

At its 2841st meeting, on 11 January 1989, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic and Mongolia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At the same meeting, in response to the request dated 9 January 1989⁶ from the observer of Palestine, the Council also decided, by a vote, that an invitation should be accorded to the observer of Palestine to participate in the debate and that that invitation would confer upon it the same rights of participation as those conferred on a Member State when it was invited to

⁶ Document S/20392, incorporated in the record of the 2841st meeting.

participate under rule 37 of the provisional rules of procedure.

Adopted by 11 votes to 1 (United States of America), with 3 abstentions (Canada, France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).

At the same meeting, the Council further decided, at the request of the representative of Algeria,⁷ to extend an invitation to Mr. Clovis Maksoud under rule 39 of the provisional rules of procedure.

⁷ Document S/20390, incorporated in the record of the 2841st meeting.

THE SITUATION IN NAMIBIA⁸

Decision

At its 2842nd meeting, on 16 January 1989, the Council discussed the item entitled "The situation in Namibia".

Resolution 628 (1989) of 16 January 1989

The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988,

Taking note of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola, the Republic of Cuba and the Republic of South Africa, signed on 22 December 1988,⁹

Taking note also of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba, signed on 22 December 1988,¹⁰

Emphasizing the importance of these two agreements in strengthening international peace and security,

1. *Welcomes* the signature of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola, the Republic of Cuba and the Republic of South Africa on the one hand, and of the agreement between the People's Republic of Angola and the Republic of Cuba on the other hand;

2. *Expresses* its full support for these agreements, and to that effect decides to follow closely the developments in their implementation;

3. *Calls upon* all parties concerned, as well as all Member States, to co-operate in the implementation of these agreements;

⁸ Resolutions or decisions on this question were also adopted by the Council in 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987 and 1988.

⁹ *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-third Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1988*, document S/20346, annex.

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, document S/20345, annex

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council fully informed on the implementation of this resolution.

Adopted unanimously at the 2842nd meeting.

Resolution 629 (1989) of 16 January 1989

The Security Council,

Reaffirming its relevant resolutions, in particular, resolutions 431 (1978) of 27 July 1978 and 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978,

Taking note of its resolution 628 (1989) of 16 January 1989,

Noting that the parties to the Protocol of Brazzaville¹¹ agreed to recommend to the Secretary-General that 1 April 1989 be established as the date for the implementation of resolution 435 (1978),

Recognizing the progress in the south-western Africa peace process,

Expressing its concern at the increase in the police and paramilitary forces and the establishment of the South-West Africa Territorial Force since 1978, and stressing the need to ensure conditions under which the Namibian people will be able to participate in free and fair elections under the supervision and control of the United Nations,

Noting also that these developments make appropriate a re-examination of the requirements for the United Nations Transition Assistance Group effectively to fulfil its mandate which include, *inter alia*, keeping borders under surveillance, preventing infiltration, preventing intimidation and ensuring the safe return of refugees and their free participation in the electoral process,

Recalling the approval by the Security Council of the Secretary-General's statement on 29 September 1978 to the Council,¹²

¹¹ *Ibid.*, document S/20325, annex.

¹² Document S/12869; for the text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-third Year*, 2087th meeting, paras. 11-22.

Resolution 632 (1989)

of 16 February 1989

Emphasizing its determination to ensure the early independence of Namibia through free and fair elections under the supervision and control of the United Nations, in accordance with its resolution 435 (1978),

Reaffirming the legal responsibility of the United Nations over Namibia,

1. *Decides* that 1 April 1989 shall be the date on which implementation of resolution 435 (1978) will begin;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to proceed to arrange a formal cease-fire between the South West Africa People's Organization and South Africa;

3. *Calls upon* South Africa to reduce immediately and substantially the existing police forces in Namibia with a view to achieving reasonable balance between these forces and the United Nations Transition Assistance Group so as to ensure effective monitoring by the latter;

4. *Reaffirms* the responsibility of all concerned to co-operate to ensure the impartial implementation of the settlement plan in accordance with resolution 435 (1978);

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare at the earliest possible date a report to the Council on the implementation of resolution 435 (1978), taking into account all relevant developments since the adoption of that resolution;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in preparing his report, to re-examine requirements necessary for the Group in order to identify wherever possible tangible cost-saving measures without prejudice to his ability fully to carry out the mandate as established in 1978, namely, to ensure the early independence of Namibia through free and fair elections under the supervision and control of the United Nations;

7. *Calls upon* Members of the United Nations to consider, in co-ordination with the Secretary-General, how they might provide economic and financial assistance to the Namibian people, both during the transitional period and after independence.

Adopted unanimously at the 2842nd meeting.

Decision

At the 2848th meeting, on 16 February 1989, the Council discussed the item entitled:

"The situation in Namibia:

"(a) Further report of the Secretary-General concerning the implementation of Security Council resolutions 435 (1978) and 439 (1978) concerning the question of Namibia (S/20412);¹³

"(b) Explanatory statement by the Secretary-General concerning his further report concerning the implementation of Security Council resolutions 435 (1978) and 439 (1978) concerning the question of Namibia (S/20457)".¹³

¹³ See *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-fourth Year, Supplement for January, February and March 1989*.

The Security Council,

Reaffirming its relevant resolutions, in particular, resolutions 431 (1978) of 27 July 1978, 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978 and also 629 (1989) of 16 January 1989,

Reaffirming also that the United Nations plan contained in its resolution 435 (1978) remains the only internationally accepted basis for the peaceful settlement of the Namibian question,

Confirming its decision contained in paragraph 1 of resolution 629 (1989) that 1 April 1989 shall be the date on which implementation of resolution 435 (1978) will begin,

Having considered the report of 23 January 1989 submitted by the Secretary-General¹⁴ and his explanatory statement of 9 February 1989,¹⁵

Taking into account the assurances given to the Secretary-General by all the members of the Council as contained in paragraph 5 of his explanatory statement,

Reaffirming the legal responsibility of the United Nations over Namibia until independence,

1. *Approves* the report of the Secretary-General and his explanatory statement concerning the implementation of the United Nations plan for Namibia;

2. *Decides* to implement its resolution 435 (1978) in its original and definitive form to ensure conditions in Namibia which will allow the Namibian people to participate freely and without intimidation in the electoral process under the supervision and control of the United Nations leading to early independence of the Territory;

3. *Expresses its full support* for and pledges its co-operation with the Secretary-General in carrying out the mandate entrusted to him by the Security Council under resolution 435 (1978);

4. *Calls upon* all parties concerned to honour their commitments to the United Nations plan and to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council fully informed on the implementation of the present resolution.

Adopted unanimously at the 2848th meeting.

Decisions

In a letter dated 21 February 1989,¹⁶ the Secretary-General referred to paragraph 59 of his further report of 23 January on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 435 (1978) and 439 (1978) concerning the question of Namibia¹⁴ and proposed to the Security Council that the various units in the military component of the United Nations Transition Assistance Group should be contributed by the following coun-

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, document S/20412.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, document S/20457.

¹⁶ S/20479.