Council in its resolution 365 (1974) of 13 December 1974, as the valid framework for the solution of the problem of Cyprus;

2. Reiterates its call upon all States to respect the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus and to cease any form of interference in its internal affairs;

3. Calls for the urgent resumption in a meaningful and constructive manner of the negotiations between the representatives of the two communities, to be conducted freely on an equal footing on the basis of comprehensive and concrete proposals of the parties concerned with a view to reaching as early as possible a mutually acceptable agreement based on their fundamental and legitimate rights;

4. Demands that the parties concerned refrain from any unilateral actions which might adversely affect the prospects of a just and lasting solution of the problem of Cyprus by peaceful means;

5. Recommends that the Security Council should keep the question of Cyprus under constant review and adopt all practical means to promote the effective implementation of its relevant resolutions in all their aspects;

6. Calls upon the parties concerned to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the performance of his tasks under the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and of the Security Council as well as with the United Nations Peace-keeping Force in Cyprus;

7. Decides to include the item entitled "Question of Cyprus" in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session and requests the Secretary-General to follow up the implementation of the present resolution and report thereon to the General Assembly at that session.

66th plenary meeting
11 November 1977

32/18. Restitution of works of art to countries victims of expropriation

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3026 A (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 3148 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 3187 (XXVIII) of 18 December 1973, 3391 (XXX) of 19 November 1975 and 31/40 of 30 November 1976,

Taking note of resolutions 17 and 24 adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 August 1976,22

Convinced that the promotion of national culture enhances a people's ability to understand the culture and civilization of other peoples and thus has a most favourable impact on international co-operation,

Convinced also that the protection by all means of national culture and heritage is an integral part of the process of preservation and future development of cultural values,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General,23


2. Calls upon all Member States to take all necessary steps to prevent, on their territories, any illicit traffic in works of art coming from any other country, especially from territories which were or are under colonial or foreign domination and occupation;

3. Affirms that the restitution to a country of its objets d'art, monuments, museum pieces, manuscripts, documents and any other cultural or artistic treasures constitutes a step forward towards the strengthening of international co-operation and the preservation and future development of cultural values;

4. Decides to remain seized of the question and to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session the item entitled "Restitution of works of art to countries victims of expropriation", in order to review the progress achieved and, in particular, the action taken in this regard by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

64th plenary meeting
9 November 1977


The General Assembly,

Recalling all its previous resolutions on co-operation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity, including in particular resolution 31/13 of 16 November 1976,

Taking note of the relevant resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its fourteenth ordinary session, held at Libreville from 2 to 5 July 1977,25

Taking into account the statement made by the current Chairman of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at the 34th plenary meeting of the General Assembly on 14 October 1977,26

Commending the important role which the Organization of African Unity continues to play in helping to achieve the objectives of the United Nations in the world in general and on the African continent in particular,

Noting with satisfaction the initiatives which the Organization of African Unity has taken with a view to promoting multilateral co-operation among African States and the efforts exerted to further, with the collaboration of the United Nations, social and economic development in Africa,

Noting with satisfaction the continued efforts of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations bodies concerned, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to help

22 See A/31/197, annex IV.
23 A/32/203.
25 See A/32/310.