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The Security Council,

Noting the reports of the Secretary-General of 3 and 4 December 1971^{1/} and Security Council resolution 303 (1971) of 6 December 1971,

Noting General Assembly resolution 2793 (XXVI) of 7 December 1971, adopted by a vote of 104-11-10,

Noting further that the Government of Pakistan has accepted a cease-fire and withdrawal of armed forces as set forth in General Assembly resolution 2793 (XXVI), and the Government of India's letter in document S/10445,

Regretting that the Government of India has not yet accepted an unconditional and immediate cease-fire and withdrawal as set forth in General Assembly resolution 2793 (XXVI),

Gravely concerned that hostilities continue between India and Pakistan which constitute an immediate threat to international peace and security,

Recognizing the need to deal appropriately at a subsequent stage, within the framework of the Charter of the United Nations, with the issues which have given rise to the hostilities,

Convinced that an early political solution would be necessary for the restoration of conditions of normalcy in the area of conflict and for the return of the refugees to their homes,

Mindful of the provisions of the Charter, in particular of Article 2, paragraph 4,

Recalling the declaration on the strengthening of international security,^{2/} particularly paragraphs 4, 5 and 6,

^{1/} S/10410 and Add.1, S/10403.

^{2/} General Assembly resolution 2374 (XXV) of 16 December 1970.

Recognizing further the need to take immediate measures to bring about an immediate cessation of hostilities between India and Pakistan and effect a withdrawal of their armed forces to their own side of the India-Pakistan borders,

Mindful of the purposes and principles of the Charter and of the Security Council's responsibilities under the relevant provisions of the Charter,

1. Call upon the Governments of India and Pakistan to take forthwith all measures for an immediate cease-fire and withdrawal of their armed forces on the territory of the other to their own side of the India-Pakistan borders;
 2. Urge that efforts be intensified in order to bring about speedily and in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, conditions necessary for the voluntary return of the East Pakistan refugees to their homes;
 3. Call for the full co-operation of all States with the Secretary-General for rendering assistance to and relieving the distress of those refugees;
 4. Call upon all parties concerned to take all possible measures and precautions to safeguard the lives and well-being of the civilian population in the area;
 5. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Security Council promptly and currently informed on the implementation of the present resolution;
 6. Decides to remain seized of the matter and to meet again as circumstances warrant.
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