

Sharing the grave concern expressed by the High Commissioner regarding the increasing need to protect the basic rights of refugees,

Commending the increasing number of Governments contributing to the High Commissioner's programmes of assistance and noting, in this connexion, the decision of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme³⁹ that the responsibility for providing the financial and other resources required by his Office should be shared by all members of the international community,

Recognizing the need for further accessions to the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees of 1951,⁴⁰ the Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees of 1967⁴¹ and other relevant instruments,

1. *Expresses its deep satisfaction* at the efficient manner in which the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and his staff continue to accomplish their humanitarian tasks;

2. *Requests* the High Commissioner to continue his efforts, in co-operation with Governments, United Nations bodies and voluntary agencies, to promote permanent and speedy solutions to the problems facing his Office through voluntary repatriation and assistance in rehabilitation, integration in countries of asylum or resettlement in other countries as needed;

3. *Further requests* the High Commissioner to intensify his efforts on behalf of refugees in Africa, notably those returning to their countries following independence, and urges the fullest co-operation of all concerned for this purpose;

4. *Urges* Governments to strengthen further their support for the humanitarian activities of the High Commissioner by:

(a) Facilitating the accomplishment of his tasks in the field of international protection;

(b) Co-operating in the promotion of permanent solutions to the problems faced by his Office;

(c) Providing the necessary financial means to attain the objectives of his assistance programmes.

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9 December 1975

3455 (XXX). Humanitarian assistance to the Indo-Chinese displaced persons

The General Assembly,

Noting the information provided by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees⁴² on the assistance being given by his Office to the Indo-Chinese displaced persons,

Noting further that the members of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme unanimously recognized the need for continued hu-

manitarian assistance resulting from events in the Indo-Chinese peninsula,⁴³

Endorses that view of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme and urges the international community further to strengthen its support of the efforts of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in this regard.

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3456 (XXX). Elaboration of a draft Convention on Territorial Asylum

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3272 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974 relating to the elaboration of a draft Convention on Territorial Asylum,

Noting that the Group of Experts on the Draft Convention on Territorial Asylum, constituted in accordance with paragraph 2 of the aforementioned resolution, has reviewed the text of the draft Convention and has submitted its report thereon,⁴⁴

Noting the view reiterated by the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme that a conference of plenipotentiaries on territorial asylum should be convened to consider the draft Convention on Territorial Asylum,⁴⁵

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to convene a conference of plenipotentiaries on territorial asylum from 10 January to 4 February 1977 to consider and adopt a Convention on Territorial Asylum;

2. *Decides* that the cost for holding the conference of plenipotentiaries on territorial asylum should be met by voluntary contributions;

3. *Authorizes* the High Commissioner to seek such funds;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to refer the report of the Group of Experts on the Draft Convention on Territorial Asylum to Member States for any observations and comments that they may wish to make before the conference of plenipotentiaries.

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3518 (XXX). Expression of appreciation to the Government and people of Mexico

The General Assembly,

Considering the significance and positive results of the World Conference of the International Women's Year,⁴⁶ held at Mexico City from 19 June to 2 July 1975, which is the first world conference sponsored by the United Nations on women's issues,

³⁹ *Ibid.*, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 12A (A/10012/Add.1), para. 129.

⁴⁰ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 189, No. 2545, p. 137.

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, vol. 606, No. 8791, p. 267.

⁴² See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 12A (A/10012/Add.1)*, chap. IV; and *ibid.*, Thirtieth Session, Third Committee, 2161st meeting, paras. 1-10.

⁴³ *Ibid.*, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 12A (A/10012/Add.1), para. 121.

⁴⁴ See A/10177 and Corr.1.

⁴⁵ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 12A (A/10012/Add.1)*, para. 69.

⁴⁶ See *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1).

Expresses its deep appreciation to the Government and people of Mexico for acting as host to the World Conference of the International Women's Year.

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15 December 1975

3519 (XXX). Women's participation in the strengthening of international peace and security and in the struggle against colonialism, racism, racial discrimination, foreign aggression and occupation and all forms of foreign domination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3276 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974,

Considering the report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year,⁴⁷ held at Mexico City from 19 June to 2 July 1975, in particular the Declaration of Mexico on the Equality of Women and Their Contribution to Development and Peace, 1975,⁴⁸ the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year⁴⁹ and the resolutions contained in the report of the Conference,⁵⁰

Appreciating that the Conference emphasized the important role women must play in the strengthening of international peace and security and in the expansion of co-operation among States, irrespective of their social and economic systems, based on the principles of peaceful coexistence in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

Endorsing the statement of the Conference that international co-operation and peace require the achievement of national liberation and independence, the preservation of sovereignty and territorial integrity, the elimination of colonialism and neo-colonialism, foreign aggression and occupation, *apartheid* and racial discrimination in all its forms, as well as the recognition of the dignity of peoples and their right to self-determination,

Noting with satisfaction the opinion expressed by the Conference that peace requires that women as well as men should reject any type of intervention in the domestic affairs of States, openly or covertly carried out by other States or by transnational corporations, and that women as well as men should also promote respect for the sovereign right of a State to establish its own economic, social and political system without political and economic pressures or coercion of any type,

Taking into account the view of the Conference that the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States⁵¹ confirms, *inter alia*, the obligation of all States to promote the implementation of general and complete disarmament, to use the funds thus saved for economic and social development and to provide part of these funds for the needs of the developing countries,

Noting with satisfaction the positive changes which have taken place during the last few years in international relations, such as the elimination of the dangerous sources of war in Viet-Nam and the results of the

Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe, and noting also the importance of deepening the process of international détente and strengthening an international just peace based on full respect for the Charter of the United Nations and the interests of all States, large and small,

Emphasizing the grave concern that in some regions of the world colonialism, *apartheid*, racial discrimination and foreign aggression continue to exist and territories are still occupied, which represents a most serious infringement of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of human rights of both men and women, and of the peoples' right to self-determination,

1. *Reaffirms* the principles promulgated in the Declaration of Mexico on the Equality of Women and Their Contribution to Development and Peace, 1975;

2. *Reaffirms* that the strengthening of international peace and security, co-operation among all States irrespective of their social and economic systems, based on the principle of peaceful coexistence, and the elimination of the remaining vestiges of colonialism, neo-colonialism, *apartheid*, all forms of racism and racial discrimination, alien domination and foreign aggression and occupation are indispensable for the safeguarding of the fundamental human rights of both men and women;

3. *Calls upon* all Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, particularly women's organizations and women's groups, to intensify their efforts to strengthen peace, to expand and deepen the process of international détente and make it irreversible, to eliminate completely and definitely all forms of colonialism and to put an end to the policy and practice of *apartheid*, all forms of racism, racial discrimination, aggression, occupation and foreign domination;

4. *Urges* all Governments to take effective measures towards bringing about general and complete disarmament and convening the World Disarmament Conference as soon as possible;

5. *Expresses* its solidarity with and its assistance for women who contribute towards the struggle of the peoples for their national liberation;

6. *Invites* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session a comprehensive report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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3520 (XXX). World Conference of the International Women's Year

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3010 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 in which it proclaimed the year 1975 International Women's Year,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 1849 (LVI) and 1851 (LVI) of 16 May 1974 on the convening of an international conference during the International Women's Year as a focal point of the international observance of the Year,

Recalling further its resolutions 3276 (XXIX) and 3277 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974 as well as Eco-

⁴⁷ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1.

⁴⁸ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*, chap. II, sect. A.

⁵⁰ *Ibid.*, chap. III.

⁵¹ Resolution 3281 (XXIX).