

2. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of the Turks and Caicos Islands to self-determination and independence in conformity with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

3. *Reiterates* the view that such factors as size, geographical location, size of population and limited natural resources should in no way delay the speedy implementation of the process of self-determination in accordance with the Declaration, which fully applies to the Territory;

4. *Recognizes* that the presence of military bases and other installations could constitute an impediment to the implementation of the Declaration, and reaffirms its conviction that the presence of foreign military bases and installations should not prevent the peoples of colonial and dependent Territories from exercising their right to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Declaration and the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

5. *Commends*, for appropriate action, the conclusions and recommendations of the Visiting Mission²⁸ to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as the administering Power, and to the Government of the Turks and Caicos Islands;

6. *Expresses its appreciation* of the constructive work accomplished by the Visiting Mission and of the close co-operation and assistance extended to the Mission by the administering Power, the territorial Government, the Legislative Council and the people of the Territory;

7. *Calls upon* the administering Power to take the necessary measures to promote the economic development of the Turks and Caicos Islands in accordance with the Declaration as an important element in the process of self-determination and independence, and urges the administering Power to continue to intensify and expand its programme of aid in order to accelerate the development of the economic and social infrastructure of the Territory;

8. *Requests* the administering Power, in the light of the conclusions and recommendations of the Visiting Mission, to continue to enlist the assistance of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, as well as other regional and international bodies, in the strengthening, development and diversification of the economy of the Territory;

9. *Welcomes* the invitation of the Government of the United Kingdom to the Special Committee to dispatch a further visiting mission to observe the general elections held in the Territory on 4 November 1980;

10. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue the examination of this question at its next session in the light of the findings of the visiting missions, including the possible dispatch of a further visiting mission to the Turks and Caicos Islands, at an appropriate time and in consultation with the administering Power, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.

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35/26. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1970 (XVIII) of 16 December 1963, in which it requested the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to study the information transmitted to the Secretary-General under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations and to take such information fully into account in examining the situation with regard to the implementation of the Declaration,

Recalling also its resolution 34/33 of 21 November 1979, in which it requested the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under resolution 1970 (XVIII),

Having examined the chapter of the report of the Special Committee dealing with the transmittal of information under Article 73 e of the Charter²⁹ and the action taken by the Committee in respect of that information,

Having also examined the report of the Secretary-General on the item,³⁰

Deplores the fact that some Member States having responsibilities for the administration of Non-Self-Governing Territories have ceased to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter,

1. *Approves* the chapter of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to the information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations;

2. *Reaffirms* that, in the absence of a decision by the General Assembly itself that a Non-Self-Governing Territory has attained a full measure of self-government in terms of Chapter XI of the Charter, the administering Power concerned should continue to transmit information under Article 73 e of the Charter in respect of that Territory;

3. *Requests* the administering Powers concerned to transmit, or continue to transmit, to the Secretary-General the information prescribed in Article 73 e of the Charter, as well as the fullest possible information on political and constitutional developments in the Territories concerned, within a maximum period of six months following the expiration of the administrative year in those Territories;

4. *Requests* the Special Committee to continue to discharge the functions entrusted to it under General Assembly resolution 1970 (XVIII), in accordance with established procedures, and to report to the Assembly at its thirty-sixth session.

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35/27. Question of East Timor

The General Assembly,

Recognizing the inalienable right of all peoples to self-determination and independence in accordance with the

²⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/35/23/Rev.1), chap. VII.*

³⁰ A/35/511.

²⁸ A/AC.109/636/Add.2 and Corr.1, paras. 416-440.

principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960.

Considering that the international community is celebrating in 1980 the twentieth anniversary of the Declaration,

Bearing in mind that the Fifth³¹ and Sixth³² Conferences of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo and Havana in 1976 and 1979, respectively, reaffirmed the right of the people of East Timor to self-determination and independence,

Having examined the chapter of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, relating to the Territory,³³ and other relevant documents,³⁴

Taking into consideration the recent communiqué of the Council of Ministers of Portugal, issued on 12 September 1980,³⁵ in which the administering Power reaffirmed the right of the people of East Timor to self-determination,

Taking also into consideration the diplomatic initiative taken by the Government of Portugal with a view to finding a comprehensive solution to the problem of East Timor,

Deeply concerned at the continued suffering of the people of East Timor as a result of the hostilities still prevailing in the Territory,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of Portugal,³⁶ as the administering Power, and Indonesia,³⁷

Having also heard the statements of various East Timorese petitioners and representatives of non-governmental organizations,³⁸ as well as the representative of the Frente Revolucionária de Timor Leste Independente,³⁹

1. *Reaffirms* the inalienable right of the people of East Timor to self-determination and independence, in accordance with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

2. *Declares* that the people of East Timor must be enabled freely to determine their own future within the framework of the United Nations;

3. *Welcomes* the diplomatic initiative taken by the Government of Portugal as a first step towards the free exercise by the people of East Timor of their right to self-determination and independence, and urges all parties directly concerned to co-operate fully with a view to creating the conditions necessary for the speedy implementation of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV);

4. *Expresses its deepest concern* at the continued suffering of the people of East Timor as a result of the situation still prevailing in the Territory;

³¹ See A/31/197, annex I, para. 36.

³² See A/34/542, annex, sect. I, para. 155.

³³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/35/23/Rev.1), chap. X.*

³⁴ A/AC.109/622, 623 and 634.

³⁵ A/C.4/35/2, annex.

³⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Fourth Committee, 11th meeting, paras. 34-38.*

³⁷ *Ibid.*, 19th meeting, paras. 32-52.

³⁸ *Ibid.*, 9th, 11th, 12th, 16th and 17th meetings.

³⁹ *Ibid.*, 14th meeting, paras. 3-11.

5. *Requests* the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to render, within their respective fields of competence, all possible assistance to the people of East Timor, particularly the children;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution and to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session on all aspects of the situation in East Timor, in particular the political developments concerning the situations referred to in paragraphs 1 to 4 above;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled "Question of East Timor".

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35/28. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa

The General Assembly,

Having considered the item entitled "Activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa",

Having examined the chapter of the report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples relating to this question,⁴⁰

Taking into consideration the parts of the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia relating to the question,⁴¹

Recalling its resolutions 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration, as well as all other resolutions of the United Nations relating to the item,

Taking into account the relevant provisions of the Maputo Declaration in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and the Programme of Action for the Liberation of Zimbabwe and Namibia,⁴² adopted by the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, held at Maputo from 16 to 21 May 1977, as well as the Lagos Declaration for Action against *Apartheid*,⁴³ adopted by the World Conference for Action against *Apartheid*,

⁴⁰ *Ibid.*, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/35/23/Rev.1), chap. V.

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/35/24), vol. I, part two, chap. V, and vol. III.

⁴² A/32/109/Rev.1-S.12344/Rev.1, annex V. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-second Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1977*.

⁴³ *Report of the World Conference for Action against Apartheid, Lagos, 22-26 August 1977* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.XIV.2 and corrigendum), sect. X.