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The Governing Council,

Welcoming General Assembly resolution 45/198 of 21 December 1990, by which the General Assembly requested the Committee for Development Planning to consider, at its twenty-seventh session, the question of the inclusion of Namibia in the list of least developed countries, and to report on its findings to the Economic and Social Council for consideration at its second regular session of 1991, and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session,

Recalling that by its resolution 45/198, the General Assembly decided to give Namibia special consideration in support of its economic and social development, in accordance with the resolution on economic assistance and least developed country status for Namibia, adopted at the Second United Nations Conference of the Least Developed Countries, held at Paris in September 1990,

Taking into consideration Namibia's urgent need for assistance in its efforts to reconstruct its fragile economy,

- 1. <u>Decides</u> to treat Namibia as if it were a least developed country, pending the appropriate decision by the General Assembly concerning the country's status;
- 2. Appeals to Member States and other organizations of the United Nations system to provide all possible assistance to the new nation of Namibia in its efforts to reconstruct and strengthen its fledgeling economic and social structures.

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