

Reiterating the importance of publicity as an instrument for furthering the mandate given by the General Assembly to the United Nations Council for Namibia, and mindful of the pressing need for the Office of Public Information of the Secretariat to intensify its efforts to acquaint world public opinion with all aspects of the question of Namibia,

1. *Requests* the United Nations Council for Namibia to send a mission to the headquarters of the specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations to discuss the question of dissemination of information and assistance to Namibians;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to direct the Office of Public Information of the Secretariat, in co-operation with the United Nations Council for Namibia:

(a) To acquire and distribute appropriate films on Namibia, including the new film on Namibia which was shown at United Nations Headquarters on Namibia Day, 26 August 1976;

(b) To prepare, in consultation with the South West Africa People's Organization, a film on the contemporary situation inside Namibia and the struggle of the Namibian people for genuine national independence;

(c) To continue publicity through television, radio and other media;

(d) To continue to give publicity to the United Nations Council for Namibia and the South West Africa People's Organization on television in the United States of America and other major Western countries, in order to mobilize support in those countries for the genuine national independence of Namibia;

3. *Requests* Member States and the United Nations Postal Administration to issue commemorative stamps on Namibia until genuine national independence for Namibia is achieved;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to direct the Office of Public Information to continue to make every effort to generate publicity and disseminate information with a view to mobilizing public support for the independence of Namibia;

5. *Decides* to make adequate budgetary provision in order to meet the additional costs required to expand the circulation of the *Namibia Bulletin* and to add German to the languages in which it is published;

6. *Decides* to observe the week of 27 October as a week of solidarity with the people of Namibia and its liberation movement, the South West Africa People's Organization, as proposed by the President of Senegal at the Dakar International Conference on Namibia and Human Rights,⁹⁶ and requests the United Nations Council for Namibia to prepare a commemorative programme for that purpose;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General urgently to undertake, in consultation with the United Nations Council for Namibia, the preparation of a comprehensive United Nations map of Namibia reflecting therein the territorial integrity of the Territory of Namibia;

8. *Further requests* the United Nations Council for Namibia to follow the implementation of the present

resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

*105th plenary meeting
20 December 1976*

31/151. United Nations Fund for Namibia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which the United Nations decided to terminate the Mandate of South Africa over Namibia and assume direct responsibility for the Territory until its independence, and resolution 2248 (S-V) of 19 May 1967, by which it established the United Nations Council for Namibia,

Recalling further its resolution 3112 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973, by which it appointed the United Nations Council for Namibia trustee of the United Nations Fund for Namibia,

Reaffirming its determination to continue to discharge its responsibility with regard to the Territory in accordance with resolution 2248 (S-V) and subsequent resolutions of the General Assembly,

Mindful that, by assuming direct responsibility for Namibia, the United Nations accepted a solemn obligation to grant all possible support to the Namibian people in their struggle for self-determination, freedom and national independence in a united Namibia,

Convinced of the need to grant all possible material assistance to Namibians and their dependants who are victims of South Africa's repressive and discriminatory policies,

Having examined the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia on the United Nations Fund for Namibia,⁹⁷

1. *Takes note* of the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia on the activities of the United Nations Fund for Namibia and approves the conclusions and recommendations contained therein;⁹⁸

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to all those who have made voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Namibia;

3. *Decides* to allocate to the United Nations Fund for Namibia the sum of \$US 300,000 from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1977;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the United Nations Council for Namibia to continue to appeal to Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and private individuals for generous voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Namibia;

5. *Invites* Governments to appeal once more to their national organizations and institutions for voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Namibia;

6. *Appeals* to all States, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, as well as other organizations having a special interest in Namibia, to make financial contributions to the United Nations Institute for Namibia through the United Nations Fund for Namibia;

⁹⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/31/24), vol. II, annex II, para. 25.

⁹⁷ *Ibid.*, vol. II, annex XIII.

⁹⁸ *Ibid.*, annex XIII, paras. 89-106.

7. *Expresses its appreciation* to the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system for their assistance to Namibians and requests them, in consultation with the United Nations Council for Namibia, to give priority to the allocation of funds for material assistance to the Namibian people;

8. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to render all necessary assistance to the United Nations Council for Namibia in implementing its programme of work;

9. *Calls upon* all specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system—in particular the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Monetary Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research—to assist the United Nations Institute for Namibia in all possible ways, including the provision of specialists, lecturers and researchers;

10. *Expresses its appreciation* of the efforts of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to assist Namibian refugees;

11. *Decides* that Namibians shall continue to be eligible for assistance through the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa and the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa;

12. *Requests* the United Nations Council for Namibia to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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31/152. Observer status for the South West Africa People's Organization

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Namibia,

Recognizing the crucial phase reached in the struggle of the Namibian people and the added demands and critical tasks imposed upon their liberation movement, the South West Africa People's Organization,

Taking into consideration the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia⁹⁹ and the recommendations contained therein,¹⁰⁰

Reaffirming the resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Security Council concerning the question of Namibia,

Recalling, in particular, its resolution 3111 (XXVIII) of 12 December 1973, by which it recognized the South West Africa People's Organization as the authentic representative of the Namibian people,

Noting that the Organization of African Unity and the non-aligned countries have recognized and invited the South West Africa People's Organization to participate in their meetings in an observer capacity,

⁹⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/31/24).

¹⁰⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/31/24), vol. I, paras. 272 and 273.

1. *Invites* the South West Africa People's Organization to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Invites* the South West Africa People's Organization to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under the auspices of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

3. *Considers* that the South West Africa People's Organization is entitled to participate as an observer in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under the auspices of other organs of the United Nations;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps for the implementation of the present resolution and to accord all the facilities as may be required.

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31/153. Nationhood Programme for Namibia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which it decided to assume direct responsibility for Namibia, as well as resolution 2248 (S-V) of 19 May 1967, by which it established the United Nations Council for Namibia to administer the Territory until its independence,

Aware of the decisive stage achieved in the struggle of the Namibians for self-determination, freedom and independence under the leadership of the South West Africa People's Organization,

Recognizing that, by assuming direct responsibility for Namibia, the United Nations and its Member States have also assumed the responsibility of assisting the people of Namibia morally and materially,

Recalling its resolution 2679 (XXV) of 9 December 1970, by which it decided to establish the United Nations Fund for Namibia, as well as subsequent resolutions relating to the Fund,

Having examined the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia,¹⁰¹

Welcoming the inauguration of the United Nations Institute for Namibia at Lusaka,

Commending the steps taken by various specialized agencies and other organizations and bodies within the United Nations system to provide assistance to Namibia,

Reaffirming its determination to fulfil its responsibility towards the people and Territory of Namibia,

1. *Decides* to launch, in support of the nationhood of Namibia, a comprehensive assistance programme within the United Nations system, covering both the present period of struggle for independence and the initial years of independence of Namibia and including:

(a) The review and planning of measures for assistance to Namibians by the specialized agencies and other organizations and bodies within the United Nations system;

(b) The consolidation of all measures in a comprehensive and sustained plan of action;

(c) The implementation of the plan of action;

2. *Calls upon* the United Nations Council for Namibia, as the Administering Authority of the Territory,

¹⁰¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/31/24).