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1666 (XVI). Draft International Covenants on Human Rights

The General Assembly,

Having made progress in the preparation of the draft International Covenants on Human Rights,

Not having been able, however, to complete its work relating to the Covenants at its sixteenth session,

Decides to take up the item entitled "Draft International Covenants on Human Rights" as soon as possible at its seventeenth session and at that session to devote as many meetings as possible to the consideration of that item.

*1075th plenary meeting,
11 December 1961.*

1671 (XVI). Problem raised by the situation of Angolan refugees in the Congo

The General Assembly,

Having been apprised of the situation of the refugees from Angola in the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville),

Noting with satisfaction the efforts made by the Government of the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville), in co-operation with the United Nations in the Congo, the League of Red Cross Societies and other voluntary organizations, to provide those refugees with immediate assistance and to help them to become self-supporting until they can return to their own homes,

Recognizing that it is desirable to maintain unity of action in the further provision of assistance in an area where the needs of the refugees cannot, in practice, be separated from those of the local population,

1. *Recommends* that the United Nations in the Congo, in close liaison with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the organizations mentioned above, should continue to provide emergency assistance for as long as is necessary and enable the refugees to become self-supporting as soon as possible;

2. *Requests* the High Commissioner to continue to lend his good offices in seeking appropriate solutions to the problem arising from the presence of Angolan refugees in the Republic of the Congo (Leopoldville), *inter alia*, by facilitating, in close collaboration with the authorities and organizations directly concerned, the voluntary repatriation of those refugees;