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## **Resolution adopted by the General Assembly**

*[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/59/505)]*

### **59/35. Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 56/83 of 12 December 2001, the annex to which contains the text of the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts,

*Emphasizing* the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Noting* that the subject of responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts is of major importance in relations between States,

1. *Commends once again* the articles on responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts to the attention of Governments, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit their written comments on any future action regarding the articles;

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to prepare an initial compilation of decisions of international courts, tribunals and other bodies referring to the articles and to invite Governments to submit information on their practice in this regard, and further requests the Secretary-General to submit this material well in advance of its sixty-second session;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts".

*65th plenary meeting*  
*2 December 2004*