

1974,<sup>69</sup> 16 (XXXV) of 14 March 1979<sup>70</sup> and 19 (XXXVI) of 29 February 1980<sup>71</sup> on the same subject,

*Recalling also* resolution 9 (XXXI) of 13 September 1978 of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,<sup>72</sup>

*Recalling that* the Economic and Social Council, by its resolution 1980/29 of 2 May 1980, decided to transmit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session the text of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live, prepared by the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and amended by the Sub-Commission,<sup>73</sup> together with the comments on the text received from Member States<sup>74</sup> in response to Council decision 1979/36 of 10 May 1979, and recommended that the Assembly should consider the adoption of a declaration on the subject,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 35/199 of 15 December 1980, 36/165 of 16 December 1981, 37/169 of 17 December 1982 and 38/87 of 16 December 1983, by which it decided to establish an open-ended working group for the purpose of concluding the elaboration of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live.

*Having considered* the comments submitted by Governments, specialized agencies, regional and intergovernmental organizations and the competent organs of the United Nations pursuant to General Assembly resolution 37/169 on the reports of the open-ended working groups established at the thirty-fifth, thirty-sixth, thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth sessions of the Assembly,<sup>75</sup>

*Having considered* the report of the Working Group established for the purpose of concluding the elaboration of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live,<sup>76</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Working Group and of the fact that, although the Working Group has done useful work, it has not had sufficient time to conclude its task;

2. *Decides* to establish, at its fortieth session, an open-ended working group for the purpose of concluding the elaboration of the draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to submit further comments and views on the draft declaration as a whole, taking into consideration the progress made by the Working Group and the present state of the draft, in time for their inclusion in a report of the Secretary-General to be submitted to the General Assembly at its fortieth session;

4. *Expresses the hope* that a draft declaration on the human rights of individuals who are not citizens of the country in which they live will be adopted by the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

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<sup>69</sup> *Ibid.*, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5464), chap. XIX, sect. A.

<sup>70</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 6* (E/1979/36), chap. XXIV, sect. A.

<sup>71</sup> *Ibid.*, 1980, Supplement No. 3 (E/1980/13 and Corr.1), chap. XXVI, sect. A.

<sup>72</sup> See E/CN.4/1296, chap. XVII, sect. A.

### 39/104. Assistance to refugees in Somalia

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 35/180 of 15 December 1980, 36/153 of 16 December 1981, 37/174 of 17 December 1982 and 38/88 of 16 December 1983 on the question of assistance to refugees in Somalia,

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on assistance to refugees in Somalia,<sup>77</sup> in particular section IV of that report,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa, held at Geneva from 9 to 11 July 1984,<sup>78</sup>

*Deeply concerned* that the refugee problem in Somalia has not yet been resolved,

*Aware* of the additional burden imposed by the new influx of refugees and the consequent urgent need for further international assistance,

*Aware* of serious shortfalls in the provision of food assistance, which have resulted in critical ration restrictions and extreme hardship in refugee camps in Somalia,

*Recognizing* from the recommendations contained in the report of the High Commissioner that there remains an urgent need for increased assistance in the provision of food, water and medicine, the strengthening of health and educational facilities in the refugee camps and the expansion of the number of self-help schemes and small-scale farming and settlement projects necessary for the promotion of self-reliance among the refugees,

*Aware* of the continued consequences of the social and economic burden placed on the Government and people of Somalia as a result of the continued presence of refugees and the consequent impact on national development and the infrastructure of the country,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner for their continued efforts to mobilize international assistance on behalf of the refugees in Somalia;

3. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the assistance rendered to refugees in Somalia by various Member States, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and other concerned intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

4. *Appeals* to Member States, international organizations and voluntary agencies to render maximum material, financial and technical assistance to the Government of Somalia in its efforts to provide all necessary assistance to the refugees, and to fulfil the pledges undertaken at or after the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa to support the developmental and other essential projects which were submitted by the Government of Somalia, as a matter of urgency;

5. *Requests* the High Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretary-General, to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1985, of the refugee situation in Somalia;

6. *Also requests* the High Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretary-General, to submit to the General

<sup>73</sup> E/CN.4/1336.

<sup>74</sup> E/CN.4/1354 and Add.1-6.

<sup>75</sup> See A/38/147 and Add.1.

<sup>76</sup> A/C.3/39/9 and Corr.1.

<sup>77</sup> A/39/443.

<sup>78</sup> A/39/402 and Add.1 and 2.

Assembly at its fortieth session a report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 39/105. Assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia

*The General Assembly,*

Recalling its resolutions 35/91 of 5 December 1980, 36/161 of 16 December 1981, 37/175 of 17 December 1982 and 38/91 of 16 December 1983 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1980/54 of 24 July 1980 and 1982/2 of 27 April 1982,

Recalling also the report of the Secretary-General, prepared pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/8 of 28 April 1980,<sup>79</sup>

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia,<sup>80</sup>

Having heard the statement made on 12 November 1984 by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,<sup>81</sup>

Recognizing the increasing number of voluntary returnees and refugees in Ethiopia,

Deeply concerned at the plight of displaced persons and voluntary returnees in the country, which has been aggravated by the devastating effect of the prolonged drought,

Aware of the heavy burden placed on the Government of Ethiopia in caring for displaced persons and victims of natural disasters, as well as for returnees and refugees,

1. Commends the efforts made so far by various organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies in mobilizing humanitarian assistance to assist the efforts of the Government of Ethiopia;

2. Appeals to Member States and to international organizations and voluntary agencies to render maximum material, financial and technical assistance to the Government of Ethiopia in its efforts to provide relief and rehabilitation to displaced persons, voluntary returnees and refugees in Ethiopia;

3. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to intensify his efforts in mobilizing humanitarian assistance for the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of voluntary returnees, refugees and displaced persons in Ethiopia;

4. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the High Commissioner, to apprise the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1985, of the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

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### 39/106. Emergency assistance to returnees and displaced persons in Chad

*The General Assembly,*

Gravely concerned by the unprecedented drought which is wreaking havoc in Chad at the present time, compounding the already precarious food and health situation in that country,

Conscious that the large number of voluntary returnees and displaced persons as a result of the war and the drought in Chad poses a serious problem of integrating them into society,

Considering that, in addition to being a land-locked country and one of the least developed countries, Chad is placed in a particularly difficult situation by reason of the war and the drought,

Bearing in mind the many appeals made by the Government of Chad, in particular that made on 9 October 1984 to the General Assembly,<sup>82</sup> and by humanitarian organizations regarding the gravity of the food and health situation in Chad,

Recalling the urgent appeal of the Secretary-General dated 1 November 1984<sup>83</sup> for international emergency assistance to the voluntary returnees and displaced persons in Chad afflicted by natural disasters,

1. Endorses the appeals made by the Government of Chad and the Secretary-General concerning emergency assistance to the voluntary returnees and displaced persons in Chad;

2. Invites all States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to support by generous contributions the efforts being made by the Government of Chad to assist and resettle the voluntary returnees and displaced persons;

3. Takes note with approval of the action undertaken by the various bodies of the United Nations system and the specialized agencies with a view to mobilizing emergency humanitarian assistance to the voluntary returnees and displaced persons in Chad;

4. Requests the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator to mobilize, in accordance with their respective mandates, emergency humanitarian assistance to the voluntary returnees and displaced persons in Chad;

5. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to report to the General Assembly at its fortieth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 39/107. Humanitarian assistance to refugees in Djibouti

*The General Assembly,*

Recalling its resolutions 35/182 of 15 December 1980, 36/156 of 16 December 1981, 37/176 of 17 December 1982 and 38/89 of 16 December 1983 on humanitarian assistance to refugees in Djibouti,

Having heard the statement made on 12 November 1984 by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,<sup>81</sup>

Having considered with satisfaction the reports of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on humanitarian assistance to refugees in Djibouti,<sup>84</sup>

Appreciating the determined and sustained efforts made by the Government of Djibouti, despite its modest economic resources and limited means, to cope with the pressing needs of the refugees,

<sup>79</sup> A/35/360 and Corr.1-3.

<sup>80</sup> A/39/446.

<sup>81</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Third Committee, 36th meeting, paras. 1-12.*

<sup>82</sup> *Ibid.*, *Plenary Meetings, 27th meeting, paras. 211-270.*

<sup>83</sup> A/39/627; see also *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Plenary Meetings, 47th meeting, para. 1.*

<sup>84</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/39/12); and A/39/444.*