

RESOLUTION A.547(13)

*Adopted on 17 November 1983
Agenda item 17*

HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES AND ACCOMMODATION

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING resolution A.308(VIII) of November 1973 whereby the Secretary-General was requested to study the question of the provision of new Headquarters facilities and accommodation,

RECALLING ALSO resolution A.402(X) in which it was noted that the United Kingdom Government had decided to construct a new Headquarters building for the Organization,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution A.506(XII) in which it was noted that several Member States had offered a financial gift credit facility or loans to assist in meeting installation expenditure for the building,

NOTING that the new Headquarters premises were successfully completed and handed over by the United Kingdom Government for occupation by the International Maritime Organization on 30 October 1982,

NOTING ALSO that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II most graciously opened the new premises at a ceremony on 17 May 1983,

CONSIDERING that the premises are both functional and dignified and entirely appropriate to IMO's status as a specialized agency of the United Nations with important global responsibilities,

1. EXTENDS its deepest appreciation to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for undertaking the official opening ceremony of the new Headquarters premises;
2. EXPRESSES its most grateful thanks to the Government of the United Kingdom for the unceasing support and high priority which it accorded to the new Headquarters building and for the successful completion of the project;
3. RECORDS its grateful appreciation for the financial gift credit facility and loans for installation of furniture and equipment as well as the many fine gifts of works of art presented by Member States for the premises;
4. FURTHER RECORDS its profound gratitude to the Council and to the Ad Hoc Working Group on Headquarters Facilities and Accommodation for their most valuable assistance throughout the period of the project;
5. EXPRESSES its sincerest thanks to the Secretary-General in recognition of his total dedication to this most important project from its inception and of his untiring efforts to achieve such a highly satisfactory outcome.