5. Notes with satisfaction that the Secretary-General's consideration for the needs of economy, without prejudice to the success of the Conference, has already led to reductions in the costs for 1972 and expresses the hope that the same consideration will be applied to the costs for 1971.

1916th plenary meeting, 3 December 1970.

2655 (XXV). Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly,

Having received and examined the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly for the year 1969/1970,¹⁰

- 1. Takes note of the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency;
- 2. Appreciates the increasingly dynamic and constructive role that the International Atomic Energy Agency is playing in the peaceful application of nuclear energy for the welfare of Member States;
- 3. Commends the work being undertaken by the International Atomic Energy Agency to meet its safeguards responsibilities in accordance with its statute;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency the records of the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly relating to the Agency's activities;
- 5. Invites the International Atomic Energy Agency to take these records into account in its future work.

1917th plenary meeting, 4 December 1970.

2699 (XXV). Report of the Security Council

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the Security Council to the General Assembly covering the period from 16 July 1969 to 15 June 1970.¹¹

1927th plenary meeting, 12 December 1970.

2708 (XXV). Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

The General Assembly,

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

Recalling all its previous resolutions concerning the implementation of the Declaration, in particular resolutions 2548 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 and

Add.1).

11 Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 2 (A/8002).

2554 (XXIV) and 2555 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969.

Noting with grave concern that ten years after the adoption of the Declaration many Territories are still under colonial domination and racist régimes,

Deploring the continued refusal of the colonial Powers, especially Portugal and South Africa, to implement the Declaration and other relevant resolutions on the question of decolonization, particularly those relating to the Territories under Portuguese domination, Namibia and Southern Rhodesia,

Reiterating its conviction that the continuation of colonialism in all its forms and manifestations—including racism, apartheid and activities of foreign economic and other interests which exploit colonial peoples—and the attempts of some colonial Powers to suppress national liberation movements by repressive activities against colonial peoples are incompatible with the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and pose a threat to international peace and security,

Strongly deploring the attitude of those States which, in defiance of the relevant resolutions of the Security Council, the General Assembly and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, continue to co-operate with the Governments of Portugal and South Africa and with the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia,

- 1. Reaffirms its resolution 1514 (XV) and all its other resolutions on the question of decolonization;
- 2. Notes with satisfaction the work accomplished by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and expresses its appreciation to the Special Committee for its efforts to secure the complete and effective implementation of the Declaration;
- 3. Approves the report of the Special Committee covering its work during 1970,¹² including the programme of work envisaged for 1971;
- 4. Urges all States, in particular the administering Powers, and the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to give effect to the recommendations contained in the report of the Special Committee for the speedy implementation of the Declaration and the relevant United Nations resolutions;
- 5. Reaffirms its recognition of the legitimacy of the struggle of the colonial peoples and peoples under alien domination to exercise their right to self-determination and independence by all the necessary means at their disposal and notes with satisfaction the progress made in the colonial Territories by the national liberation movements, both through their struggle and through reconstruction programmes;
- 6. Urges all States and the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to provide, in consultation, as appropriate, with the Organization of African Unity, moral and material assistance to national liberation movements in the colonial Territories;

of the Board of Governors to the General Conference, 1 July 1969-30 June 1970 (Vienna, July 1970) and supplementary report; transmitted to the Members of the General Assembly by notes of the Secretary-General (A/8034 and A/8034/Add 1)

¹² Ibid., Supplement No. 23 (A/8023/Rev.1).

- 7. Requests all States, as well as the specialized agencies and international institutions, to withhold assistance of any kind from the Governments of Portugal and South Africa and from the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia until they renounce their policy of colonial domination and racial discrimination;
- 8. Reiterates its declaration that the practice of using mercenaries against national liberation movements in the colonial Territories constitutes a criminal act and calls upon all States to take the necessary measures to prevent the recruitment, financing and training of mercenaries in their territory and to prohibit their nationals from serving as mercenaries;
- 9. Requests the colonial Powers to withdraw immediately and unconditionally their military bases and installations from colonial Territories and to refrain from establishing new ones;
- 10. Condemns the policies, pursued by certain colonial Powers in the Territories under their domination, of imposing non-representative régimes and constitutions, strengthening the position of foreign economic and other interests, misleading world public opinion and encouraging the systematic influx of foreign immigrants while evicting, displacing and transferring the indigenous inhabitants to other areas, and calls upon those Powers to desist forthwith from such policies;
- 11. Requests the Special Committee to continue to seek suitable means for the immediate and full implementation of the Declaration in all Territories which have not yet attained independence and, in particular, to formulate specific proposals for the elimination of the remaining manifestations of colonialism, taking fully into account the relevant provisions of the programme of action for the full implementation of the Declaration;
- 12. Requests the Special Committee to make concrete suggestions which could assist the Security Council in considering appropriate measures under the Charter of the United Nations with regard to developments in colonial Territories which are likely to threaten international peace and security, and recommends that the Security Council take such suggestions fully into consideration;
- 13. Requests the Special Committee to continue to examine the compliance of Member States with the Declaration and with other relevant resolutions on the question of decolonization, particularly those relating to the Territories under Portuguese domination, Namibia and Southern Rhodesia, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session;
- 14. Requests the Special Committee to continue to pay particular attention to the small Territories, and to recommend to the General Assembly the most appropriate methods and also the steps to be taken to enable the populations of those Territories to exercise fully and without delay their right to self-determination and independence;
- 15. Calls upon the administering Powers to cooperate fully with the Special Committee by permitting the access of visiting groups to the colonial Territories in order to secure first-hand information concerning the Territories and to ascertain the wishes and aspirations of the inhabitants of those Territories under their administration;
- 16. Requests the Secretary-General, having regard to the suggestions of the Special Committee, to con-

- tinue to take concrete measures through all the media at his disposal, including publications, radio and television, to give widespread and continuous publicity to the work of the United Nations in the field of decolonization, to the situation in the colonial Territories and to the continuing struggle for liberation being waged by the colonial peoples;
- 17. Requests Member States, in particular the administering Powers, to co-operate with the Secretary-General in promoting the large-scale dissemination of information on the work of the United Nations in the implementation of the Declaration;
- 18. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Special Committee with the facilities and personnel necessary for the implementation of the present resolution as well as the various resolutions relating to the question of decolonization adopted by the General Assembly and the Special Committee.

1929th plenary meeting, 14 December 1970.

2728 (XXV). Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, 18

Recalling its grave concern about the acute financial situation of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East and its serious implications for the future work of the Agency,

Bearing in mind the need to take all possible measures to prevent a reduction of the services being provided to the Palestine refugees by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East,

Taking into account the urgency to undertake such action,

- 1. Approves the report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
- 2. Endorses the recommendations contained in paragraph 10 of the report of the Working Group and urges the full co-operation of all concerned for their implementation;
- 3. Requests the Working Group to continue its work in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2656 (XXV) of 7 December 1970 and the present resolution;
- 4. Renews its appeal to all Governments to join in a collective effort to solve the financial crisis of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East.

1931st plenary meeting, 15 December 1970.

¹³ Ibid., Twenty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 35, document A/8264.