

sion of 1989 and to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session,²⁴

Noting with gratitude the support provided to emergency relief operations by various countries and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,

1. *Expresses its solidarity* with the Government and people of Djibouti in facing the devastating consequences of the torrential rains and floods;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States, international institutions and non-governmental organizations that have provided emergency relief to that country and, in that connection, notes with satisfaction that the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator has undertaken a mission to strengthen the capacity of the Government of Djibouti with respect to disaster prevention and preparedness;

3. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the concerned organs and organizations of the United Nations system and in close collaboration with the Government authorities, to carry out an evaluation of the requirements of Djibouti with a view to drawing up an urgent programme of rehabilitation and reconstruction following the damage to the infrastructure of the country;

4. *Also calls upon* the Secretary-General to ensure that the international community is informed of those requirements in order that it may respond favourably to them;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue and intensify his efforts to mobilize all possible assistance within the United Nations system to help the Government of Djibouti in its reconstruction and development efforts;

6. *Encourages* the specialized agencies, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to intensify their programmes of assistance and to expand them in response to the needs of Djibouti;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1990, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

83rd plenary meeting
19 December 1989

44/178. Emergency assistance to Somalia

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of emergency assistance to Somalia,

Recalling its resolution 43/206 of 20 December 1988 and taking note of Economic and Social Council decision 1989/111 of 22 May 1989,

Noting that in humanitarian terms a grave situation has developed in the northern regions of Somalia as a result of attacks by armed bandits on rural and urban centres,

Extremely concerned at the displacement of the population in the affected regions of northern Somalia as a result of the attacks, at the extensive damage and destruction caused to dwellings and at the widespread damage to the country's infrastructure, in particular bridges, water supplies, electricity supplies, communication systems, health centres, schools and other public services,

Taking note with satisfaction of the measures taken by the Secretary-General to obtain an assessment of the emergency and rehabilitation needs of the displaced population,

Reaffirming the need for the international community to respond fully to requests for emergency humanitarian and rehabilitation assistance for Somalia,

Considering that Somalia, as one of the least developed countries, is unable to cope with the mounting burden of providing adequate food, medicine and shelter for the large number of displaced people,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the efforts he is making to mobilize international resources to assist the Government and people of Somalia in coping with the emergency situation in the affected regions of northern Somalia;

2. *Takes note* of the interim report of the United Nations inter-agency mission that visited Somalia from 25 February to 12 March 1989;²⁵

3. *Once again appeals* to all States and the competent intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to contribute generously and urgently to meet the needs identified by the United Nations inter-agency mission to Somalia;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to coordinate the efforts of the United Nations system to help Somalia in its emergency and rehabilitation programme;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to apprise the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1990 of his efforts and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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44/179. Assistance to Democratic Yemen

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned at the extensive and unprecedented damage and devastation in Democratic Yemen caused by torrential rain and floods twice in the present decade, in March 1982 and in March and April 1989,

Extremely concerned about the destruction of the country's infrastructure, in particular roads, health centres and schools, as well as water supplies, electricity supplies, communication systems and other public utilities, and concerned that tens of thousands of hectares of cultivated land were inundated and that hundreds of villages have completely disappeared, leaving tens of thousands of persons without shelter or food,

Considering that Democratic Yemen, being one of the least developed countries, is unable to sustain rehabilitation and reconstruction programmes in spite of the efforts made by its Government,

Recalling the resolutions on assistance to Democratic Yemen that it has adopted since 1982 and taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/1 of 10 May 1989, resolution 176 (XV) of 18 May 1989 adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia at its fifteenth session²⁶ and decision 89/37 of 30 June 1989 adopted by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its thirty-sixth session,²⁷

²⁵ A/44/261, annex.

²⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1989, Supplement No. 17 (E/1989/36)*, chap. III.

²⁷ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 13 (E/1989/32), annex I.

Noting with appreciation the support provided by various States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to emergency relief operations,

1. *Expresses its solidarity* with the Government and people of Democratic Yemen in facing the devastating consequences of the torrential rain and floods;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations that have rendered support and assistance to the Government of Democratic Yemen in its relief and rehabilitation efforts;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize and co-ordinate relief and rehabilitation assistance for Democratic Yemen;

4. *Calls upon* all States to contribute generously and to respond urgently and effectively to the rehabilitation and reconstruction needs of the country;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to co-ordinate, in close co-operation with the Government of Democratic Yemen, the efforts of the United Nations system to help Democratic Yemen to mobilize resources for the implementation of its rehabilitation and reconstruction programmes and to keep the international community informed of its needs;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1990, on the implementation of the present resolution.

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19 December 1989

44/180. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 43/207 of 20 December 1988 and its previous resolutions on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/100 of 26 July 1989 and recalling the previous relevant resolutions and decisions of the Council,

Noting with deep concern the grave deterioration of the economic situation in Lebanon, compounded recently by the extensive damage to the basic infrastructure of the country and to its utilities,

Reaffirming the urgent need for further international action to assist the Government of Lebanon in its continuing efforts for reconstruction and development,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon,²⁸ and of the statement made by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon,²⁹

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his report and for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance to Lebanon;

2. *Commends* the Under-Secretary-General for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services for his co-ordination of system-wide assistance to Lebanon;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue and intensify his efforts to mobilize all possible assistance within the United Nations system to help Lebanon in its reconstruction and development efforts;

4. *Calls upon* the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to intensify their programmes of assistance and to expand them in response to the pressing needs of Lebanon, and to take the necessary steps to ensure that their offices in Beirut are operational and adequately staffed at the senior level;

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

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19 December 1989

44/181. Special assistance to the front-line States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 41/199 of 8 December 1986, 42/201 of 11 December 1987 and 43/209 of 20 December 1988,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,³⁰

Deeply concerned about the adverse effects of South Africa's acts of aggression and destabilization against the front-line States and other neighbouring States,

Aware that the continuing existence of the *apartheid* system in South Africa aggravates the economic and social problems confronting the front-line States and other neighbouring States,

Conscious of the urgent need and responsibility of the international community to address the problems affecting 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 system 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, in which the Council, *inter alia*, requested the international community to render assistance to the front-line States,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his efforts regarding assistance to the front-line States;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the assistance being rendered to the front-line States by donor countries, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations;

3. *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 neighbouring 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;

²⁸ A/44/559.

²⁹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Second Committee, 19th meeting, and corrigendum.*

³⁰ A/44/373 and Add.1 and 2.