

(b) To refrain from all direct or indirect relations, economic or otherwise, with South Africa, where those relations concern Namibia;

(c) Not to recognize as legally valid any rights or interests in Namibian property or resources purportedly acquired from the South African Government after 27 October 1966;

(d) To take effective economic and other measures designed to ensure the immediate withdrawal of the South African administration from Namibia, thereby making possible the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2145 (XXI) and 2248 (S-V);

7. *Invites* the Security Council to take effective measures, in conformity with the relevant provisions of the Charter, to secure the withdrawal by South Africa of its illegal administration from Namibia, and the implementation of the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council designed to enable the people of Namibia to exercise their right to self-determination;

8. *Calls once again* upon South Africa to treat Namibians captured during their struggle for freedom as prisoners of war in accordance with the Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War, of 12 August 1949,³⁴ and to comply with the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949,³⁵ and, in this regard, invites the International Committee of the Red Cross to exercise its good offices to secure South Africa's compliance with those Conventions;

9. *Requests* all States and the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to render to the Namibian people all moral and material assistance necessary to continue their struggle for the restoration of their inalienable right to self-determination and independence, and to work out, in active co-operation with the United Nations Council for Namibia and the Organization of African Unity, concrete programmes of assistance to Namibia;

10. *Invites* the specialized agencies to give full publicity, through all media, to the question of Namibia and to the conditions prevailing in the Territory to which their respective spheres of competence are related;

11. *Recommends* the report of the United Nations Council for Namibia³⁶ to all States and to the subsidiary organs of the General Assembly and other competent organs of the United Nations, as well as the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, for appropriate action, in conformity with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council;

12. *Reaffirms* the direct responsibility of the United Nations in regard to the Territory of Namibia and its obligation to lead the Namibian people to self-determination and independence;

13. *Requests* the United Nations Council for Namibia, in accordance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, to continue to discharge its functions and responsibilities, and in particular:

(a) To represent Namibia whenever it is required;

(b) To continue its consultations, at United Nations Headquarters, in Africa or elsewhere, with the representatives of the Namibian people and the Organization of African Unity;

(c) To assume responsibility for the urgent establishment of a short-term and long-term co-ordinated programme of technical and financial assistance to Namibia, as explained in the report of the Secretary-General,³⁷ in line with the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 2248 (S-V);

14. *Notes with appreciation* the recognition by a large number of States of the identity certificates and travel documents issued to Namibians by the United Nations Council for Namibia³⁸ and once again calls upon all other States which have not yet done so to recognize those documents;

15. *Calls upon* all States to co-operate fully with the United Nations Council for Namibia in its efforts to discharge its responsibilities;

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General, bearing in mind the recommendation of the United Nations Council for Namibia concerning the enlargement of its membership with a view to ensuring broader representation on the Council,³⁹ to hold consultations among the permanent members of the Security Council and other regional groups not represented on the United Nations Council for Namibia and to report thereon to the General Assembly;

17. *Urges* the Secretary-General, in view of the recommendation of the United Nations Council for Namibia, to undertake the necessary consultations to nominate as soon as possible a full-time United Nations Commissioner for Namibia;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to provide the necessary assistance and facilities to the United Nations Council for Namibia and to the United Nations Commissioner for Namibia for the discharge of their respective duties and functions;

19. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to intensify publicity relating to Namibia, and to issue a series of United Nations commemorative postage stamps to publicize the direct responsibility of the United Nations for Namibia;

20. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to the competent subsidiary organs of the General Assembly, other organs of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system;

21. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.

2028th plenary meeting,
20 December 1971.

2872 (XXVI). United Nations Fund for Namibia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2145 (XXI) of 27 October 1966, by which the United Nations decided to terminate the Mandate of South Africa over Namibia and

³⁴ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75 (1950), No. 972.

³⁵ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75 (1950), No. 973.

³⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 24 (A/8424)*.

³⁷ A/8473.

³⁸ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 24 (A/8424)*, annex I.

³⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 24 (A/8424), para. 197.

assume direct responsibility for the Territory until its independence,

Reaffirming its resolve to discharge that responsibility in regard to the Territory,

Mindful that, by assuming direct responsibility for Namibia, the United Nations incurred a solemn obligation to assist and prepare the people of the Territory for self-determination and independence,

Recalling further its resolution 2679 (XXV) of 9 December 1970, whereby it decided to establish a United Nations Fund for Namibia to provide comprehensive assistance to the people of the Territory,

Recognizing that South Africa's continued illegal occupation of Namibia at present prevents the United Nations from furnishing needed large-scale assistance within the Territory,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General⁴⁰ on the development, planning, execution and administration of a comprehensive programme of assistance to Namibians in various fields,

Having considered the recommendations set out in that report and having noted that the assistance envisaged consists of:

(a) Short-term and intermediate-term assistance to those Namibians who are at present accessible to international aid,

(b) The drawing up of a plan of co-ordinated international assistance to be implemented within Namibia following the withdrawal of South Africa from the Territory,

Bearing in mind that the scope of the programme, as well as its financing and administrative machinery, will be subject to review by the General Assembly when South Africa's illegal occupation of Namibia is terminated,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General and the conclusions and recommendations contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* its previous decision, contained in resolution 2679 (XXV), to establish a United Nations Fund for Namibia for the purpose of putting into effect the comprehensive programme of assistance to Namibians outlined in the report of the Secretary-General;

3. *Decides*, as a transitional measure, to allocate to the Fund the sum of \$50,000 from the regular budget of the United Nations for 1972;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to appeal to Governments for voluntary contributions to the Fund;

5. *Invites* Governments to appeal to their national organizations and institutions for voluntary financial contributions to the Fund;

6. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to implement the short-term and intermediate-term measures contained in his report as soon as the necessary funds are available;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements for the administration of the Fund and for the comprehensive programme, in conformity with the proposals and suggestions set out in paragraphs 77 to 85 of the report;⁴⁰

8. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to render all necessary assistance to the Secretary-General in

carrying out the tasks assigned to him under the present resolution;

9. *Decides*, pending the entry into full operation of the comprehensive programme, that Namibians shall continue to be eligible for assistance through the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa and the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to undertake a study of the economic, social and cultural needs of Namibia, with a view to the formulation of a contingency plan of co-ordinated international and technical assistance, to be implemented in Namibia following the withdrawal of South Africa from the Territory;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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20 December 1971.*

2873 (XXVI). 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 Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination 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 Southern Rhodesia, Namibia and Territories under Portuguese domination and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa",

Having examined 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,⁴¹

Recalling its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and its resolution 2621 (XXV) of 12 October 1970, containing the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration,

Recalling further its previous resolutions on the item, in particular resolution 2703 (XXV) of 14 December 1970,

Reaffirming that the administering Powers, in accordance with Chapters XI and XII of the Charter of the United Nations, have the obligation to ensure the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Territories under their administration and to protect the human and natural resources of those Territories against abuses,

⁴⁰ A/8473.

⁴¹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 23A (A/8423/Rev.1/Add.1).