

means available to him and to submit periodic reports thereon, the first such report no later than 17 November 1988.

*45th plenary meeting  
3 November 1988*

#### 43/22. Right of peoples to peace

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling its Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace, approved on 12 November 1984,<sup>49</sup>*

*Referring to its resolutions 40/11 of 11 November 1985 and 41/10 of 24 October 1986,*

*Having in mind the Universal Declaration on Human Rights<sup>50</sup> which emphasizes that recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world,*

*Recognizing the strong resolve of peoples to strengthen international peace and security and promote economic and social development,*

*Noting with satisfaction the positive events and trends in the field of disarmament, the resolution of crisis situations and the strengthening of international peace and security,*

*Reaffirming that the implementation of the right of peoples to peace constitutes a fundamental concern of each State,*

*Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace,<sup>51</sup>*

- 1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General;*
- 2. Reaffirms the lasting importance and validity of the Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace;*
- 3. Considers that the efforts of non-governmental organizations and world public opinion play an important role in the implementation of the Declaration;*
- 4. Invites all States and international organizations to continue their efforts towards the implementation of the Declaration at the national and international levels;*
- 5. Calls upon all States and relevant organizations of the United Nations system, as well as non-governmental organizations, to inform the Secretary-General about the measures taken to implement the Declaration;*
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the basis of replies received;*
- 7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fifth session an item entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace".*

*46th plenary meeting  
11 November 1988*

#### 43/23. Zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling its resolution 41/11 of 27 October 1986, in which it solemnly declared the Atlantic Ocean, in the re-*

*gion situated between Africa and South America, the "Zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic",*

*Affirming that the questions of peace and security and those of development are interrelated and inseparable, and considering that co-operation among all States, in particular those of the region, for peace and development is essential to promote the objectives of the zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic,*

*Recalling also its resolution 42/16 of 10 November 1987, in which it urged States of the region to continue their actions aiming at fulfilling the goals of the declaration, specially through the adoption and implementation of specific programmes for this purpose,*

*Noting with appreciation the efforts of States of the zone towards fulfilling the goals of the declaration,*

*1. Takes note of the report submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with resolution 42/16;<sup>52</sup>*

*2. Welcomes the holding of the first meeting of States of the Zone of Peace and Co-operation of the South Atlantic at Rio de Janeiro, from 25 to 29 July 1988, and takes note of the Final Document of the meeting;<sup>53</sup>*

*3. Commends initiatives by States of the zone to promote peace and regional co-operation in the South Atlantic;*

*4. Calls upon all States to co-operate in the promotion of the objectives of peace and co-operation established in the declaration of the zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic and to refrain from any action inconsistent with those objectives, particularly actions which aggravate or may create situations of tension and potential conflict in the region;*

*5. Requests the relevant organizations, organs and bodies of the United Nations system to render all necessary assistance that States of the zone may seek in their joint efforts to implement the declaration of the zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic;*

*6. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the implementation of resolution 41/11 under review and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session, taking into account, *inter alia*, the views expressed by Member States;*

*7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "Zone of peace and co-operation of the South Atlantic".*

*47th plenary meeting  
14 November 1988*

#### 43/24. The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling Security Council resolutions 530 (1983) of 19 May 1983 and 562 (1985) of 10 May 1985 and its resolutions 38/10 of 11 November 1983, 39/4 of 26 October 1984, 41/37 of 18 November 1986 and 42/1 of 7 October 1987, as well as the initiative of the Secretaries-General of the United Nations and of the Organization of American States of 18 November 1986,*

*Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General submitted in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 42/1,<sup>54</sup>*

<sup>49</sup> Resolution 39/11, annex.

<sup>50</sup> Resolution 217 A (III).

<sup>51</sup> A/43/602.

<sup>52</sup> A/43/576 and Add.1.

<sup>53</sup> A/43/512.

<sup>54</sup> A/42/127-S/18686. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the*

*Recognizing* the far-sighted and unfailing determination, as well as the decisive contribution, of the Contadora Group and its Support Group in favour of peace in Central America,

*Convinced* that the peoples of Central America wish to achieve peace, reconciliation, development and justice, without outside interference, in accordance with their own decision and their own historical experience, and without sacrificing the principles of self-determination and non-intervention,

*Aware* that the agreement on "Procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace in Central America" signed at Guatemala City on 7 August 1987 by the Presidents of the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, at the Esquipulas II summit meeting,<sup>55</sup> is the outcome of the decision by Central Americans to take up fully the historical challenge of forging a peaceful destiny for Central America,

*Aware also* of the political will which inspires them to settle their differences by means of dialogue, negotiation and respect for the legitimate interests of all States, establishing commitments to be fulfilled in good faith, through the verifiable performance of actions aimed at achieving peace, democracy, security, co-operation and respect for human rights,

*Recognizing* the importance of the Joint Declaration of the Central American Presidents issued at San José on 16 January 1988,<sup>56</sup> whereby they undertook to fulfil immediately, unconditionally and unilaterally the obligations contained in the agreement concluded at the Esquipulas II summit meeting, which must necessarily be "subject to special verification",

*Welcoming* the recognition given by the Central American Presidents to the tremendous efforts made by the International Verification and Follow-up Commission in helping to implement the agreement concluded at the Esquipulas II summit meeting,

*Bearing in mind* the particular importance which the implementation of its resolution 42/231 of 12 May 1988 has for the improvement of the living standards of the Central American people,

1. *Commends* the desire for peace expressed by the Central American Presidents in signing on 7 August 1987 at Guatemala City the agreement on "Procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace in Central America" and in issuing on 16 January 1988 at San José their Joint Declaration;

2. *Expresses* its strongest support for the agreement;

3. *Exhorts* the Governments to continue their efforts to achieve a firm and lasting peace in Central America and fervently hopes that the Central American Presidents at their next meeting will evaluate and give a new impetus to the process of fulfilling the undertakings assumed in the agreement concluded at the Esquipulas II summit meeting;

4. *Urges* the five Central American countries to adopt immediately formulae that will enable them to overcome

the obstacles impeding the advancement of the regional peace process;

5. *Exhorts* the five Central American countries, with the utmost urgency, to promote and supplement the agreed verification machinery, with the co-operation of regional or extra-regional States and bodies of recognized impartiality and technical capacity, which have shown a desire to collaborate in the Central American peace process;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to afford the fullest possible support to the Central American Governments in their efforts to achieve peace, especially by taking the measures necessary for the development and effective functioning of the essential verification machinery;

7. *Appeals* to the countries which are outside the region but which have links with it and interests in it to facilitate the implementation of the agreement concluded at the Esquipulas II summit meeting and to abstain from any action which may impede such implementation;

8. *Urges* the international community and international organizations to increase their technical, economic and financial co-operation with the Central American countries for the implementation of the activities supporting the goals and objectives of the Special Plan of Economic Co-operation for Central America, as stipulated in General Assembly resolution 42/231, and as a way of assisting the efforts being made by the countries of the region to achieve peace and development;

9. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives".

*50th plenary meeting  
15 November 1988*

#### 43/25. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)<sup>57</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) and having received the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>58</sup>

*Aware* of the interest of the international community in the peaceful and definitive settlement by the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of all their differences, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

*Taking note* of the interest repeatedly expressed by both parties in normalizing their relations,

*Convinced* that such purpose would be facilitated by a global negotiation between both Governments that will allow them to rebuild mutual confidence on a solid basis and to resolve the pending problems, including all aspects on the future of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

1. *Reiterates its request* to the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to initiate negotiations with a view to finding the means to resolve peacefully and definitively the problems pending between both countries, including all aspects

*Security Council, Forty-second Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1987, document S/18686.*

<sup>55</sup> A/42/521-S/19085, annex. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1987, document S/19085, annex.*

<sup>56</sup> A/42/911-S/19447, annex. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-second Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1987, document S/19447, annex.*

<sup>57</sup> See also sect. I, footnote 8, and sect. X.B.6, decision 43/409.

<sup>58</sup> A/43/799.