Thirty-seventh session

PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH REGULAR SESSION
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY*

To convene at Headquarters, New York, on
Tuesday, 21 September 1982, at 3 p.m.

* Issued in accordance with rule 12 of the rules of procedure.
1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Iraq.

2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.

3. Credentials of representatives to the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly:
   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee (decision 36/301 of 15 September 1981);


5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (decision 36/303 of 15 September 1981).


   (a) Report of the General Committee (decisions 36/401 to 36/403);
   (b) Subsidiary organs of the General Assembly (resolution 36/117 A).


15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs:
   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council
       (decision 36/306 of 15 October 1981);
   (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council

16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections:
   (a) Election of fifteen members of the Industrial Development Board
       (decision 36/322 of 17 December 1981);
   (b) Election of nineteen members of the Governing Council of the United
       Nations Environment Programme (decision 36/314 of 19 November 1981);
   (c) Election of twelve members of the World Food Council (decision 36/308 of
       27 October 1981);
   (d) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and
       Co-ordination (decision 36/315 of 19 November 1981);
   (e) Election of the members of the Board of Governors of the United Nations
       Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries (decision 36/319 of
       17 December 1981);
   (f) Election of seventeen members of the United Nations Commission on
       International Trade Law (decision 34/308 of 9 November 1979);
   (g) Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
       (decision 32/314 of 8 December 1977).

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:
   (a) Appointment of five members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative
       and Budgetary Questions (decisions 36/305 A of 22 September 1981,
       36/305 B of 7 October 1981 and 36/305 C of 30 November 1981);
   (b) Appointment of six members of the Committee on Contributions
       (decision 36/318 of 30 November 1981);
   (c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors (decision 36/310 of
       9 November 1981);
   (d) Confirmation of the appointment of three members of the Investments
       Committee (decision 36/311 of 9 November 1981);
(e) Appointment of three members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (decision 36/312 of 9 November 1981);

(f) International Civil Service Commission (decisions 35/321 of 17 December 1980 and 36/324 of 18 December 1981);

(i) Appointment of five members of the Commission;

(ii) Designation of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commission;

(g) Appointment of three members and three alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee (decisions 34/309 of 23 November 1979 and 36/313 of 9 November 1981);

(h) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women (decision 34/323 of 20 December 1979);

(i) Confirmation of the appointment of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (decision 33/312 of 15 December 1978);

(j) Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (decision 34/321 of 19 December 1979);


(a) 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;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/45 and decision 36/406).

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations.


24. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/27 of 13 November 1981).


   (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People;
   (b) Report of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on the Question of Palestine (resolution 36/120 C);
   (c) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/120 E, ES-7/4 and ES-7/5).
32. Question of Namibia (resolutions 36/121 A to F of 10 December 1981):
   (a) 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;
   (b) Report of the United Nations Council for Namibia;
   (c) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/121 B, C and D).
33. Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa (resolutions
    36/172 A to P of 17 December 1981 and decision 36/419 of 27 November 1981):
    (a) Report of the Special Committee against Apartheid;
    (b) Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Drafting of an International
         Convention against Apartheid in Sports (resolution 36/172 I);
    (c) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/172 D and P).
34. The situation in the Middle East (resolutions 36/226 A and B of
    17 December 1981 and ES-9/1 of 5 February 1982); reports of the Secretary-
    General (resolutions 36/226 A and ES-9/1).
35. Question of peace, stability and co-operation in South-East Asia (decision
36. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the
    Security Council (decision 36/460 of 18 December 1981).
37. Question of Cyprus: report of the Secretary-General (decision 36/461 of
    18 December 1981). 1/
38. Launching of global negotiations on international economic co-operation for
    development (decision 36/461 of 18 December 1981). 1/
39. Economic and social consequences of the armaments race and its extremely
    harmful effects on world peace and security; report of the Secretary-General
    (resolution 35/141 of 12 December 1980).
40. Reduction of military budgets (resolutions 36/82 A and B of 9 December 1981):
    (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission (resolution 36/82 A);
    (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/82 B).

1/ The inclusion of this item in the provisional agenda of the thirty-seventh
session is subject to any decision that the General Assembly may take at its resumed
thirty-sixth session (see decision 36/461).

42. Cessation of all test explosions of nuclear weapons: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/84 of 9 December 1981).


46. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in South Asia: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/88 of 9 December 1981).

47. Prohibition of the development and manufacture of new types of weapons of mass destruction and new systems of such weapons: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/89 of 9 December 1981).


50. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (resolutions 33/71 D of 14 December 1978 and 36/92 A to H of 9 December 1981):

   (a) Report of the Disarmament Commission (resolution 36/92 B);

   (b) Report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/92 F);

   (c) Disarmament Week: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 33/71 D);

   (d) Nuclear weapons in all aspects: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/92 E);

   (e) Status of multilateral disarmament agreements: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/92 H);

   (f) Non-use of nuclear weapons and prevention of nuclear war (resolution 36/92 I);
(g) Prohibition of the nuclear neutron weapon: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/92 K);

(b) Implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the tenth special session: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/92 M).


52. Conclusion of an international convention on the strengthening of the security of non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/94 of 9 December 1981).

53. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/95 of 9 December 1981).

54. Chemical and bacteriological (biological) weapons (resolutions 36/96 A to C of 9 December 1981):

(a) Report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolutions 36/96 A and B);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/96 C).

55. General and complete disarmament (resolutions 36/97 A to L of 9 December 1981):

(a) Prohibition of the development, production, stockpiling and use of radiological weapons: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/97 B);

(b) Prevention of an arms race in outer space and prohibition of anti-satellite systems: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/97 C);

(c) Institutional arrangements relating to the process of disarmament (resolution 36/97 D);

(d) Non-stationing of nuclear weapons on the territories of States where there are no such weapons at present: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/97 E);

(e) Prohibition of the production of fissile material for weapons purposes: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/97 G);

(f) Strategic arms limitation talks (resolution 36/97 I).

57. Conclusion of a treaty on the prohibition of the stationing of weapons of any kind in outer space: report of the Committee on Disarmament (resolution 36/99 of 9 December 1981).


62. International co-operation in the peaceful uses of outer space (resolutions 36/35 and 36/36 of 18 November 1981):

(a) Report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (resolution 36/35);

(b) Second United Nations Conference on the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (resolution 36/36);

(i) Report of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference;


63. Preparation of an international convention on principles governing the use by States of artificial earth satellites for direct television broadcasting: report of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (resolution 36/35 of 18 November 1981).

64. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects (resolution 36/37 of 18 November 1981).


2/ The wording of this item is subject to change as a result of any decision that the General Assembly may take at its resumed thirty-sixth session (see decision 36/462).
(a) Report of the Commissioner-General;

(b) Report of the Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (resolution 36/146 E and decisions 36/431, 36/461 and 36/462);

(c) Report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine (resolution 36/146 F);

(d) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/146 A, B, C, G and H).


67. Questions relating to information (resolutions 36/149 A and B of 16 December 1981):

(a) Report of the Committee on Information;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/149 B);


68. Israel’s decision to build a canal linking the Mediterranean Sea to the Dead Sea: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/150 of 16 December 1981).

69. Question of the Malagasy islands of Glorieuses, Juan de Nova, Europa and Bassas da India (decision 36/432 of 16 December 1981).


71. Development and international economic co-operation:

(a) International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade (decision 36/421 of 4 December 1981);

(b) Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (decision 36/441 of 17 December 1981);


(i) Report of the Trade and Development Board;

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 35/61);

(iii) Reports of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (resolutions 34/197, 36/142 and 36/143);

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(d) Industrialization (resolutions 35/66 A of 5 December 1980 and 36/181 and 36/182 of 17 December 1981):

(i) Report of the Industrial Development Board;

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/182);

(e) Science and technology for development: report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development (resolutions 36/183 and 36/184 and decision 36/442 of 17 December 1981);

(f) Food problems (resolutions 36/185 and 36/186 and decision 36/444 of 17 December 1981):

(i) Report of the World Food Council;

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/186);

(g) Economic and technical co-operation among developing countries (resolution 36/44 of 19 November 1981);

(h) Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system (resolutions 34/214 of 19 December 1979 and 36/187 of 17 December 1981 and decisions 36/445 and 36/446 of 17 December 1981): report of the Secretary-General (resolution 34/214);


(i) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its session of a special character and on its tenth session;

(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/188 and 36/191);

(j) Human settlements (resolutions 36/71, 36/72 A to C and 36/73 of 4 December 1981):

(i) Report of the Commission on Human Settlements;

(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/71 and 36/73);

(k) Effective mobilization and integration of women in development (resolution 36/74 and decision 36/422 of 4 December 1981): report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/74);

(l) Long-term trends in economic development: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 34/57 of 29 November 1979 and decision 36/423 of 4 December 1981);

(m) United Nations Special Fund (decision 36/424 of 4 December 1981);
(n) New and renewable sources of energy (resolution 36/193 and decision 36/447 of 17 December 1981);

(i) Report of the Interim Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy (resolution 36/193, sect. II);

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/193, sect. VII);

(o) Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/194 of 17 December 1981).

72. Operational activities for development:

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 35/81 of 5 December 1980 and 36/199 of 17 December 1981);

(b) United Nations Development Programme: report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 35/80 of 5 December 1980 and 36/200 of 17 December 1981);

(c) United Nations Capital Development Fund (resolution 36/196 of 17 December 1981);

(d) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration;

(e) United Nations Fund for Population Activities (resolution 36/201 of 17 December 1981);

(f) United Nations Volunteers programme (resolution 36/198 of 17 December 1981);

(g) United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries (resolution 36/195 of 17 December 1981);

(h) United Nations Children's Fund (resolutions 36/197 of 17 December 1981 and 36/244 of 28 April 1982);

(i) World Food Programme (resolution 36/202 of 17 December 1981);

(j) Technical co-operation activities undertaken by the Secretary-General.

73. Training and research:

(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Executive Director (resolution 36/75 of 4 December 1981);

74. Special economic and disaster relief assistance:

(a) Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator: reports of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/225 of 17 December 1981);

(b) Special programmes of economic assistance: reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/204 to 36/223 of 17 December 1981);

(c) Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Saharan region: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/203 of 17 December 1981).

75. Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist regimes in southern Africa (resolution 35/32 of 14 November 1980).


78. World social situation: reports of the Secretary-General (resolution 34/152 of 17 December 1979).

79. Importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination and of the speedy granting of independence to colonial countries and peoples for the effective guarantee and observance of human rights: report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/9 and 36/10 of 28 October 1981).

80. Elimination of all forms of racial discrimination (resolutions 36/11 to 36/13 of 28 October 1981):

(a) Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (resolution 36/12);

(b) Status of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/11);

(c) Status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/13).

82. Question of the elderly and the aged: reports of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/20 of 9 November 1981).


84. Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance (resolution 36/55 and decision 36/412 of 25 November 1981).


   (a) Report of the Human Rights Committee;
   (b) Status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/58);
   (c) Publicity for the work of the Human Rights Committee: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/58);
   (d) Elaboration of a second optional protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/59).

88. Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (resolutions 33/178 of 20 December 1978 and 36/60 and 36/61 of 25 November 1981):
   (a) Unilateral declarations by Member States against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 33/178);
   (b) Draft Code of Medical Ethics: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/61).

89. World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/77 of 8 December 1981).

(a) Report of the High Commissioner (resolution 36/125);

(b) Question of the continuation of the Office of the High Commissioner (resolution 32/68);

(c) Assistance to refugees in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/124).


(a) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Half of the United Nations Decade for Women: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/126);

(b) Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 35/137);

(c) Draft Declaration on the Participation of Women in the Struggle for the Strengthening of International Peace and for the Solution of Other Vital National and International Problems: report of the Secretary-General (decision 36/428).


(a) Report of the Secretary-General;

(b) 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.
97. Question of East Timor (resolution 36/50 of 24 November 1981):

(a) 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;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General.

98. 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 Namibia and in all other Territories under colonial domination and efforts to eliminate colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination in southern Africa (resolution 36/51 of 24 November 1981):

(a) 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;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General.


(a) 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;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General.


102. Financial reports and accounts, and reports of the Board of Auditors (resolution 36/65 and decision 36/420 of 30 November 1981):

(a) United Nations;

(b) United Nations Development Programme;

(c) United Nations Children's Fund;

(d) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
(e) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

(f) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;

(g) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme;

(h) United Nations Fund for Population Activities;

(i) United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation.


104. Programme planning (resolutions 33/118 of 19 December 1978 and 36/228 A and B of 18 December 1981):

(a) Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

(b) Medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989;

(c) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 33/118 and 36/228 A).


(a) Report of the Negotiating Committee on the Financial Emergency of the United Nations;

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/116 B).


(a) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (resolution 36/229);

(b) Impact of inflation and monetary instability on the regular budget of the United Nations (resolution 36/230);

(c) Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal: report of the Secretary-General (decision 36/453).


(a) Report of the Committee on Conferences;
(b) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/117 A and B).


(a) Composition of the Secretariat: report of the Secretary-General;
(b) Respect for the privileges and immunities of officials of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and related organizations: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/232);
(c) Other personnel questions.


(a) Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board;
(b) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/119 B and C).


(a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force: report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/66 A and B);
(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon: report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 36/138 A to C).


117. Resolutions adopted by the United Nations Conference on the Representation of States in Their Relations with International Organizations:

(a) Resolution relating to the observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 35/167 of 15 December 1980);

(b) Resolution relating to the application of the Convention in future activities of international organizations.

118. Report of the Special Committee on Enhancing the Effectiveness of the Principle of Non-Use of Force in International Relations (resolution 36/31 of 13 November 1981).


120. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/33 of 13 November 1981).


(a) Report of the Special Committee (resolution 36/122);

(b) Updating of the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council and the Repertoire of Practice of United Nations Organs: report of the Secretary-General (resolution 36/123).


131. Question of the review of the Convention on International Liability for Damage Caused by Space Objects [item proposed by the Secretary-General (A/37/141)].

132. State of signatures and ratifications of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of international armed conflicts (Protocol I) and the protection of victims of non-international armed conflicts (Protocol II) [item proposed by Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden (A/37/142)].

133. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (decision S-12/24 of 10 July 1982):

(a) Report of the Committee on Disarmament;

(b) Implementation of the Declaration of the 1980s as the Second Disarmament Decade and consideration of initiatives and proposals of Member States;

(c) United Nations programme of fellowships on disarmament: report of the Secretary-General;

(d) World Disarmament Campaign: report of the Secretary-General.