Having considered the application for membership of the Slovak Republic.

Decides to admit the Slovak Republic to membership in the United Nations.

95th plenary meeting
19 January 1993

47/225. Admission of the State whose application is contained in document A/47/876-S/25147 to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received the recommendation of the Security Council of 7 April 1993 that the State whose application is contained in document A/47/876-S/25147 should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,

Having considered the application for membership contained in document A/47/876-S/25147,

Decides to admit the State whose application is contained in document A/47/876-S/25147 to membership in the United Nations, this State being provisionally referred to for all purposes within the United Nations as "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" pending settlement of the difference that has arisen over the name of the State.

98th plenary meeting
8 April 1993

47/228. Emergency assistance to Cuba

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned about the extensive damage and devastation in Cuba caused by the very severe storm that affected that country on 12 and 13 March 1993,

Noting with concern the loss of life, the destruction of thousands of dwellings and the severe damage to major sectors of the national infrastructure,

Acknowledging the efforts of the Government and the people of Cuba to provide relief and emergency assistance to the people affected by the storm,

Noting that the continuing efforts of the Government of Cuba to promote economic growth and development will be hampered by this calamity,

1. Declares its solidarity with the Government and the people of Cuba in this hour of trial;
2. Notes with appreciation the efforts of the Government of Cuba to provide speedy relief to the storm victims from national resources;
3. Commends the efforts of the international community to supplement the relief operations and emergency assistance provided by the Government of Cuba;
4. Calls upon the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the relevant organs and organizations of the United Nations system and in close collaboration with the Government authorities, to assist in the rehabilitation efforts of the Government and the people of Cuba;
5. Requests all States and international organizations and other intergovernmental agencies to extend emergency support to Cuba for the duration of the emergency and the ensuing rehabilitation process to alleviate the plight of the afflicted people of Cuba, including their economic and financial burden.

99th plenary meeting
15 April 1993


The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 47/1 of 22 September 1992,

Having received the recommendation made by the Security Council in its resolution 821 (1993) of 28 April 1993 that, further to the decisions taken in resolution 47/1, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) shall not participate in the work of the Economic and Social Council,

1. Decides that the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) shall not participate in the work of the Economic and Social Council;
2. Takes note of the intention of the Security Council to consider the matter again before the end of the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

101st plenary meeting
29 April 1993

47/230. Admission of Eritrea to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received the recommendation of the Security Council of 26 May 1993 that Eritrea should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,

Having considered the application for membership of Eritrea,

Decides to admit Eritrea to membership in the United Nations.

104th plenary meeting
28 May 1993

47/231. Admission of the Principality of Monaco to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received the recommendation of the Security Council of 26 May 1993 that the Principality of Monaco should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,

Having considered the application for membership of the Principality of Monaco,

Decides to admit the Principality of Monaco to membership in the United Nations.

104th plenary meeting
28 May 1993

47/232. Admission of the Principality of Andorra to membership in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Having received the recommendation of the Security Council of 8 July 1993 that the Principality of Andorra should be admitted to membership in the United Nations,
Having considered the application for membership of the Principality of Andorra,22
Decides to admit the Principality of Andorra to membership in the United Nations.

108th plenary meeting
28 July 1993

47/233. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,
Conscious of the increasingly important role of the United Nations in fulfilling the purposes set forth in Article 1 of the Charter of the United Nations,
Recalling that the Organization is based on the principle of the sovereign equality of all its Members,
Recognizing in this regard that the General Assembly is the only principal organ of the United Nations consisting of all the Members of the United Nations in which each Member State has equal opportunity to participate in the decision-making process,
Emphasizing the importance of the functions and powers of the General Assembly in any questions or any matters within the scope of the Charter, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter,
Desiring to undertake efforts to enhance the capacity of the General Assembly to fulfill the role envisaged for it under the Charter and increase its effectiveness in the interest of strengthening the overall work of the Organization,
Underlining that the revitalization of the General Assembly should be addressed in a comprehensive manner,
Recognizing in this regard the need, as a first step, to rationalize the Committee structure of the General Assembly to respond better to the requirements of the new phase of international relations,
Recognizing also the importance of the reports of the Security Council and other principal organs of the United Nations to the General Assembly and of their substantive and in-depth consideration by the Assembly,
1. Decides that the Main Committees of the General Assembly shall be as follows:
   (a) Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee);
   (b) Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee);
   (c) Economic and Financial Committee (Second Committee);
   (d) Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (Third Committee);
   (e) Administrative and Budgetary Committee (Fifth Committee);
   (f) Legal Committee (Sixth Committee);
2. Also decides to amend the rules of procedure of the General Assembly as set forth in the annex to the present resolution;
3. Further decides that, as an interim measure and pending a decision on the pattern of election of the six Chairmen of the Main Committees, the six Chairmen of the Main Committees at the forty-eighth session shall be elected as follows:
   Two representatives from African States;
   One representative from an Asian State;
   One representative from an Eastern European State;
   One representative from a Latin American or Caribbean State;
   One representative from a Western European or other State;
4. Recommends that, pending further consideration of the revitalization process, the agenda items at present allocated to the Special Political Committee and to the Fourth Committee be allocated at the forty-eighth session to the new Special Political and Decolonization Committee;
5. Encourages Member States to participate actively in a substantive and in-depth discussion on, and consideration of, the reports of the Security Council and other principal organs of the United Nations, in order to fulfill the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations;
6. Decides to continue consideration of the revitalization process of the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session in a comprehensive manner in an informal open-ended working group, which will make proposals as appropriate on questions relating to, inter alia, the rationalization of the agenda, the reports of the other principal organs of the United Nations in accordance with the Charter and the reports requested of the Secretary-General;
7. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-eighth session the item entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”.

109th plenary meeting
17 August 1993

ANNEX

Rule 31 shall read as follows:
“The General Assembly shall elect a President and twenty-one Vice-Presidents, who shall hold office until the close of the session at which they are elected. The Vice-Presidents shall be elected, after the election of the Chairmen of the six Main Committees referred to in rule 98, in such a way as to ensure the representative character of the General Committee.”

The first sentence of rule 38 shall read as follows:
“The General Committee shall comprise the President of the General Assembly, who shall preside, the twenty-one Vice-Presidents and the Chairmen of the six Main Committees.”

Rule 98 is amended according to paragraph 1 of the present resolution.

47/237. International Year of the Family

The General Assembly,
Reaffirming its resolutions 44/82 of 8 December 1989, 45/133 of 14 December 1990 and 46/92 of 16 December 1991 concerning the International Year of the Family, as expressions of the determination of the peoples of the United Nations to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,
Recalling that major United Nations instruments on human rights and social policy, as well as relevant global