

5. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Swiss Federal Council for convoking the third session of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts from 21 April to 11 June 1976 and to the International Committee of the Red Cross for convoking a second Conference of Government Experts on Weapons That May Cause Unnecessary Suffering or Have Indiscriminate Effects, to be held at Lugano from 28 January to 26 February 1976;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session on relevant developments concerning human rights in armed conflicts, in particular on the proceedings and results of the 1976 session of the Diplomatic Conference;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-first session the item entitled "Respect for human rights in armed conflicts".

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3501 (XXX). Implementation by States of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961 and measures to increase the number of parties to the Convention

The General Assembly,

Recognizing the importance of normal diplomatic relations for the maintenance of international peace and security and for the development of friendly relations and co-operation among States,

Emphasizing the need for observance by all States of the principles and rules of international diplomatic law for ensuring normal diplomatic relations,

Concerned at instances of violations of the rules of diplomatic law and, in particular, of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961,¹⁸

Noting further that not all States have yet become parties to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961,

Recognizing the necessity to ascertain the advisability of studying the question of the status of the diplomatic courier in the light of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961,

1. *Reaffirms* the need for strict implementation by States of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961 in the interest of maintaining normal relations between them, strengthening international peace and security and developing international co-operation;

2. *Deplores* instances of violations of the rules of international diplomatic law and, in particular, of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961;

3. *Urges* States which have not yet done so to become parties to the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961;

4. *Invites* Member States to submit to the Secretary-General their comments and observations on ways and means to ensure the implementation of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961 as well as on the desirability of elaborating provisions concerning the status of the diplomatic courier;

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, vol. 500, No. 7310, p. 95.

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the comments and observations of Member States to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session;

6. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-first session an item entitled "Implementation by States of the provisions of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961: report of the Secretary-General".

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3502 (XXX). United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

The General Assembly,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law¹⁹ and the recommendations made to the Secretary-General by the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law, which are contained in that report,

Considering that international law should occupy an appropriate place in the teaching of legal disciplines at all universities,

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by States at the bilateral level to provide assistance in the teaching and study of international law,

Convinced, nevertheless, that States, international organizations and institutions should be encouraged to give further support to the Programme and to increase their activities to promote the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law, in particular those activities which are of special benefit to persons from developing countries,

Recalling that, in the conduct of the Programme, it is desirable to use as far as possible the resources and facilities made available by Member States, international organizations and others,

1. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to carry out in 1976 and 1977 the activities specified in his report, including the provision of:

(a) A minimum of fifteen fellowships in 1976 and 1977, at the request of Governments of developing countries,

(b) Assistance in the form of a travel grant for one participant from each developing country invited to the regional activities to be organized in 1976 and 1977,

to be financed from provisions in the regular budget and also voluntary financial contributions which would be received as a result of the requests set out in paragraphs 7 and 8 below;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his constructive efforts to promote training and assistance in international law within the framework of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law in 1974 and 1975;

¹⁹ A/10332.