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35/19. Question of Western Sahara

The General Assembly,

Having considered in depth the question of Western Sahara,

Recalling the inalienable right of all peoples to self-determination and independence in accordance with the principles set forth in the Charter of the United Nations and in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

Recalling its resolution 34/37 of 21 November 1979 on the question of Western Sahara,

Having considered the relevant chapter of 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,

Having heard the statements made on the question of Western Sahara, in particular the statement of the representative of the Frente Popular para la Liberacion de Saguia el-Hamra y de Rio de Oro,1

Bear in mind the profound concern of the United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and the non-aligned countries regarding the decolonization of Western Sahara,

Also bearing in mind the deep concern of the United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and the non-aligned countries at the aggravation of the situation prevailing in Western Sahara because of the continued occupation of that Territory by Morocco,

Taking note of decision AGH/Dec.118 (XVII) on the question of Western Sahara adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its seventeenth ordinary session, held at Freetown from 1 to 4 July 1980,4

Recalling its resolution 34/21 of 9 November 1979 on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity,

I. Reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of Western Sahara to self-determination and independence in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, the Charter of the Organization of African Unity and

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1 For the decisions adopted on the reports of the Fourth Committee, see sect. X, B.5.
3 Ibid., Thirty-fifth Session, Fourth Committee, 19th meeting, paras. 3-14.
4 See A/35/463 and Corr.1, annex II.
the objectives of General Assembly resolution 1514
(XV), and the legitimacy of their struggle to ensure the
enjoyment of that right, as envisaged in the relevant res-
olutions of the United Nations and the Organization of
African Unity;

2. Deeply deplores the fact that its resolution 34/37,
in which are set forth the ways and means for a just and
definitive political solution of the question of Western
Sahara, has not been implemented;

3. Again declares that it is deeply concerned at the
aggravation of the situation deriving from the contin-
ued occupation of Western Sahara by Morocco and
from the extension of that occupation to the part of
Western Sahara which was the subject of the peace
agreement concluded on 10 August 1979 between
Mauritania and the Frente Popular para la Liberación
de Sagaua el-Hamra y de Rio de Oro;

4. Reaffirms that a solution to the question of
Western Sahara lies in the exercise by the people of that
Territory of their inalienable rights, including their right
to self-determination and independence;

5. Takes note of the decision of the question of
Western Sahara adopted by the Assembly of Heads of
State and Government of the Organization of African
Unity at its seventeenth ordinary session;

6. Takes note also of the conclusions adopted by the
Ad Hoc Committee of Heads of State and Government
of the Organization of African Unity at its fourth ses-

7. Welcomes the efforts made by the Organization of
African Unity and its Ad Hoc Committee, as well as the
availability of the parties concerned and interested, with
a view to promoting a just and definitive solution to the
question of Western Sahara in accordance with the re-

8. Reaffirms to this end the determination of the
United Nations to co-operate fully with the Organiza-
tion of African Unity with a view to enabling the people
of Western Sahara to exercise their right to self-
determination and independence in accordance with the
relevant resolutions of the United Nations and the Organ-
ization of African Unity;

9. Reiterates the appeal contained in its resolution
34/37 whereby it urged Morocco to join in the peace
process and to terminate the occupation of the Territory
of Western Sahara;

10. Urges, to that end, Morocco and the Frente
Popular para la Liberación de Sagaua el-Hamra y de Rio
de Oro, representative of the people of Western Sahara,
to enter into direct negotiations with a view to arriving
at a definitive settlement of the question of Western
Sahara;

11. Requests the Special Committee on the Situation
with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on
the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and
Peoples to continue to consider the situation in
Western Sahara as a matter of priority and to report
thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth ses-
sion;

12. Requests the Secretary-General of the Organ-
zation of African Unity to keep the Secretary-General
of the United Nations informed of the progress achieved
in implementing the decisions of the Organization of
African Unity on the question of Western Sahara;

13. Invites the Secretary-General to follow closely
the situation in Western Sahara with a view to the im-
plementation of the present resolution and to report
thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth ses-

56th plenary meeting
11 November 1980

35/20. Question of Belize

The General Assembly,

Having considered the question of Belize,

Having examined the relevant chapters of 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,

Recalling its resolutions 3432 (XXX) of 8 December
1975, 31/50 of 1 December 1976, 32/32 of 28 November
1977, 33/36 of 13 December 1978 and 34/38 of 21
November 1979,

Having heard the statements of the representatives
of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern
Ireland and Guatemala,

Having also heard the statement of the representative
of Belize,

Recalling that the Sixth Conference of Heads of State
or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at
Havana from 3 to 9 September 1979, reiterated its
unconditional support for the Belizean people’s inalien-
able right to self-determination, independence and ter-
ritorial integrity and condemned all pressure or threats
to prevent the full exercise of that right,

Reaffirming the principles established in the Declara-
tion on the Granting of Independence to Colonial
Countries and Peoples, set out in its resolution 1514
(XV) of 14 December 1960, in particular that all peoples
have the right to self-determination, by virtue of which
right they freely determine their political status and
freely pursue their economic, social and cultural devel-

Welcoming the fact that, in accordance with General
Assembly resolution 34/38, negotiations have recently
taken place between the Government of Guatemala and
the Government of the United Kingdom in close con-

Noting with regret, however, that despite their efforts
and good faith it has not yet proved possible for the par-
ties concerned to agree upon a settlement of their differ-

Convinced that the differences that exist between the
United Kingdom and Guatemala do not in any way
derogate from the inalienable right of the people of
Belize to self-determination, independence and territo-
rial integrity and that the continuing inability of the par-

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\textsuperscript{a} Official Documents of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 23 (A/35/23/Rev.1), chaps. IV and XXV
\textsuperscript{b} Ibid., Thirty-fifth Session, Fourth Committee, 11th meeting, paras. 40-44, and 19th meeting, paras. 16-19.
\textsuperscript{c} Ibid., 17th meeting, paras. 32-38, and 23rd meeting, paras. 4-8.
\textsuperscript{d} Ibid., 19th meeting, paras. 93-99.
\textsuperscript{e} See A/34/542, annex, sect. 1, para. 165.