achieved, to exert renewed efforts to establish a zone of peace, freedom and neutrality in South-East Asia;

- 15. Expresses the hope that, following a comprehensive political solution, an intergovernmental committee will be established to consider a programme of assistance to Kampuchea for the reconstruction of its economy and for the economic and social development of all States of the region;
- 16. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;
- 17. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session the item entitled "The situation in Kampuchea".

40th plenary meeting 21 October 1981

36/6. Draft World Charter for Nature

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the draft World Charter for Nature, 11

Recalling its resolution 35/7 of 30 October 1980,

Aware of the crucial importance attached by the international community to the promotion and development of co-operation aimed at protecting and safeguarding the balance and quality of nature,

Also aware that life on earth is part of nature and depends on the uninterrupted functioning of natural systems,

Noting resolution CM/Res.852 (XXXVII) adopted by the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its thirty-seventh ordinary session, held at Nairobi from 15 to 26 June 1981, 12

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General, which contains a revised version of the draft World Charter for Nature prepared on the basis of views and observations communicated by Member States in accordance with General Assembly resolution 35/7;
- 2. Invites Member States which have not yet done so to communicate their views and observations to the Secretary-General;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations Environment Programme and the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, to complete if necessary, on the basis of observations received from Member States, the revision of the draft World Charter for Nature and to submit a supplementary report to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session;
- 4. Invites the Secretary-General to transmit to Member States the text of the report of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on the Draft World Charter for Nature, ¹³ containing the revised version of the draft Charter, as well as any further observations by States, with a view to appropriate consideration at the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly;
- 5. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session an item entitled "Consideration and adoption of the revised draft World Charter for Nature: report of the Secretary-General".

41st plenary meeting 27 October 1981

36/7. Historical responsibility of States for the preservation of nature for present and future generations

The General Assembly, Recalling its resolution 35/8 of 30 October 1980,

11 A/36/539.

13 A/36/539, annex I.

Noting that the continuation and intensification of the arms race are adversely affecting the human environment and damaging the vegetable and animal world,

Attaching great importance to the development of planned and constructive international co-operation in solving the problems of preserving nature,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the historical responsibility of States for the preservation of nature for present and future generations, 14

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General, with the co-operation of the United Nations Environment Programme and on the basis of the studies now in progress and the views expressed by States on this subject, to complete the preparation of a report containing recommendations for the adoption by States of specific obligations and measures relating to the protection of nature from the pernicious effects of the arms race, and to the limitation and prohibition of the types of military activity which present the greatest danger for nature;
- 2. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit the report referred to in paragraph 1 above to the General Assembly at its second special session devoted to disarmament.

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36/23. Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the state of co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.¹⁵

Recalling its resolutions 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975 and 35/36 of 14 November 1980,

Noting with satisfaction the development of co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference,

Noting further the establishment of relations of cooperation between the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

Taking into account the desire of both organizations to contribute to the search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order,

Noting the participation of the Secretary-General in the work of the Third Islamic Summit Conference of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, held at Mecca-Taif from 25 to 28 January 1981, 16

Noting the effective participation of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in the work of the United Nations,

Convinced of the need to strengthen the co-operation between the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference,

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General on the state of co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- 2. Urges the two organizations to intensify co-operation in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fun-

¹² See A/36/534, annex I.

¹⁴ A/36/532 and Corr. 1.

¹⁵ A/36/384.

¹⁶ See A/36/138

damental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order;

- 3. Notes with satisfaction the establishment of relations of co-operation between the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- 4. Invites the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system to send to the Organization of the Islamic Conference studies and experts in their areas of specialization, including the combating of desertification and the elimination of poverty, hunger, illness and ignorance;
- 5. Notes the effective participation of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in the financing of a number of development projects in co-operation with the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Environment Programme;
- 6. Considers it necessary to strengthen co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference for the achievement of the goals set forth in the Charter of the United Nations;
- 7. Takes note of the appointment by the Secretary-General of a special representative to participate in the work of the Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held at Baghdad from 1 to 5 June 1981, 17 and to study the best way of establishing machinery for co-ordinating the activities of the various units of the secretariats of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system which co-operate or may co-operate with the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session a report on the state of co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- 9. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-seventh session the item entitled "Co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference".

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36/24. Co-operation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 477 (V) of 1 November 1950, in which it requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to invite the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States to attend sessions of the General Assembly as an observer,

Recalling also the pertinent articles of the Charter of the United Nations which encourage activities through regional arrangements for the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Recognizing the efforts made by the League of Arab States for the promotion of these purposes and principles,

Noting that the Charter of the League of Arab States has envisioned co-operation with international bodies in order to guarantee peace and security and to promote economic and social relations,

Noting with satisfaction the co-operation that has developed for more than thirty years between the United Nations and the League of Arab States in areas of common endeavour,

Taking note of the effective participation of the League of Arab States in the work of the United Nations system,

- 1. Reaffirms its resolution 477 (V) and decides to invite the League of Arab States to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly and of its subsidiary organs as an observer:
- 2. Notes with deep appreciation the increasing participation of the League of Arab States in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and its constructive contribution to that work;
- 3. Recognizes the continued efforts of the League of Arab States to promote co-operation among Arab States and to seek solutions to Arab problems of vital importance to the international community and takes note with satisfaction of the increased collaboration of various organizations of the United Nations system in support of those efforts;
- 4. Recognizes the importance of continued close association by the United Nations and the specialized agencies, where appropriate, with the efforts of the League of Arab States in order to promote social and economic development and to advance intra-Arab as well as international cooperation in that vital field;
- 5. Reaffirms the determination of the United Nations to work closely with the League of Arab States towards the establishment of the new international economic order in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 6. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his efforts to maintain contacts with the League of Arab States and requests him further to strengthen those contacts:
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to take the necessary measures to strengthen co-operation at the political, economic, cultural and administrative levels between the United Nations and the League of Arab States in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution and on the development of co-operation between the League of Arab States and the organizations concerned within the United Nations system.

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36/25. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly,

Having received the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1980, ¹⁸

Taking note of the statement by the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency of 10 November 1981, 19 which provides additional information on developments in the Agency's activities during 1981,

Conscious of the urgent need to develop all sources of energy, with a view to helping both developing and industrialized countries to mitigate the effects of the energy crisis, and bearing in mind the fact that nuclear energy remains the main readily available alternative to fossil fuel for the generation of large amounts of electric power,

¹⁷ See A/36/421-S/14626 and Corr.1.

¹⁸ International Atomic Energy Agency, The Annual Report for 1980 (Austria, July 1981); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/36/424).

¹⁹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Plenary Meetings, 50th meeting, paras, 1-45.