



THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GA6/I/1

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization Related to Economic Sanctions

SUBMITTED TO: The General Assembly

SUBMITTED BY: The Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee

1 *Affirms* the need for disciplinary measures which financially target the political leaders and infrastructure
2 of the state and not the civilians,

3 *Fully committed* to the goals of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

4 *Deeply concerned* with the plight of civilians in sanctioned nations and third states,

5 *Recognizing* the Security Council's jurisdiction regarding multilateral sanctions,

6 *Aware of* the need for member states to explore targeted sanctions multilaterally,

7 *Guided by* Articles 49 and 50 of the United Nations Charter, which outline the duties of member states to
8 adhere to Security Council decisions and which require the consideration of the effects of sanctions on
9 other member nations,

10 *Affirming* that sanctions be implemented, so that the most effective, yet reasonable, types of sanctions are
11 applied first, as determined by the Security Council,

12 *Declaring* a third state to be one which encounters "special economic problems arising from the carrying
13 out of preventative or enforcement measures taken by the Security Council against other States" as
14 currently defined in A/RES/55/157,

15 *Reaffirming* the commitment of all Member States to protect the human rights of the citizens of States
16 placed with economic sanctions,

17 *Believing* that the targeted problems can be resolved,

18 1. *Stresses* the need for implementation of focused action on targeted governments through targeted
19 sanctions;

- 20 2. *Strongly encourages* the need for a change in the basic theory behind economic sanctions and for
21 the Security Council to replace the current definition and implementation with targeted sanctions
22 to evaluate their validity before their imposition by measuring sanctions with emphasis on these
23 six basic qualifications:
- 24 a. Sanctions imposed with specific goals and only after all diplomatic avenues have been
25 exhausted;
- 26 b. Sanction targets proper party;
- 27 c. Sanctions should not target civilians or humanitarian resources as defined by the Security
28 Council;
- 29 d. Sanctions will be regularly reviewed, on at least an annual basis, in regards to their social,
30 economic and political impact;
- 31 e. Sanction reviews will be used to determine the validity of the continued use and effective
32 modification of Security Council imposed sanctions;
- 33 f. Sanctions will be averted when the targeted country complies with the stated goals as
34 determined by the Security Council;
- 35 3. *Expresses* its hope that the Security Council will continue to fully evaluate the negative possible
36 social, political and economic effects of sanctions on third states before they are imposed;
- 37 4. *Requests* that the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights continue working to
38 ensure human rights among civilians in sanctioned and affected third party nations;
- 39 5. *Expresses* its hope that the Security Council will design sanctions so that they will affect the
40 political leaders and infrastructure of the targeted nation, rather than civilian populations;
- 41 6. *Strongly urges* United Nations Member States to pledge to encourage trade and increase foreign
42 investment in third states as a way to alleviate some of the effects of economic sanctions;
- 43 7. *Requests* that the Security Council's Open Forum option be expanded to include a more
44 comprehensive opinion, including the consultation of experts on the effects of sanctions on third
45 states, including Non-Governmental Organizations;
- 46 8. *Further urges an* increase in humanitarian relief to targeted states.

Final Vote: 55 In Favor / 12 Opposed / 16 Abstentions