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39/1. Admission of Brunei Darussalam to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received the recommendation of the Security Council of 24 February 1984 that Brunei Darussalam should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,²

Having considered the application for membership of Brunei Darussalam,³

Decides to admit Brunei Darussalam to membership in the United Nations.

*3rd plenary meeting
21 September 1984*

39/2. Situation in South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/11 of 15 November 1983 and Security Council resolution 554 (1984) of 17 August 1984, which declared the so-called "new constitution" a further entrenchment of *apartheid*,

Recalling in particular that Security Council resolution 554 (1984) rejected the so-called "new constitution" and declared it null and void,

Also recalling that the said resolutions warned that the imposition of the so-called "new constitution" by the racist régime in South Africa would "further aggravate the already explosive situation prevailing inside *apartheid* South Africa",

Further recalling its various resolutions and those of the Security Council calling upon the authorities in South Africa to abandon *apartheid*, to end oppression and repression of the black majority and to seek a peaceful, just and lasting solution in accordance with the principles of

the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,⁴

Aware that the majority of the oppressed people of South Africa have decisively rejected the so-called "new constitution" and that the recent demonstrations, strikes and mass uprisings inside *apartheid* South Africa by the oppressed people directly emanate from the imposition of the so-called "new constitution",

Commending the united resistance of the oppressed people of South Africa against the imposition of the so-called "new constitution" and recognizing the legitimacy of their struggle to eliminate *apartheid* and establish a society based on majority rule with equal participation by all the people of South Africa, irrespective of race, colour or creed,

Alarmed by the aggravation of the situation in South Africa, in particular the wanton killing and the maiming of defenceless demonstrators and workers on strike as well as the imposition of virtual martial law conditions intended to facilitate the brutal repression of the black population,

Deeply concerned over the wave of new arbitrary arrests and detention of leaders and activists of mass organizations inside the country, as well as the closure of several schools and universities,

Convinced that South Africa's continued defiance of United Nations resolutions and its imposition of the rejected so-called "new constitution" will inevitably lead to further escalation of the already explosive situation in South Africa and will have far-reaching consequences for southern Africa and the world,

1. *Reiterates its rejection* of the so-called "new constitution" as null and void;

2. *Declares* that the current wave of violence and killing of defenceless demonstrators and striking workers is

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Annexes, agenda item 19, document A/39/363.*

³ *Ibid.*, document A/39/362, annex. For the document submitted to the Security Council, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth*

Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1984, document S/16353.

⁴ Resolution 217 A (III).

the direct consequence of the imposition of the so-called "new constitution" by the South African racist régime;

3. *Condemns* the South African racist régime for defying relevant resolutions of the United Nations and persisting with the further entrenchment of *apartheid*, a system declared a crime against humanity and a threat to international peace and security;

4. *Further condemns* the continued massacre of the oppressed people, as well as the arbitrary arrest and detention of leaders and activists of mass organizations and demands their immediate and unconditional release;

5. *Rejects* any so-called "negotiated settlement" based on bantustan structures or on the so-called "new constitution";

6. *Reaffirms* that only the total eradication of *apartheid* and the establishment of a non-racial democratic society based on majority rule, through the full and free exercise of adult suffrage by all the people in a united and unfragmented South Africa, can lead to a just and lasting solution of the explosive situation in South Africa;

7. *Urges* all Governments and organizations to take appropriate action, in co-operation with the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity and in accordance with the present resolution, to assist the oppressed people of South Africa in their legitimate struggle for national liberation;

8. *Requests* the Security Council, as a matter of urgency, to consider the serious situation in South Africa emanating from the imposition of the so-called "new constitution" and to take all necessary measures, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, to avert the further aggravation of tension and conflict in South Africa and in southern Africa as a whole.

*13th plenary meeting
28 September 1984*

39/3. Credentials of representatives to the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly

A

The General Assembly

Approves the first report of the Credentials Committee.⁵

*32nd plenary meeting
17 October 1984*

B

The General Assembly

Approves the second report of the Credentials Committee.⁶

*102nd plenary meeting
17 December 1984*

39/4. The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives

The General Assembly,

Recalling Security Council resolution 530 (1983) of 19 May 1983, in which the Council encouraged the efforts of the Contadora Group and appealed urgently to all interested States in and outside the region to co-operate fully with the Group, through a frank and constructive dialogue, so as to achieve solutions to the differences between them,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 38/10 of 11 November 1983, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, expressed its firmest support for the Contadora Group and urged it to persevere in its efforts, which enjoy the effective support of the international community and the forthright co-operation of the countries in and outside the region,

Noting with satisfaction the results of the efforts made by the Contadora Group, in particular the Contadora Act on Peace and Co-operation in Central America of 7 September 1984,⁷

Considering that the Contadora Act is the result of an intense process of consultations and negotiations between the Governments of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, promoted by the Contadora Group,

Also considering that the Contadora Act is a major step in bringing to fruition the negotiation process in that it lays the foundations for détente, lasting peace and the promotion of economic and social development in the region,

Taking note of the report submitted by the Secretary-General in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 38/10,⁸

1. *Urges* each of the five Central American Governments to speed up its consultations with the Contadora Group with the aim of bringing to a conclusion the negotiation process with the early signing of the Contadora Act on Peace and Co-operation in Central America, thereby facilitating full compliance with the commitments provided for in the Act and the entry into force of the various mechanisms for implementation and follow-up;

2. *Also urges* all States, in particular those with ties to and interests in the region, to respect fully the purposes and principles of the Contadora Act and the commitments undertaken by virtue of their accession to its Additional Protocol;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in accordance with Security Council resolution 530 (1983), to report at regular intervals to the Council on developments in the situation and the implementation of that resolution;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, by 15 December 1984 at the latest, a report on progress made in the implementation of the present resolution;⁹

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled "The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives".

*39th plenary meeting
26 October 1984*

⁵ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Annexes, agenda item 3, document A/39/574.

⁶ *Ibid.*, document A/39/574/Add.1.

⁷ A/39/562-S/16775, annex. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1984*, document S/16775, annex.

⁸ A/39/562-S/16775. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1984*, document S/16775.

⁹ The report was issued under the symbol A/39/827-S/16865. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-ninth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1984*, document S/16865.