

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the decisions of the Consultative Committee on the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women during its third¹³² and fourth¹³³ sessions;

2. *Also notes with satisfaction* the progress of the regional commissions in the formulation and execution of projects in the fields of national development, planning, rural development, training of trainers, appropriate technologies, small-scale business and industries, and technical co-operation among developing countries, including research and information services;

3. *Requests* the regional commissions concerned to proceed to the recruitment of the second women's programme officer as recommended by the Consultative Committee at its fourth session;¹³⁴

4. *Urges* the regional commissions to increase the numbers of women employed in policy-making positions within their secretariats;

5. *Expresses its appreciation* to the relevant organizations and organs within the United Nations system for their co-operation at the national and regional levels in formulating and executing projects sponsored by the Fund;

6. *Expresses its appreciation* to those countries which have already contributed, to those which have pledged contributions and to those which have expressed their intention of contributing to the Fund;

7. *Appeals* to Member States to consider giving support to the Fund in order to assure availability of adequate resources for the long-term planning of its activities;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue to report annually on the management of the Fund as well as on the progress in implementation of Fund activities;

(b) To continue to include the Fund, on an annual basis, as one of the programmes of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities.

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33/189. World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3520 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, in which it decided to convene a world conference in 1980, at the mid-term of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 2062 (LXII) of 12 May 1977, in which the Council decided to establish a preparatory committee to make recommendations concerning the substantive and organizational arrangements for the Conference,

Recalling further all the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations on substantive and administrative aspects of the preparatory work for the Conference,

1. *Decides* that the provisional agenda for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace shall be as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2. *Further decides* on the following organization of work for the Conference:

(a) Thirteen working days shall be allocated for the Conference;

(b) In addition to the plenary, there shall be two main committees, for which interpretation shall be provided in six languages;

(c) The general debate, to be held in plenary, shall be limited to fifteen minutes per speaker;

(d) The number of working groups required shall be decided upon by the Conference, on the understanding that one working group will be provided with interpretation;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that the documentation for the Conference will be made available and distributed six weeks before the Conference is convened, in accordance with United Nations practice;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, in preparing the substantive documentation for the Conference, to make use, as necessary, of the expertise of consultants;

5. *Recommends* to the executive heads of the specialized agencies concerned and other relevant parts of the United Nations system to prepare in a co-ordinated manner reports evaluating progress in substantive areas relating to the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that due account is taken of the recommendations on the rationalization of methods in the preparation of the questionnaire on the implementation of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year,¹³⁵ in compliance with Economic and Social Council resolution 2060 (LXII) of 12 May 1977, and of the findings and conclusions emanating from all preparatory work for the Conference;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that the Conference will have at its disposal the documentation referred to in his note of 2 March 1978 on the preparatory work for the Conference¹³⁶ as well as in the relevant resolutions of the United Nations;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite:

(a) All States to participate in the Conference;

(b) Representatives of organizations that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under its auspices in the capacity of observers to participate in

¹³² A/33/198, sect. II.

¹³³ A/33/198/Add.2 and Corr.1, sect. II.

¹³⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 8.

¹³⁵ *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Mexico, 19 June-2 July 1975* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A.

¹³⁶ E/CN.6/610.

the Conference in that capacity in accordance with Assembly resolution 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974;

(c) Representatives of the national liberation movements recognized in its region by the Organization of African Unity to participate in the Conference in the capacity of observers in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3280 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974;

(d) The United Nations Council for Namibia to participate in the Conference in its capacity as the Administering Authority for Namibia;

(e) The specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as interested organs of the United Nations, to be represented at the Conference;

(f) Interested intergovernmental organizations to be represented by observers at the Conference;

(g) Interested non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to be represented by observers at the Conference who will have the right to submit written statements, in which connexion the Secretary-General of the Conference will provide a list of the non-governmental organizations which may address the Conference, for approval by the Preparatory Committee at its second session, on the understanding that the number will be limited and the duration of the speeches will be in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To appoint as soon as possible a Secretary-General of the Conference, at the level of Assistant Secretary-General;

(b) To appoint the Secretary-General from outside the United Nations system and from a developing country;

(c) To ensure that the secretariat of the Conference, which shall be located at United Nations Headquarters, will be composed of a full-time Secretary-General, as well as the appropriate members of the Advancement of Women Branch of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat and the necessary additional staff for the preparation of the Conference, the secretariat to work in close co-operation with the Centre as a whole, which is the focal point of the activities of the Decade;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to prepare draft rules of procedure for the Conference for submission to the Preparatory Committee at its second session, on the basis of the standard rules of procedure for United Nations conferences, taking into account the procedure adopted by the World Conference of the International Women's Year, held at Mexico City from 19 June to 2 July 1975, with respect to the composition of the Bureau;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite the regional commissions to convene as early as possible in 1979 preparatory meetings and seminars in support of the aims and objectives of the Conference;

12. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to invite the specialized agencies and other relevant parts of the United Nations system to convene sectoral meetings, as appropriate, and to participate actively in the preparation of the regional meetings;

13. *Invites* the regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to contribute to the preparations for the regional meetings and to participate in those meetings wherever possible;

14. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and subject to the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, to enter into commitments which, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/93 of 14 December 1976, it has determined are of a pressing and unforeseeable nature, arising out of extraordinary expenses for the Conference resulting from the decisions in paragraphs 2 to 8 above and based on preliminary estimates appearing in annex IV of the report of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference;¹³⁷

15. *Decides* that adequate financial resources shall be made available to ensure the successful preparation of the Conference for the last part of the biennium 1978-1979 and for the first part of the biennium 1980-1981 in order to provide necessary resources as soon as possible.

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ANNEX

Provisional agenda for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace

1. Opening of the Conference.
2. Election of the President and members of the Bureau of the Conference.
3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.
4. Adoption of the agenda.
5. Establishment of main committees and organization of work.
6. Credentials of representatives to the Conference:
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
7. Effects of *apartheid* on women in southern Africa:
 - (a) Review of the situation;
 - (b) Special measures for assistance to women in southern Africa.
8. Review and evaluation of the progress made and obstacles encountered in attaining the objectives of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, at the national, regional and international levels, from 1975 to 1980, in keeping with the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year:
 - (a) Review and evaluation of progress made and obstacles encountered at the national level in attaining the minimum objectives set forth in paragraph 46 of the World Plan of Action;
 - (b) Review and evaluation of regional and global programmes of the United Nations system of organizations aimed at promoting the objectives of the Decade.
9. Programme of Action for the second half of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, 1981-1985, designed to implement the World Plan of Action:

¹³⁷ A/CONF.94/PC/4.

(a) National targets and strategies for women's integration and participation in economic and social development with special emphasis on the subtheme "Employment, Health and Education":

- (i) Planning and monitoring;
- (ii) National machineries;

(b) Regional and international targets and strategies, taking into account the subtheme "Employment, Health and Education".

10. Adoption of the report of the Conference.

33/190. Preparations for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling paragraph 5 of its resolution 31/194 of 22 December 1976,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Work of the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women during its first session",¹³⁸

Conscious of the need to prepare fully for the Conference,

Requests the Secretary-General, in proceeding with the arrangements for the preparation of the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, to bear in mind paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 31/194 and to so implement the move decided upon in that resolution as to ensure the necessary preparations for the Conference and the effective participation of the Advancement of Women Branch of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat.

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33/191. Venue of the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3520 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, in paragraph 20 of which it decided to convene at the mid-term of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace a world conference to review and evaluate the progress made in implementing the objectives of the International Women's Year as recommended by the World Conference of the International Women's Year and, where necessary, to readjust existing programmes in the light of new data and research available,

Noting with appreciation that the Government of Denmark has offered to act as host for the Conference,¹³⁹

Noting also with appreciation the offer of the Government of Costa Rica to act as host to the Conference,¹⁴⁰

Decides, after being informed of the friendly and cordial understanding between the two countries offering to act as host to the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace:

(a) To accept, with thanks, the offer of the Government of Denmark to act as host to the Conference;

(b) To hold the Conference in Copenhagen in 1980.

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¹³⁸ A/33/339 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

¹³⁹ A/C.3/33/5.

¹⁴⁰ A/C.3/33/4.