

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2131 (XX) OF 21 DECEMBER 1965  
DECLARATION ON THE INADMISSIBILITY OF INTERVENTION IN THE  
DOMESTIC AFFAIRS OF STATES AND THE PROTECTION OF THEIR  
INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY**

On 24 September 1965, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics requested by letter to the President of the General Assembly that the item entitled “The inadmissibility of intervention in the domestic affairs of States and the protection of their independence and sovereignty” be included in the provisional agenda of the twentieth session of the General Assembly (A/5977). On 28 September 1965, the General Assembly included the item on the agenda of its twentieth session and allocated the matter to its First Committee (A/PV.1340).

At the twentieth session of the General Assembly, on 3 December 1965, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics submitted a draft resolution (A/C.1/L.343/Rev.1) to the First Committee entitled “Draft declaration on the inadmissibility of intervention in the domestic affairs of States and the protection of their independence and sovereignty” which formed the basis of a considerable debate in the Committee. During the debate on the matter in the First Committee, various Member States introduced amendments to this draft resolution as well as separate draft resolutions (see A/C.1/L.350 and Corr.1; A/C.1/L.351; A/C.1/L.352; A/C.1/L.353; A/C.1/L.353/Rev.4 and Add.1; A/C.1/L.349; A/C.1/L.349/Rev.1 and Add.1; A/C.1/L.354; A/C.1/L.349/Rev.2). On 18 December 1965, Peru and Mali submitted a joint draft resolution on behalf of fifty-seven Member States to the First Committee (A/C.1/L.364 and Add.1) which, following some debate (A/C.1/20PV.1395-1406, 1420 and 1422-1423), was adopted by the Committee two days later. In its report to the General Assembly (A/6220), the First Committee accordingly recommended that the General Assembly adopt its proposal. On 21 December 1965, the General Assembly thus adopted, by a roll-call vote of 109 to none, with 1 abstention, resolution 2131 (XX) to this effect.