

The Committee took note of recent indications of significant changes in South Africa's terms of trade and trading patterns. It will undertake a thorough examination of these trade questions. It will also separately develop ways of promoting trade and investment in the Front-Line and neighbouring states as a means to increase their economic independence of South Africa.

While the programme of agreed studies is proceeding, the Committee will pursue all appropriate action for mobilising international support for sanctions with a view to securing a more concerted application of a global sanctions programme.

The Committee paid special attention to the existing mandatory arms embargo and recognised the need for specific action at both the national and international levels to secure their more effective enforcement of the embargo. The Committee will devote particular attention to this matter and pursue it as an issue of urgency.

(ii) South Africa and its neighbours

The Committee gave particular attention to the enlarging needs of the Front-Line States deriving from South Africa's policies of destabilization in the region. They paid particular attention to the effect of these policies on Mozambique and to current South African aggression in Angola. They welcomed the increased assistance to the region's development by the Africa Fund as agreed at the recent SADCC Ministerial Meeting in Arusha but recognised, as Heads of Government had done in Vancouver, that if the region's development is to be effective the international community must also address the security needs of the Front-Line States. They examined ways in which this might be achieved on an urgent and effective basis and set in hand a process of consultation with the governments concerned towards this end.

The Committee welcomed the progress that had been made for the establishment of the Commonwealth Special Fund for Technical Assistance to Mozambique.

(iii) Reaching into South Africa

The Committee held preliminary discussions with representatives of the South African Council of Churches, the African National Congress (ANC), the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC), the South West African People's Organisation (SWAPO) and the Anti-Apartheid Movement.