- 8. Urges all parties to the conflict to agree to an immediate cease-fire and to cooperate fully with the present regional initiative of heads of State of States members of the Intergovernmental Authority on Drought and Development (Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda);
- 9. Strongly urges all parties to the hostilities to redouble their efforts to negotiate an equitable solution to the civil conflict to ensure respect for the human rights and fundamental freedoms of the Sudanese people, thereby creating the necessary conditions to end the exodus of Sudanese refugees to neighbouring countries and to facilitate their early return to the Sudan, and welcomes efforts to facilitate dialogue to that end among the parties;
- 10. Calls upon parties to the hostilities to respect fully the applicable provisions of international humanitarian law, including article 3 common to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and the Additional Protocols thereto, of 1977, 171 to halt the use of weapons against the civilian population and to protect all civilians, including women, children and members of ethnic and religious minorities, from violations, including forcible displacement, arbitrary detention, ill-treatment, torture and summary executions, and deplores the consequences for innocent civilians of the use of land-mines by government and rebel forces alike;
- 11. Again calls upon the Government of the Sudan and all parties to permit international agencies, humanitarian organizations and donor Governments to deliver humanitarian assistance to the civilian population and to cooperate with the initiatives of the Department of Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat to deliver humanitarian assistance to all persons in need;
- 12. Again calls again the Government of the Sudan to ensure a full, thorough and prompt investigation by the independent judicial inquiry commission of the killings of Sudanese nationals employed by foreign relief organizations and foreign Governments;
- 13. Welcomes the decision of the Commission on Human Rights to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur for an additional year;
- 14. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Special Rapporteur with all necessary assistance in the discharge of his mandate;
- 15. Calls upon the Government of the Sudan to extend its full and unreserved cooperation to the Special Rapporteur and to assist him in the ongoing discharge of his mandate, and, to this end, to take all necessary steps to ensure that the Special Rapporteur has free and unlimited access to any person in the Sudan with whom he wishes to meet, with no threats or reprisals;
- 16. Recommends the continued monitoring of the serious human rights situation in the Sudan and of the regional efforts to end the hostilities and human suffering in the south, and invites the Commission on Human Rights at its fifty-first session to give urgent attention to the situation of human rights in the Sudan;
- 17. Decides to continue its consideration of this question at its fiftieth session.

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## 49/199. Situation of human rights in Cambodia

The General Assembly,

Guided by the purposes and principles embodied in the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights<sup>11</sup> and the International Covenants on Human Rights<sup>17</sup>

Taking note of the Agreement on a Comprehensive Political Settlement of the Cambodia Conflict, 186 signed in Paris on 23 October 1991, including part III thereof, relating to human rights,

Taking note also of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1994/61 of 4 March 1994<sup>32</sup> and recalling General Assembly resolution 48/154 of 20 December 1993 and previous relevant resolutions, including Commission on Human Rights resolution 1993/6 of 19 February 1993,<sup>31</sup> in which the Commission requested the Secretary-General to appoint a special representative for Cambodia and the subsequent appointment by the Secretary-General of a special representative,

Bearing in mind the role and responsibilities of the United Nations and the international community in the process of the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Cambodia,

Recognizing that the tragic recent history of Cambodia requires special measures to assure the promotion and protection of the human rights of all people in Cambodia and the non-return to the policies and practices of the past, as stipulated in the Agreement signed on 23 October 1991,

Welcoming the establishment in Cambodia of the office of the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat,

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General to assure the protection of the human rights of all people in Cambodia and to ensure adequate resources, from within existing United Nations resources, for the enhanced functioning of the operational presence in Cambodia of the Centre for Human Rights of the Secretariat;
- 2. Welcomes the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly on the role of the Centre for Human Rights in assisting the Government and people of Cambodia in the promotion and protection of human rights; <sup>187</sup>
- 3. Also welcomes the visit to Cambodia of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;
- 4. Welcomes and encourages the efforts of individuals, non-governmental organizations, Governments and international organizations involved in human rights activities in Cambodia;
- 5. Takes note with appreciation of the report on the situation of human rights in Cambodia submitted by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General 188 and endorses his recommendations and conclusions, including those aimed at:
- (a) Ensuring the independence of the judiciary and the establishment of the rule of law;
  - (b) The promotion and protection of civil rights;
- (c) The promotion of multi-cultural tolerance and acceptance of ethnic diversity within Cambodia;
- 6. Requests the Special Representative, in collaboration with the office in Cambodia of the Centre for Human Rights, to undertake an evaluation of the extent to which the recommendations made by the Special Representative in his report mentioned in paragraph 5 above and those contained in his first report, <sup>189</sup> are followed up and implemented;

See A/46/608-S/23177; see Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-sixth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1991, document S/23177, annex.

<sup>187</sup> A/49/635/Add.1.

See A/49/635.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>189</sup> E/CN.4/1994/73 and Add.1.

- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to provide all necessary resources, from within the regular budget of the United Nations, to enable the Special Representative to continue to fulfil his tasks expeditiously;
- 8. Welcomes the efforts made by the Government of Cambodia to promote and protect human rights, including measures in the fields of education concerning human rights and legal education;
- 9. Also welcomes the improvements in conditions of prisons and in creating a functioning system of justice, and urges that efforts continue in these areas;
- 10. Expresses grave concern about the serious violations of human rights as detailed by the Special Representative in his report, and encourages the Government of Cambodia to investigate thoroughly allegations of human rights abuse and to prosecute those who are guilty of human rights offences in accord with due process of law;
- 11. Also expresses grave concern about the outrages committed by the outlawed Khmer Rouge, including the massacre of approximately fifty villagers in Battambang Province in October 1994, the numerous recent incidents of kidnapping of villagers, the taking and killing of foreign hostages and other deplorable incidents detailed in the report of the Special Representative;
- 12. Condemns unreservedly all threats by the outlawed Khmer Rouge to the safety of persons involved in development assistance activities in rural Cambodia;
- 13. Expresses grave concern at the indiscriminate use of antipersonnel land-mines in Cambodia and the devastating consequences and destabilizing effects such mines have on Cambodian society, and encourages the Government of Cambodia to continue its support for the removal of these mines;
- 14. Calls upon the Government of Cambodia to ensure the full observance of human rights for all persons within its jurisdiction in accordance with the International Covenants on Human Rights and other human rights instruments to which Cambodia is a party;
- 15. Requests the Government of Cambodia to meet punctually its reporting obligations under international treaties, drawing on the assistance, where appropriate, of the office in Cambodia of the Centre for Human Rights;
- 16. Encourages the Government of Cambodia to enact a press law which is consistent with international standards and which promotes press responsibility while protecting freedom of expression;
- 17. Requests the Centre for Human Rights to assist, with the consent and cooperation of the Government of Cambodia, in providing advice and technical assistance with respect to the creation of an independent national institution for the protection and promotion of human rights, such as an ombudsman or a human rights commission;
- 18. Commends the ongoing efforts of the office in Cambodia of the Centre for Human Rights in supporting and assisting the Government of Cambodia, as well as in supporting nongovernmental organizations and others involved in the protection and promotion of human rights in cooperation with the Government of Cambodia, and condemns unreservedly attacks on them:
- 19. Notes with appreciation the use by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Trust Fund for a Human Rights Education Programme in Cambodia to finance the programme of activities for the office in Cambodia of the Centre for Human Rights as defined in resolutions of the General Assembly and the Commission on Human Rights;

- 20. Requests the Centre for Human Rights, in cooperation with the relevant specialized agencies and development programmes, to develop and implement programmes, with the consent and cooperation of the Government of Cambodia, in the priority areas identified by the Special Representative, paying particular attention to women and vulnerable groups, including children and refugees;
- 21. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the role of the Centre for Human Rights in assisting the Government and people of Cambodia in the promotion and protection of human rights and on the recommendations made by the Special Representative on matters within his mandate;
- 22. Decides to continue its consideration of the situation of human rights in Cambodia at its fiftieth session.

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## 49/200. Situation of human rights in Cuba

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming that all Member States have an obligation to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms as stated in the Charter of the United Nations and elaborated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, <sup>11</sup> the International Covenants on Human Rights <sup>17</sup> and other applicable human rights instruments.

Reaffirming also that all Member States have an obligation to fulfil the commitments they have freely undertaken under the various international instruments,

Recalling its resolution 48/142 of 20 December 1993, in which it regretted profoundly the numerous reports of violations of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Taking particular note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1994/71 of 9 March 1994,<sup>32</sup> in which the Commission recognized with deep appreciation the efforts of the Special Rapporteur to carry out his mandate concerning the situation of human rights in Cuba,

Expressing concern about ongoing reports of serious violations of human rights in Cuba, as outlined in the interim report on the situation of human rights in Cuba submitted to the General Assembly by the Special Rapporteur, 190

Recalling the continued failure of the Government of Cuba to cooperate with the Commission on Human Rights with regard to its resolution 1994/71 by refusing to permit the Special Rapporteur to visit Cuba, and the refusal of the Government of Cuba to respond to the most recent request by the Special Rapporteur to visit Cuba pursuant to his mandate,

Noting the recent visit to Cuba of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights,

- 1. Commends the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights for his interim report on the situation of human rights in Cuba;
- 2. Expresses its full support for the work of the Special Rapporteur;
- 3. Calls once more upon the Government of Cuba to cooperate fully with the Special Rapporteur by permitting him full and free access to establish contact with the Government and the citizens of Cuba so that he may fulfil the mandate entrusted to him:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A/49/544, annex.