6. Expresses its appreciation of the assistance rendered to the Scientific Committee by the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the non-governmental organizations concerned;

7. Recommends that all parties concerned should continue their co-operation with the Scientific Committee;

8. Commends the Scientific Committee for the discussion it has had on the contribution that might be made to the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment and recommends that the Secretary-General should fully utilize the relevant experience of the Committee in the further preparations for this Conference:

9. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Scientific Committee with the assistance necessary for the conduct of its work and the dissemination of its findings to the public.

> 1864th plenary meeting, 13 October 1970.

2624 (XXV). The policies of apartheid of the **Government** of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the report of the Special Committee on the Policies of Apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa,²

Recalling its resolution 2505 (XXIV) of 20 November 1969 expressing the firm intention of the United Nations, acting in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to intensify its efforts to find a solution to the present grave situation in southern Africa,

Recalling further Security Council resolution 282 (1970) of 23 July 1970 calling upon all States to strengthen the arms embargo against South Africa,

Seriously concerned at reports that this resolution of the Security Council is not yet being implemented by some States,

Gravely concerned about the continued build-up of the South African military and police forces and the consequent aggravation of the situation in southern Africa.

Taking note of the resolution adopted on 2 September 1970 by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity,8 mandating a delegation of five African States to urge the Governments concerned to stop selling arms to South Africa and also to stop assisting in the manufacture of arms in South Africa,

Taking note also of the resolution on apartheid and racial discrimination⁸ adopted by the Third Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Lusaka from 8 to 10 September 1970,

1. Calls upon all States to take immediate steps to implement fully the provisions of Security Council resolution 282 (1970);

2. Requests the Secretary-General to follow closely the implementation of the present resolution, as he has been doing with regard to Security Council resolution 282 (1970), and to report to the General Assembly not later than 10 December 1970.

> 1864th plenary meeting, 13 October 1970.

2656 (XXV). Establishment of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East⁴

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East covering the period from 1 July 1969 to 30 June 1970,⁵

Noting with grave concern the acute financial situation of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and its serious implications for the future work of the Agency,

Bearing in mind the appeal made by the Secretary-General on 2 December 1970 at the 740th meeting of the Special Political Committee as well as the appeal made by the Chairman of that Committee on 25 November 1970 at the 733rd meeting of the Committee, and taking into account the suggestions made in the course of the debate concerning possible means of securing additional income,

1. Decides to establish a Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, consisting of nine Member States, to study all aspects of the financing of the Agency;

2. Requests the President of the General Assembly, in consultation with the Secretary-General, to designate the Member States which will compose the Working Group;

3. Requests the Working Group, in consultation with the Secretary-General and the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, to present an interim report to the General Assembly, not later than 14 December 1970, containing its recommendations on possible measures to be taken to prevent a reduction of the Agency's services in 1971;

4. Also requests the Working Group, in the interval between the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth sessions of the General Assembly, to assist, as appropriate, the Secretary-General and the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East in reaching solutions to the problems posed by the Agency's financial crisis:

5. Further requests the Working Group, in consultation with the Secretary-General, the Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and the specialized agencies, to present a comprehensive report on all aspects of the financing of the Agency to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

> 1918th plenary meeting 7 December 1970.

At the 1926th plenary meeting, on 11 December 1970, the President of the General Assembly announced that, in pursuance of paragraph 2 of the above resolution, he had designated the nine members of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

⁴ See also resolution 2728 (XXV), p. 8. ⁵ Official Records of the General Asso Session, Supplement No. 13 (A/8013). Assembly, Twenty-fifth

² Ibid., Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 22 (A/8022/ Rev.1). ⁸ Sec A/SPC/L.181.

' The Working Group is composed of the following Member States: FRANCE, GHANA, JAPAN, LEBANON, NORWAY, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, TURKEY, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

2670 (XXV). Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965, 2053 A (XX) of 15 December 1965, 2249 (S-V) of 23 May 1967, 2308 (XXII) of 13 December 1967 and 2451 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968,

Recalling in particular its resolution 2576 (XXIV) of 15 December 1969, in which it requested the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to continue its work and to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session a comprehensive report on the United Nations military observers established or authorized by the Security Council for observation purposes pursuant to Council resolutions, as well as a progress report on such work as the Special Committee might be able to undertake on any other models of peace-keeping operations,

Having received and examined the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations of 1 October 1970,⁶

Noting with regret that the mandate entrusted to the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations has not as yet been fulfilled,

Conscious nevertheless that the problems with which the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations has been faced are of a fundamental nature and that the Special Committee believes that more time is required,

Realizing that problems of such a fundamental nature require further consultations within the context of the United Nations in order to enable the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to fulfil its mandate,

Bearing in mind the concern of Member States, as expressed in solemn declarations adopted on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations, over the need to reach an early agreement for carrying out United Nations peace-keeping operations consistent with the Charter of the United Nations,

1. Takes note of the report of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations;

2. Stresses the importance of achieving agreed guidelines to enhance the effectiveness of United Nations peace-keeping operations consistent with the Charter and to this end urges the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations to accelerate its work;

3. Instructs the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations to intensify its efforts with a view to completing, by 1 May 1971, its report on the United Nations military observers established or authorized by the Security Council for observation purposes pursuant to Council resolutions and to determine, in the light of the progress achieved by that date, whether alternative methods are advisable for the early fulfilment by the Special Committee of its mandate to reach an agreement on peace-keeping operations in conformity with the Charter; 4. Notes with interest the suggestions, proposals and documents submitted on this item during the present session and transmits to the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations the records of the debates on the item at this session, together with the documents put forward in the course of those debates;

5. Requests the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, in the course of its further deliberations, to study carefully and to take full account of the views expressed and the suggestions, proposals and documents submitted at the present session, and to report on them to the General Assembly at its twentysixth session, as appropriate, within the context of its work;

6. Directs the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session a completed comprehensive report on the United Nations military observers established or authorized by the Security Council for observation purposes pursuant to Council resolutions, as well as a progress report on any other models of peace-keeping operations.

> 1921st plenary meeting, 8 December 1970.

2671 (XXV). The policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa⁷

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The General Assembly,

Taking note of the work of the Special Committee on Apartheid,⁸

Considering it essential to intensify United Nations efforts to promote concerted international action for the elimination of apartheid in South Africa,

Recognizing the need for greater co-ordination of efforts by the United Nations towards this end and for the elimination of duplication, in order to utilize the resources for a more effective international campaign against *apartheid*,

1. Requests the Special Committee on Apartheid constantly to review all aspects of the policies of *apartheid* in South Africa and its international repercussions, including:

(a) Legislative, administrative and other racially discriminatory measures in South Africa and their effects;

(b) Repression of opponents of apartheid;

(c) Efforts by the Government of South Africa to extend its inhuman policies of *apartheid* beyond the borders of South Africa;

(d) Ways and means of promoting concerted international action to secure the elimination of apartheid;

and ic report from time to time, as appropriate, to the General Assembly or the Security Council, or both;

2. Draws the attention of all United Nations organs concerned to this decision, so that any undue duplication of efforts may be avoided;

⁶ Ibid., Twenty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 36, document A/8081.

⁷ The decision of the General Assembly to shorten the name of the Special Committee on the Policies of Apartheid of the Government of the Republic of South Africa (see "Other decisions" below, p. 37) has been taken into account in the present resolution. ⁸ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fifth

⁸ See Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 22 (A/8022/Rev.1).