

sumer countries to do their utmost through consultations to resolve a number of outstanding problems in order to permit a resumption of the 1966 Cocoa Conference, with a view to concluding an international commodity agreement on cocoa.

Principles of Friendly Relations

The Sixth Committee discussed, from November 1 to November 29, the question of the Principles of Friendly Relations. The Committee had before it the report of the 1966 Special Committee on Principles of International Law Concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation Among States and the report by the Secretary-General on methods of fact-finding.

In 1962, the General Assembly enumerated seven principles of international law concerning friendly relations — principles such as refraining from the threat or use of force in international relations, peaceful settlement of disputes, non-intervention in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of any state, the sovereign equality of states, the necessity of co-operation and the fulfilment of the Charter obligations on legal rights and self-determination of peoples.

The Sixth Committee then undertook to study these principles with a view to their progressive development and codification so as to secure their more effective application.

A resolution, sponsored by 33 states including Canada, was adopted in plenary by a vote of 85 in favour to none against, with 2 abstentions. This resolution decides to ask the Special Committee on Principles of International Law to complete the task of formulating the principles dealing with refraining from the threat or use of force, the duty of states to co-operate with one another in accordance with the Charter, equal rights and self-determination of peoples and the requirement that states should fulfil in good faith the obligations assumed by them in accordance with the Charter. The resolution also requests the Special Committee to consider proposals on the principle concerning the duty not to intervene in matters within the domestic jurisdiction of any state, to consider the possibility of widening the areas of agreement already formulated, and to submit a report to the twenty-second session of the Assembly in 1967.