

18. *Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/18 of 22 May 1989;*

19. *Expresses its serious concern at the considerable reduction in the budget and staff of the Division of Narcotic Drugs of the Secretariat and the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board, which threatens their ability to carry out adequately any additional responsibilities deriving from the activities which the United Nations must undertake to tackle the new dimension of the problem of drug abuse and illicit trafficking;*

20. *Recommends that the Secretary-General take urgent steps to ensure the increase of allocations to the Division of Narcotic Drugs and the secretariat of the International Narcotics Control Board;*

21. *Takes note with satisfaction of the results of the Second Interregional Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies;<sup>161</sup>*

22. *Takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General<sup>162</sup> and requests him to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution and also to prepare on a yearly basis a detailed report on international drug-control activities reflecting the work done by the United Nations system to implement the recommendations of the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control;*

23. *Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-fifth session an item entitled "International action to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking".*

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3. *Reiterates its demand for the immediate and unconditional release of children held in detention by the apartheid régime in South Africa;*

4. *Demands the immediate dismantlement of the so-called "rehabilitation camps" and "re-education centres" in South Africa, since they only serve the racist régime's strategy of physically and mentally abusing black South African children;*

5. *Reiterates its request to all relevant United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations to intensify the world-wide campaign aimed at drawing attention to, monitoring and exposing these inhuman practices;*

6. *Requests the Commission on Human Rights to continue to pay special attention to the question of detention, torture and other inhuman treatment of children in South Africa;*

7. *Also requests the Commission on Human Rights to pay special attention to the children of Namibia who have been victims of torture, detention and other inhuman treatment by the apartheid régime, with a view to rehabilitating them;*

8. *Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution;*

9. *Decides to consider this question at its forty-fifth session under the item entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment".*

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#### **44/143. Torture and inhuman treatment of children in detention in South Africa and Namibia**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling its resolution 43/134 of 8 December 1988 and taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1989/4 of 23 February 1989,<sup>2</sup>*

*Recalling also the relevant provisions of the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment,<sup>163</sup> the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment<sup>164</sup> and the Declaration on the Rights of the Child,<sup>3</sup>*

*Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General<sup>165</sup> and in particular the conclusion that torture and other forms of inhuman and degrading treatment of children and young people have continued unabated during the period under review,<sup>166</sup>*

1. *Expresses its profound outrage at evidence of detention, torture and inhuman treatment of children in South Africa;*

2. *Vigorously condemns the apartheid racist régime for the increasing detention, torture and inhuman treatment of children in South Africa;*

#### **44/144. Status of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling article 5 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights<sup>4</sup> and article 7 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,<sup>5</sup> both of which provide that no one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment,*

*Recalling also the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 3452 (XXX) of 9 December 1975,*

*Recalling further its resolution 39/46 of 10 December 1984, by which it adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and called upon all Governments to consider signing and ratifying the Convention as a matter of priority, as well as its resolutions 40/128 of 13 December 1985, 41/134 of 4 December 1986, 42/123 of 7 December 1987 and 43/132 of 8 December 1988 and Commission on Human Rights resolutions 1987/30 of 10 March 1987<sup>44</sup> and 1988/36 of 8 March 1988,<sup>45</sup> and taking note of Commission resolution 1989/29 of 6 March 1989,<sup>2</sup>*

*Mindful of the relevance, for the eradication of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, of the Code of Conduct for Law Enforcement Officials<sup>167</sup> and of the Principles of Medical Ethics relevant to the role of health personnel, particularly physicians, in*

<sup>161</sup> See E/CN.7/1990/2.

<sup>162</sup> A/44/572 and A/44/601.

<sup>163</sup> Resolution 3452 (XXX), annex.

<sup>164</sup> Resolution 39/46, annex.

<sup>165</sup> A/44/623.

<sup>166</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 15.

<sup>167</sup> Resolution 34/169, annex.