

(a) Steps being considered to improve the process and effectiveness of round-table meetings in the light of the experience gained in the mid-term global review of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries,¹⁷⁶ in close collaboration with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme;

(b) The prevailing situation in various organizations and programmes of the United Nations system with regard to tied contributions in the light of paragraph 8 of resolution 38/171 and the outcome of discussions on this issue by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

(c) Data on procurement undertaken by organizations of the United Nations system engaged in operational activities;

(d) Further data on and analysis of the relationship between programme delivery and administrative and support costs of those organizations;

(e) Information on specific action taken in response to paragraph 8 of the present resolution.

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39/221. United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, by which it approved the statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries, and its subsequent resolutions on the Fund, including resolution 38/174 of 19 December 1983,

Taking note of resolution 137 (VI) of 2 July 1983 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development¹⁷⁷ and decision 83/28 of 24 June 1983 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,¹⁷⁸

Recalling the relevant provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,¹⁷⁹

Also recalling the relevant paragraphs of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries,¹⁷⁶

Convinced that access to world markets at the least possible cost is an integral part of the meaningful economic development of land-locked developing countries,

Expressing deep concern at the very low level of contributions that have been consistently pledged to the Fund since its establishment,

Noting that the demands for assistance from the Fund are additional to, and generally different from, the types of activities financed from other sources in the United Nations system,

1. Expresses concern at the lack of implementation of its resolutions on the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries;

2. Renews its appeal for adequate resources to be provided to the Fund;

¹⁷⁶ Report of the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 1-14 September 1981 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.82.I.8), part one, sect. A.

¹⁷⁷ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Sixth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.II.D.6), part one, sect. A.

¹⁷⁸ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1983, Supplement No. 9 (E/1983/20), annex I.

¹⁷⁹ Resolution 35/56, annex, paras. 152-155.

3. Urges the international community to give full consideration to the special constraints facing the land-locked developing countries in their economic and social development;

4. Requests the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the executive heads of the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to continue to pursue action in favour of the land-locked developing countries within the framework of the interim arrangements, bearing in mind that each country concerned should receive appropriate technical and financial assistance.

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39/222. United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/175 of 19 December 1983,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council decision 1984/171 of 25 July 1984,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at Rome from 24 April to 4 May 1984,¹⁸⁰ and having noted in particular in this context the Board's discussions on achieving the child survival and child development revolution¹⁸¹ and on the present emergency situation in Africa,¹⁸²

Reaffirming the principles and guidelines for programme activities established by the Executive Board in its efforts to reach the most disadvantaged in order to bring about a major improvement in child survival and child development, taking special advantage of developments in primary health care techniques and communications,

Noting the recommendations of the International Conference on Population, 1984 and the Mexico Declaration on Population and Development,¹⁸³ which stated, *inter alia*, that those developments have the potential to achieve a virtual revolution in child survival,¹⁸⁴

Acutely aware that the present global situation adversely affects vulnerable groups, such as children, and therefore makes the need for those efforts all the more critical,

1. Commends the policies and activities of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its 1984 session;¹⁸⁰

3. Urges the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, within the context of the basic services and primary health care approach for children in the delivery of programmes, to continue and intensify his efforts on the basis of recent developments in the social and biological sciences that present a new opportunity to bring about a virtual revolution in child survival and child development, at a low cost and in a relatively short time, in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Executive Board of the Fund and in co-operation with other relevant

¹⁸⁰ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1984, Supplement No. 9 (E/1984/19).

¹⁸¹ *Ibid.*, chap. II.

¹⁸² *Ibid.*, chap. III.

¹⁸³ See Report of the International Conference on Population, 1984, Mexico City, 6-14 August 1984 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.XIII.8 and corrigenda), chap. I.

¹⁸⁴ *Ibid.*, sect. B, para. 22, recommendation 19.

bodies and organizations, in particular the World Health Organization;

4. *Notes with satisfaction* the important efforts made by the Executive Director of the Fund to respond to the present critical emergency situation of children and mothers in Africa and urges him to continue his efforts in this respect, as well as to continue to implement child survival and child development activities generally in Africa in accordance with the decisions of the Executive Board of the Fund;

5. *Reaffirms* the goals of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade with reference to children, in particular the goals of ensuring children's immunization against major diseases by 1990 and of reducing the infant mortality rate to less than 50 per 1,000 live births in all countries by the year 2000,¹⁸⁵ and notes the crucial role of the child survival and child development revolution in meeting those goals;

6. *Reaffirms* the role of the Fund as the lead agency in the United Nations system responsible for co-ordinating the follow-up activities of the International Year of the Child related to the goals and objectives concerning children set forth in the International Development Strategy;¹⁸⁶

7. *Commends* the Executive Director of the Fund for his continuing efforts to enlarge the resources of the Fund so that it can respond effectively to the needs of the developing countries, in continued pursuance of its mandate;

8. *Expresses its appreciation* to Governments that have responded to the needs of the Fund and expresses the hope that more States will come forward with positive responses;

9. *Appeals* to all Governments to increase their contributions so that, in the light of the current economic situation, the Fund may be able to strengthen its co-operation with developing countries and respond to the urgent needs of children in those countries.

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39/223. Economic development projects in the occupied Palestinian territories

The General Assembly,

Aware of the Israeli restrictions imposed on the foreign trade of the occupied Palestinian territories,

Aware also of the imposed domination of the Palestinian market by Israel,

Taking into account the need to give Palestinian firms and products direct access to external markets without Israeli interference,

1. *Calls* for the urgent lifting of the Israeli restrictions imposed on the economy of the occupied Palestinian territories;

2. *Recognizes* the Palestinian interest in establishing a seaport in the occupied Gaza Strip to give Palestinian firms and products direct access to external markets;

3. *Calls upon* all concerned to facilitate the establishment of a seaport in the occupied Gaza Strip;

4. *Also calls upon* all concerned to facilitate the establishment of a cement plant in the occupied West Bank and a citrus plant in the occupied Gaza Strip;

¹⁸⁵ Resolution 35/56, annex, para. 48.

¹⁸⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 50.

¹⁸⁷ *Report of the International Conference on the Question of Palestine, Geneva, 29 August-7 September 1983* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.I.21), chap. I, sect. B.

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fortieth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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39/224. Assistance to the Palestinian people

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 38/145 of 19 December 1983,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1984/56 of 25 July 1984,

Recalling further the Programme of Action for the Achievement of Palestinian Rights, adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine,¹⁸⁷

Noting the need to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people;¹⁸⁸

2. *Takes note also* of the report of the Secretary-General¹⁸⁹ concerning the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people which was held at Geneva on 5 and 6 July 1984 in response to General Assembly resolution 38/145;

3. *Expresses its thanks* to the Secretary-General for convening the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people;

4. *Regards* such a meeting as a valuable opportunity to assess progress in economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people and to explore ways and means of enhancing such assistance;

5. *Draws the attention* of the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the need to disburse their aid to the occupied Palestinian territories only for the benefit of the Palestinian people and to ensure that it is not used in any manner to serve the interests of the Israeli occupation authorities;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To expedite the finalizing, through existing inter-agency mechanisms, of the co-ordinated programme of economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people requested in General Assembly resolution 38/145;

(b) To convene in 1985 a meeting of the relevant programmes, organizations, agencies, funds and organs of the United Nations system to consider the co-ordinated programme of economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people;

(c) To provide for the participation in the meeting of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the Arab host countries and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

7. *Requests* the relevant programmes, organizations, agencies, funds and organs of the United Nations system to intensify their efforts, in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people;

8. *Also requests* that United Nations assistance to the Palestinians in the Arab host countries should be rendered in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization and with the consent of the Arab host Government concerned;

¹⁸⁸ A/39/265-E/1984.77 and Add.1.

¹⁸⁹ A/39/474 and Corr.1.