

present resolution, to consider, as appropriate, new projects in outer space activities and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session, including its views on which subjects should be studied in the future.

*98th plenary meeting
15 December 1983*

38/81. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965, 2053 A (XX) of 15 December 1965, 2249 (S-V) of 23 May 1967, 2308 (XXII) of 13 December 1967, 2451 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968, 2670 (XXV) of 8 December 1970, 2835 (XXVI) of 17 December 1971, 2965 (XXVII) of 13 December 1972, 3091 (XXVIII) of 7 December 1973, 3239 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974, 3457 (XXX) of 10 December 1975, 31/105 of 15 December 1976, 32/106 of 15 December 1977, 33/114 of 18 December 1978, 34/53 of 23 November 1979, 35/121 of 11 December 1980, 36/37 of 18 November 1981 and 37/93 of 10 December 1982,

Taking account of the views expressed and issues raised on the question of peace-keeping during the debate on the item,

Reaffirming the primary responsibility of the Security Council for the maintenance of international peace and security,

Conscious of the vital role played by United Nations peace-keeping forces in support of decisions of the Security Council in discharging its primary responsibility in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that the presence of United Nations peace-keeping forces authorized by the Security Council in conflict areas demonstrates the common concern of Members of the United Nations in the preservation of stability and easing of tension in those areas,

Aware of the extremely difficult financial situation of the United Nations peace-keeping forces in the light of the heavy burden incurred by troop contributors, especially those from developing countries,

Stressing the collective responsibility of Member States, in accordance with the Charter, to share equitably the financial burdens of such operations established by the Security Council, which should continue to be conducted with maximum efficiency and economy,

Urging, at the same time, that other areas of co-operation with and support for United Nations peace-keeping forces should be encouraged,

Recognizing the need to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of United Nations peace-keeping forces,

Commending the Secretary-General for the way he is carrying out peace-keeping operations of the United Nations decided upon by the Security Council,

Convinced that the importance of the issue of United Nations peace-keeping is such that the United Nations should continue to work for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects,

Taking note of the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations,¹⁶

1. *Expresses its conviction* that peace-keeping operations of the United Nations, conducted with the consent of the host country and with respect for its sovereignty and territorial integrity, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, are an essential function of the United Nations, though not a substitute for the peaceful settlement of disputes and therefore of a temporary nature;

2. *Urges* all concerned to co-operate fully in the implementation of United Nations peace-keeping operations;

3. *Reaffirms and renews* the mandate given to the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations by relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;

4. *Expresses concern* about the difficult financial situation of United Nations peace-keeping operations;

5. *Urges again* the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations, in accordance with its mandate, to renew its efforts to work towards the completion of agreed guidelines that will govern the conduct of United Nations peace-keeping operations in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, and to devote further attention to specific questions relating to the practical implementation of peace-keeping operations;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to submit a status report on its present situation, to determine the areas of possible progress and other areas where progress would be difficult to achieve or is still pending, and to consider proposals to reactivate and rationalize its work;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-ninth session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects".

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38/82. Questions relating to information

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 34/181 and 34/182 of 18 December 1979, 35/201 of 16 December 1980, 36/149 A of 16 December 1981 and 37/94 A and B of 10 December 1982,

Stressing anew the importance of the establishment of a new world information and communication order and, in this regard, recalling the relevant provisions of the Political Declaration of the Seventh Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at New Delhi from 7 to 12 March 1983,¹⁷ as well as the relevant provisions of the Final Declaration of the Sixth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Havana from 3 to 9 September 1979,¹⁸ of the Declaration of the Conference of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Non-Aligned Countries, held at New Delhi from 9 to 13 February 1981,¹⁹ and of the fifth and sixth meetings of the Intergovernmental Council of Ministers of Information of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Georgetown in May 1981 and at Valletta in June 1982,

Recalling the relevant resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its eighteenth ordinary session, held at Nairobi from 24 to 27 June 1981,²⁰

¹⁶ A/38/381.

¹⁷ See A/38/132-S/15675 and Corr.1 and 2, annex, sect. I, para. 173.

¹⁸ See A/34/542, annex, sect. I, paras. 280-299.

¹⁹ See A/36/116 and Corr.1, annex.

²⁰ See A/36/534, annex II.