

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to convene as early as possible in 1973, under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, a conference of plenipotentiaries to consider and adopt a convention or any other multilateral legally binding instrument on a code of conduct for liner conferences;

2. *Decides* to establish, also under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, a Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on a Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences, consisting of forty-eight members to be appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development<sup>84</sup> with the same distribution between the different regional areas as was established for the fourth session of the Working Group on International Shipping Legislation, with the addition of two members from each regional area;

3. *Also decides* that the Preparatory Committee shall prepare the draft of a convention or any other multilateral legally binding instrument on a code of conduct for liner conferences for submission to the conference of plenipotentiaries referred to in paragraph 1 above;

4. *Decides further* that the first session of the Preparatory Committee should be convened as early as possible and that the final session should be held at least two months before the conference of plenipotentiaries;

5. *Recommends* that the Preparatory Committee should take into consideration, as a basis for its work:

(a) The draft code of conduct for liner conferences annexed to resolution 66 (III) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

(b) The report of the debates on this subject by the Fourth Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its third session,<sup>85</sup> including an informal exchange of views on the draft code of conduct for liner conferences and a summing-up by the Chairman of that Committee;

(c) The report of the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development entitled *Regulation of Liner Conferences*;<sup>86</sup>

(d) The report of the Working Group on International Shipping Legislation on its third session.<sup>87</sup>

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<sup>84</sup> The Preparatory Committee will be composed of the following States: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Madagascar, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

<sup>85</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex VI.D.

<sup>86</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.72.II.D.13 and Corr.1.

<sup>87</sup> TD/B/C.4/93.

### 3036 (XXVII). Special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its third session<sup>88</sup> and the report of the Trade and Development Board for the period from 22 September 1971 to 25 October 1972,<sup>89</sup>

*Bearing in mind* the joint statement by eight socialist countries at the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly concerning the Second United Nations Development Decade and social progress<sup>90</sup> and their declaration at the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>91</sup>

*Conscious* that the production capacity and trade flows of the least developed among the developing countries have been and continue to be extremely low, and that it is urgent for the commercial policy measures which are applied to all developing countries to be supplemented by liberal and considerably larger contributions of financial and technical assistance for the least developed countries, in order to eliminate the existing bottle-neck in their economy at the production level,

*Recognizing* that the relevant provisions of resolution 62 (III) of 19 May 1972 adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development<sup>92</sup> and of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade<sup>93</sup> must be applied in practice as soon as possible,

1. *Endorses* resolution 62 (III) unanimously adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its third session;

2. *Requests* the specialized agencies concerned and other United Nations bodies, as well as the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut, to initiate and accelerate the implementation of their action programmes in favour of the least developed countries in the areas within their competence and to submit periodic reports on the matter to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Also requests* all States members of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, especially developed countries, to implement urgently the special measures in favour of the least developed countries contained in Conference resolution 62 (III) and to continue to review the measures they have taken in favour of these countries, as well as ways and means of carrying out those measures, and to provide information to the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on actions taken in connexion with the consideration and implementation of the recommendations of the Conference,

<sup>88</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4).

<sup>89</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/8715/Rev.1)*.

<sup>90</sup> *Ibid.*, *Twenty-fifth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 42, document A/8074.

<sup>91</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex VIII.G.

<sup>92</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>93</sup> Resolution 2626 (XXV).

to enable him to submit periodic reports to the Trade and Development Board.

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### 3037 (XXVII). Charter of the economic rights and duties of States

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its third session,<sup>94</sup>

*Decides* to enlarge the composition of the Working Group on the Charter of the Economic Rights and Duties of States established under resolution 45 (III) of 18 May 1972 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>95</sup> and authorizes the Secretary-General of the Conference to appoint nine additional members, in consultation with Governments of member States.

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### 3038 (XXVII). Dissemination of information and mobilization of public opinion regarding problems of trade and development

*The General Assembly,*

*Bearing in mind* paragraph 84 of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,<sup>96</sup> relating to the mobilization of public opinion,

*Recalling* its resolution 2800 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971, regarding the dissemination of information and the mobilization of public opinion relative to the review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy,

*Noting with satisfaction* resolution 43 (III) of 17 May 1972,<sup>97</sup> in which the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development proposed a series of specific measures for the dissemination of information and the mobilization of public opinion relative to problems of trade and development,

*Noting also* agreed conclusion 89 (XII) of 20 October 1972,<sup>98</sup> adopted on the subject by the Trade and Development Board at the first part of its twelfth session,

*Convinced* that improvement in the dissemination of information and the mobilization of public opinion, particularly among young people, would be an important factor for greater awareness of the general problems of development and would thus promote the increased efforts required in the sphere of interna-

tional co-operation for development and the success of the International Development Strategy,

1. *Decides* to institute a World Development Information Day with the object of drawing the attention of world public opinion each year to development problems and the necessity of strengthening international co-operation to solve them;

2. *Further decides* that the date for this day shall coincide in principle with United Nations Day, 24 October, which is also the date on which the International Development Strategy for the Second Nations Development Decade was adopted in 1970;

3. *Invites* the Trade and Development Board to study at its fifth special session, devoted to the review and appraisal of the Second United Nations Development Decade, the preliminary report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations,<sup>99</sup> as well as the interim report requested of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in agreed conclusion 89 (XII);

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to prepare, for the fifth special session of the Trade and Development Board, a detailed report elaborating the elements outlined in his preliminary report;

5. *Further invites* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to indicate in the detailed report mentioned in paragraph 4 above what measures he is considering, in accordance with paragraph 5 of resolution 43 (III) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to strengthen the information services of the Conference and to regroup them, in close liaison with the Office of Public Information, in particular the Centre for Economic and Social Information and other United Nations information sources, in an information unit responsible for giving wider publicity to the debates and decisions of the Conference concerning problems of trade and development and to the objectives of the International Development Strategy of concern to the Conference;

6. *Requests* the Trade and Development Board at its fifth special session to outline a programme of events for World Development Information Day in 1973 and to make specific proposals to that end;

7. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-fifth session, taking into consideration the report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifth special session, to draw up a programme of events for World Development Information Day in 1973.

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### 3039 (XXVII). External debt servicing by the developing countries

*The General Assembly,*

*Mindful* of the purposes set forth in Article 55 of the Charter of the United Nations, which specifies that the United Nations should promote higher standards of living, full employment, and conditions of economic and social progress and development,

*Recalling* its resolutions 2170 (XXI) of 6 December 1966, 2415 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 and 2807 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971 concerning the need

<sup>94</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4).

<sup>95</sup> *Ibid.*, annex I.A.

<sup>96</sup> Resolution 2626 (XXV).

<sup>97</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex I.A.

<sup>98</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/8715/Rev.1), part one, annex I.*

<sup>99</sup> A/8893.