

Noting the efforts of the people and Government of Madagascar to deal with the emergency situation and to initiate a reconstruction and rehabilitation programme,

Noting also the emergency assistance provided by several States, international and regional organizations, specialized agencies and voluntary agencies,

Affirming the need for prompt and concerted international action to assist the people and Government of Madagascar in carrying out the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the stricken regions and sectors,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to the States, programmes and organizations of the United Nations system and inter-governmental, non-governmental and voluntary organizations which provided assistance to Madagascar during the emergency;

2. *Urges* all States to participate generously through bilateral or multilateral channels in projects and programmes for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Madagascar;

3. *Requests* the international and regional organizations, the specialized agencies and voluntary agencies to continue and increase their assistance in response to the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development needs of Madagascar;

4. *Requests* the programmes and organizations of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, and all other international and regional financial institutions concerned, to give sympathetic and urgent consideration to requests for assistance submitted by the Government of Madagascar under its reconstruction, rehabilitation and development programmes;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To take the necessary steps, in collaboration with the programmes and organizations of the United Nations system, to mobilize the resources needed for implementing the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development programmes of Madagascar;

(b) To keep the question of assistance for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Madagascar under constant review;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1985, of the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

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17 December 1984*

39/192. Assistance to Sierra Leone

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 37/158 of 17 December 1982 and 38/205 of 20 December 1983, in which it appealed to all States, the specialized agencies and international development and financial institutions to provide all possible assistance for the development of Sierra Leone,

Further recalling its resolution 37/133 of 17 December 1982, in which it decided to include Sierra Leone in the list of the least developed countries,

Having considered the summary report of the Secretary-General,¹⁰¹

Noting with concern that the economy of Sierra Leone is being undermined by severe scarcities of imported raw materials and spare parts for industry, a drying-up of trade and commercial credits, large commercial payment arrears and unmitigated strains on government finances,

Concerned that unusually low rainfall in 1984 has seriously affected the food production of the country and considerably worsened its balance-of-payments position,

Noting that the Government of Sierra Leone, in co-operation with the United Nations Development Programme, has initiated preparatory activities for a round-table of partners in development of Sierra Leone, to be organized with the assistance of the Programme early in 1985,

Reiterating the need for effective mobilization of international assistance, in order to implement fully the programme of development outlined in the report of the multi-agency mission,¹⁰²

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance for Sierra Leone;

2. *Urgently reiterates its appeal* to the international community, including the specialized agencies and other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to contribute generously, through bilateral or multilateral channels, to the economic and social development of Sierra Leone;

3. *Urges* all States and relevant United Nations bodies — in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities — to provide all possible assistance to help the Government of Sierra Leone meet the critical humanitarian needs of the population and to provide, as appropriate, food, medicines and essential equipment for hospitals and schools;

4. *Invites* the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Bank and the International Fund for Agricultural Development to bring to the attention of their governing bodies, for their consideration, the special needs of Sierra Leone and to report the decisions of those bodies to the Secretary-General by 15 July 1985;

5. *Appeals* to all States and international organizations to participate at a high level in the round-table of partners in development of Sierra Leone to be held early in 1985, and to contribute generously to the programme of action that will be presented by the Government of Sierra Leone;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Sierra Leone;

(b) To apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1985, of the assistance granted to Sierra Leone;

(c) To keep the situation regarding assistance to Sierra Leone under review and to report to the General Assembly

¹⁰¹ A/39/392, sect. VIII.

¹⁰² A/38/211, annex.

at its fortieth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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39/193. Assistance to the Comoros

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/209 of 20 December 1983 and its previous resolutions on assistance to the Comoros, in which it appealed to the international community to provide effective and continuous financial, material and technical assistance to the Comoros in order to help that country overcome its financial and economic difficulties,

Taking note of the special problems confronting the Comoros as an island developing country and as one of the least developed countries,

Noting that the Government of the Comoros has given priority to the questions of infrastructure, transport and telecommunications,

Noting also the economic difficulties arising from the country's scarcity of natural resources, compounded by the recent drought and cyclones,

Noting further the grave budgetary and balance-of-payments problems facing the Comoros,

Bearing in mind the holding at Moroni, from 2 to 4 July 1984, of the first international solidarity conference for the development of the Comoros,

Having examined the summary report of the Secretary-General,¹⁰³

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken to mobilize assistance for the Comoros;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the response by various Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and other organizations to its appeals and those of the Secretary-General for assistance to the Comoros;

3. *Notes with concern*, however, that the assistance thus far provided continues to fall short of the country's urgent requirements and that assistance is still urgently required in order to implement the projects described in the report of the Secretary-General;

4. *Appeals* to those States and organizations which participated in the first international solidarity conference for the development of the Comoros, to put into effect as soon as possible their declaration of intent;

5. *Renews its appeal* to Member States, the appropriate organs, programmes and organizations of the United Nations system, regional and international organizations and other intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations, as well as international financial institutions, to provide the Comoros with assistance to enable it to cope with its difficult economic situation and pursue its development goals;

6. *Requests* the appropriate programmes and organizations of the United Nations system to increase their current programmes of assistance to the Comoros, to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance and to report periodically to him on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to help that country;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to the Comoros;

(b) To keep the situation in the Comoros under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, the specialized agencies, the regional and other intergovernmental organizations and international financial institutions concerned, and to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1985, of the status of the special programme of economic assistance for the Comoros;

(c) To report on the evolution of the economic situation of the Comoros and the progress made in organizing and implementing the special programme of economic assistance for that country in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

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39/194. Special economic assistance for Swaziland

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council decision 1984/106 of 10 February 1984, in which the Council requested the Secretary-General to send an inter-agency mission to Swaziland to assess that country's priority needs in the light of the cyclone of January 1984 and its medium-term and long-term implications for the economy,

Having heard the statement made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Swaziland on 11 October 1984,¹⁰⁴ in which he expressed appreciation for the assistance rendered by Governments, the United Nations system and other organizations during the difficult period following the cyclone,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,¹⁰⁵ to which was annexed the report of the inter-agency mission which visited Swaziland from 30 April to 5 May 1984,

Noting from the report the serious damage to the economic infrastructure of Swaziland and the efforts made by the Government and people of Swaziland to cope with the problems of reconstruction,

Taking note of the recommended programme of assistance for Swaziland drawn up by the inter-agency mission, in consultation with the Government, concerning priority projects designed to permit the resumption of normal economic activity,

1. *Draws attention* to the urgent need for international action to assist the Government and people of Swaziland in their efforts for reconstruction and rehabilitation;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his prompt action and for the report of the inter-agency mission on the economic situation of Swaziland and the additional assistance required by that country to cope with the problems of reconstruction and rehabilitation;

3. *Expresses its gratitude* to all States and organizations that have provided emergency assistance to Swaziland;

4. *Endorses* the assessment and recommendations of the inter-agency mission contained in the annex to the report of the Secretary-General;

5. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World

¹⁰³ A/39/392, sect. IV.

¹⁰⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Plenary Meetings*, 30th meeting, paras. 116-152.

¹⁰⁵ A/39/598.