

in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter and the relevant resolutions of the organs of the United Nations;

4. *Condemns* the continuation of repressive and terrorist acts by colonial, racist and alien régimes in denying peoples their legitimate right to self-determination and independence and other human rights and fundamental freedoms;

5. *Appeals* to States which have not yet done so to examine the possibility of becoming parties to the existing international conventions which relate to various aspects of the problem of international terrorism;

6. *Invites* States to take all appropriate measures at the national level with a view to the speedy and final elimination of the problem, bearing in mind the provisions of paragraph 3 above;

7. *Invites the Ad Hoc Committee on International Terrorism* to continue its work in accordance with the mandate entrusted to it by the General Assembly under resolution 3034 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, first by studying the underlying causes of terrorism and then by recommending practical measures to combat terrorism;

8. *Invites* the States which have not yet done so to submit their observations and concrete proposals as soon as possible to the Secretary-General so as to enable the *Ad Hoc Committee* to carry out its mandate more efficiently;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to the *Ad Hoc Committee* an analytical study of the observations of States submitted under paragraph 8 above;

10. *Requests* the *Ad Hoc Committee* to consider the observations of States under paragraph 8 above and to submit its report with recommendations for possible co-operation for the speedy elimination of the problem, bearing in mind the provisions of paragraph 3, to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the *Ad Hoc Committee* with the necessary facilities and services, including summary records of its meetings;

12. *Decides* to include the item in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session.

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32/148. Drafting of an international convention against the taking of hostages

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/103 of 15 December 1976,

Having considered the report of the *Ad Hoc Committee* on the Drafting of an International Convention against the Taking of Hostages,²⁶

Considering that the *Ad Hoc Committee* has been unable to complete the mandate given to it within the allocated time,

Mindful of the need to conclude, under the auspices of the United Nations, an international convention against the taking of hostages, taking into account the

urgency of formulating effective measures to put an end to the taking of hostages,

Bearing in mind the recommendation of the *Ad Hoc Committee* that it should continue its work in 1978,²⁷

1. *Takes note* of the report of the *Ad Hoc Committee* on the Drafting of an International Convention against the Taking of Hostages;

2. *Decides* that the *Ad Hoc Committee*, as constituted,²⁸ should continue, in accordance with paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 31/103, to draft at the earliest possible date an international convention against the taking of hostages and, in the fulfilment of its mandate, to consider suggestions and proposals from any State, bearing in mind the views expressed during the debate on this item at the thirty-second session of the Assembly;

3. *Invites* Governments to submit, or to bring up to date, suggestions and proposals for consideration by the *Ad Hoc Committee*;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to render all assistance to the *Ad Hoc Committee*, including the preparation of summary records of its meetings;

5. *Requests* the *Ad Hoc Committee* to submit its report and to make every effort to submit a draft convention against the taking of hostages to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session;

6. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session the item entitled "Drafting of an international convention against the taking of hostages".

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32/150. Conclusion of a world treaty on the non-use of force in international relations²⁹

The General Assembly,

Considering that, in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations, States shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State, or in any other manner inconsistent with the purposes of the United Nations,

Reaffirming the need for universal and effective application of this principle in international relations and for assistance by the United Nations in this endeavour,

Recalling its resolution 31/9 of 8 November 1976, in which it invited Member States to examine further the draft World Treaty on the Non-Use of Force in International Relations³⁰ submitted by the Union of

²⁷ *Ibid.*, para. 14.

²⁸ As a result of the appointment of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic (see A/31/479/Add.1), the *Ad Hoc Committee* on the Drafting of an International Convention against the Taking of Hostages is composed of the following Member States: Algeria, Barbados, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Canada, Chile, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, Iran, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Philippines, Poland, Somalia, Surinam, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Venezuela and Yugoslavia.

²⁹ See also sect. X.B.2, decision 32/442.

³⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Annexes*, agenda item 124, document A/31/243, annex.

²⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 39 (A/32/39).