

Having examined the report of the review mission to Lesotho, transmitted by a note by the Secretary-General dated 9 November 1977,<sup>44</sup> sent in compliance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2096 (LXIII) of 29 July 1977 to review the over-all economic situation of Lesotho,

1. *Endorses* the assessments and recommendations contained in the notes by the Secretary-General dated 30 March and 9 November 1977;

2. *Draws the attention* of the international community to the identification in these reports of continuing and urgent requirements for assistance beyond that received to date;

3. *Further draws the attention* of the international community to the special account which was established at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General in compliance with Security Council resolution 407 (1977) to receive contributions for assistance to Lesotho;

4. *Expresses satisfaction* with the measures already taken by the Secretary-General to organize an effective programme of assistance to Lesotho;

5. *Notes with appreciation* the assistance so far provided to Lesotho by the international community;<sup>45</sup>

6. *Calls upon* all Member States and regional and interregional organizations to continue to respond to the appeals of the Security Council and the General Assembly for urgent and generous assistance to Lesotho;

7. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to strengthen further his humanitarian assistance programmes on behalf of refugees in Lesotho and urges the international community to provide him speedily with the necessary means to carry out these programmes;

8. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system—in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Monetary Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees—to continue their assistance to Lesotho in carrying out its planned development projects without interruption and to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance;

9. *Further requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to report regularly to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Lesotho;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the resources necessary for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Lesotho;

(b) To ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and to co-ordinate the international programme of assistance to Lesotho;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Lesotho in time for the matter to be considered by the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session;

(d) To keep the situation in Lesotho under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and international financial institutions, and to report on the question to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.

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### 32/99. Assistance to Cape Verde

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 31/17 of 24 November 1976 relating to assistance to Cape Verde, in which it requested the Secretary-General to mobilize the financial, technical and economic assistance of the international community, in particular the developed countries and the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, with a view to meeting the short-term and long-term development needs of this newly independent country,

*Recalling* its resolution 31/156 of 21 December 1976, in which it urged all Governments to lend their support, in the context of their assistance programmes, for the implementation of the specific action envisaged in favour of developing island countries,

*Recalling* its resolutions 3054 (XXVIII) of 17 October 1973 and 3512 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 concerning the economic and social situation in the Sudano-Sahelian region and measures to be taken for the benefit of that region,

*Recalling further* that Cape Verde is a member of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel,

*Noting* Economic and Social Council decision 252 (LXIII) of 29 July 1977, in which the Council, *inter alia*, took note of the view of the Committee for Development Planning<sup>46</sup> concerning the inclusion of Cape Verde in the list of the least developed countries,<sup>47</sup>

*Noting with concern* the grave economic situation existing in Cape Verde as a result of nine successive years of drought, of the total lack of development infrastructure and of the grave effects of the international economic situation on its entire economy,

*Expressing its appreciation* for the assistance provided by various States and organizations, including both food aid and development aid,

*Noting*, however, that, despite the appeal by the Secretary-General for development aid to enable Cape Verde to implement its development programme, the international response has fallen short of the requirements of the situation,

<sup>44</sup> A/32/323-S/12438. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1977*.

<sup>45</sup> A/32/323-S/12438, appendix I. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1977*.

<sup>46</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/5939 and Corr.1)*, paras. 82 and 83.

<sup>47</sup> See resolutions 2768 (XXVI) and 3487 (XXX).

*Noting further* the efforts made for the benefit of the Sahel by the Office for Sahelian Relief Operations of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and by the United Nations Sahelian Office,

*Recognizing* the need for active measures to stimulate new economic activities,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General of 21 September 1977,<sup>48</sup>

1. *Urges* Member States and the relevant international institutions—in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Programme and the World Health Organization—to continue to provide effective and continuous assistance to the Government of Cape Verde so that it may deal effectively with the catastrophic situation resulting from the drought, and to ensure the supply of food, medical and other products to that country;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to send a special mission to Cape Verde with a view to determining, in consultation with the Government, the nature and extent of the development aid needed in order:

(a) To expand and strengthen the economic and social base of the country;

(b) To initiate an accelerated development programme;

3. *Decides* to include Cape Verde in the list of the least developed countries;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the necessary resources for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Cape Verde;

(b) To ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and to co-ordinate the international programme of assistance to Cape Verde;

(c) To keep the situation in Cape Verde under constant review, to maintain close contact with Member States, regional and other intergovernmental organizations, the specialized agencies and international financial institutions, and to report on the question to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.

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### 32/100. Assistance to Guinea-Bissau

*The General Assembly,*

*Deeply concerned* at the serious economic situation in Guinea-Bissau as a result of more than eleven years of a war of national liberation, the return of large numbers of refugees and the total lack of infrastructure for development,

*Recalling* that Guinea-Bissau is included in the list of the most seriously affected countries,<sup>49</sup>

*Recalling* its resolution 3421 (XXX) of 8 December 1975 on the implementation of the Declaration on

<sup>48</sup> A/32/219.

<sup>49</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/31/21), annex IV.*

the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, in which it urged the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to extend assistance to the newly independent and emerging States,

*Recalling* recommendation 99 (IV) of 31 May 1976 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>50</sup> particularly paragraph 4 thereof, in which the Conference recommended that measures of assistance should be undertaken by the appropriate organs of the United Nations system in favour of the newly independent States in Africa,

*Recalling further* its resolution 3339 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, in which it invited Member States, particularly the developed countries, to provide economic assistance to the newly independent State of Guinea-Bissau,

1. *Urgently appeals* to Member States and the international institutions concerned—in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the international financial institutions, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Food Programme—to assist the Government of Guinea-Bissau in an effective and continuous manner so as to enable it to deal effectively with the difficult situation resulting from the long liberation struggle and the return of large numbers of refugees from neighbouring countries, and to meet its economic development needs;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to mobilize the financial, technical and economic assistance of the international community, in particular the developed countries and the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, with a view to meeting the short-term and long-term development needs of this newly independent country;

3. *Requests* the Committee for Development Planning at its fourteenth session, as a matter of priority, to give favourable consideration to the question of the inclusion of Guinea-Bissau in the list of the least developed countries<sup>51</sup> and to submit its conclusions to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session;

4. *Invites* in the meantime Member States, particularly the developed countries, and the organizations of the United Nations system to grant Guinea-Bissau the same benefits as those enjoyed by the least developed among the developing countries in the light of prevailing conditions in Guinea-Bissau;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep this matter under review and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 32/101. Assistance to Seychelles

*The General Assembly,*

*Having heard* the statement of the representative of Seychelles<sup>52</sup> concerning the serious economic and social

<sup>50</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10 and corrigendum), part one, sect. A.

<sup>51</sup> See resolutions 2768 (XXVI) and 3487 (XXX).

<sup>52</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Second Committee, 41st meeting, paras. 27-31.*