least developed countries, with severely limited natural endowments and a narrow-based economic backbone,

*Recognizing* the efforts of the Government and the people of Maldives to improve and accelerate the socio-economic development of their country,

*Taking note* of the emergency relief operations undertaken by the Government of Maldives to assist those affected in the episodes of April, June and September 1987, and of its determination to strengthen its defences against such disasters in the future,

*Convinced* that long-term solutions are imperative,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to those States and organizations which rendered support and assistance to the Government of Maldives in its relief and subsequent rehabilitation work;
2. *Draws the attention* of the international community to the fact that additional resources are required to carry out the envisaged plan for preventive action, and that the assistance already provided or pledged falls short of the requirements;

3. *Requests* agencies and organizations of the United Nations system to contribute to the formulation and implementation of a planned programme of action;

4. *Strongly appeals* to the international community to contribute generously to that goal;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 41/192 of 8 December 1986, to mobilize international support and assistance in favour of the efforts of the Government of Maldives to implement the plan of action;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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**42/203. Assistance to El Salvador**

*The General Assembly,*

*Bearing in mind* its resolutions 41/2 of 14 October 1986, concerning emergency assistance to El Salvador, and 41/194 of 8 December 1986, in which it appealed to all States and appropriate organizations of the United Nations system to contribute to the reconstruction and development of El Salvador,

*Taking note* of Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/16 of 26 May 1987, in which the Council urged Governments, organizations of the United Nations system and governmental and non-governmental organizations to continue to contribute generously to the reconstruction of El Salvador,

*Having considered* the summary report of the Secretary-General on international humanitarian assistance activities for El Salvador,<sup>98</sup>

*Concerned* that the serious effects of the earthquake that occurred on 10 October 1986 have not been overcome despite the efforts of the Government and people of El Salvador and the international assistance received,

*Concerned also* that the efforts made by the Government of El Salvador have been restricted and hindered by the existence of serious economic and financial problems that have increased as a result of a substantial fall in agricultural export production and unfavourable conditions in international markets,

*Convinced* of the outstanding importance of international assistance and co-operation in the processes of national reconstruction following the damage caused by natural disasters,

*Reiterating* the continuing need for the international community to adopt suitable measures for effective assistance and co-operation to promote the rehabilitation, recovery and development of Member States that have suffered natural disasters,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to the Secretary-General for the efforts and measures undertaken to provide international assistance to El Salvador;

2. *Also expresses its gratitude* to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Relief Activities in El Salvador and his team for the work done and activities conducted in connection with assistance to El Salvador;

<sup>98</sup> See A/42/442, sect. V.B.