

called "constitutional proposals" and to take all necessary measures, in accordance with the Charter, to avert the further aggravation of tension and conflict in South Africa and in southern Africa as a whole.

*56th plenary meeting  
15 November 1983*

### 38/12. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)<sup>33</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

*Aware* that the maintenance of colonial situations is incompatible with the United Nations ideal of universal peace,

*Recalling* its resolutions 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, 2065 (XX) of 16 December 1965, 3160 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 31/49 of 1 December 1976 and 37/9 of 4 November 1982,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolutions 502 (1982) of 3 April 1982 and 505 (1982) of 26 May 1982,

*Having received* the report of the Secretary-General on his mission of good offices,<sup>34</sup>

*Regretting* the lack of progress in the implementation of resolution 37/9,

*Aware* of the interest of the international community in the resumption by the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of their negotiations in order to find as soon as possible a peaceful and just solution to the sovereignty dispute relating to the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas),

*Taking into account* the existence of a *de facto* cessation of hostilities in the South Atlantic and the expressed intention of the parties not to renew them,

*Reaffirming* the need for the parties to take due account of the interests of the population of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 2065 (XX), 3160 (XXVIII) and 37/9,

*Reaffirming also* the principles of the Charter of the United Nations on the non-use of force or the threat of force in international relations and the peaceful settlement of international disputes,

1. *Reiterates* its request to the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume negotiations in order to find as soon as possible a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute relating to the question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas);

2. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 37/9;<sup>34</sup>

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his renewed mission of good offices in order to assist the parties in complying with the request made in paragraph 1 above, and to take the necessary measures to that end;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-ninth session the item entitled "Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)".

*59th plenary meeting  
16 November 1983*

### 38/13. Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte

*The General Assembly,*

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

*Recalling also* its previous resolutions, in particular resolutions 3161 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 3291 (XXIX) of 13 December 1974, 31/4 of 21 October 1976, 32/7 of 1 November 1977, 34/69 of 6 December 1979, 35/43 of 28 November 1980, 36/105 of 10 December 1981 and 37/65 of 3 December 1982, in which it, *inter alia*, affirmed the unity and territorial integrity of the Comoros,

*Recalling*, in particular, its resolution 3385 (XXX) of 12 November 1975 on the admission of the Comoros to membership in the United Nations, in which it reaffirmed the necessity of respecting the unity and territorial integrity of the Comoro Archipelago, composed of the islands of Anjouan, Grande-Comore, Mayotte and Mohéli,

*Recalling further* that, in accordance with the agreements between the Comoros and France, signed on 15 June 1973, concerning the accession of the Comoros to independence, the results of the referendum of 22 December 1974 were to be considered on a global basis and not island by island,

*Convinced* that a just and lasting solution to the question of Mayotte is to be found in respect for the sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of the Comoro Archipelago,

*Bearing in mind* the wish expressed by the President of the French Republic to seek actively a just solution to that problem,

*Taking note* of the talks opened between the Government of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros and the Government of the French Republic,

*Taking note also* of the wish of the Government of the Comoros to activate the dialogue with the Government of France with a view to encouraging the prompt return of the Comorian island of Mayotte to the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros as a whole,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>35</sup>

*Bearing in mind* the decisions of the Organization of African Unity, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries and the Organization of the Islamic Conference concerning this question,

1. *Reaffirms* the sovereignty of the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros over the island of Mayotte;

2. *Invites* the Government of France to honour the commitments entered into prior to the referendum on the self-determination of the Comoro Archipelago of 22 December 1974 concerning respect for the unity and territorial integrity of the Comoros;

3. *Calls* for the translation into practice of the wish expressed by the President of the French Republic to see a just solution to the question of Mayotte adopted as soon as possible;

<sup>33</sup> See also sect. I, footnote 6, and sect. X.B.5, decision 38/405.

<sup>34</sup> A/38/532.

<sup>35</sup> A/38/517.