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394 (V). Palestine: Progress report of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine; Repatriation or resettlement of Palestine refugees and payment of compensation due to them

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 194 (III) of 11 December 1948,

Having examined with appreciation the general progress report dated 2 September 1950, and the supplementary report dated 23 October 1950, of the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine,

Noting with concern:

- (a) That agreement has not been reached between the parties on the final settlement of the questions outstanding between them,
- (b) That the repatriation, resettlement, economic and social rehabilitation of the refugees and the payment of compensation have not been effected,

Recognizing that, in the interests of the peace and stability of the Near East, the refugee question should be dealt with as a matter of urgency,

- 1. Urges the governments and authorities concerned to seek agreement by negotiations conducted either with the Conciliation Commission or directly, with a view to the final settlement of all questions outstanding between them;
- 2. Directs the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine to establish an office which, under the direction of the Commission, shall:
- (a) Make such arrangements as it may consider necessary for the assessment and payment of compensation in pursuance of paragraph 11 of General Assembly resolution 194 (III);
- (b) Work out such arrangements as may be practicable for the implementation of the other objectives of paragraph 11 of the said resolution;
- (c) Continue consultations with the parties concerned regarding measures for the protection of the rights, property and interests of the refugees;
- 3. Calls upon the governments concerned to undertake measures to ensure that refugees, whether repatriated or resettled, will be treated without any discrimination either in law or in fact.