

Declaration and of the purposes of the United Nations set forth in the Charter.

All youth organizations should conform to the principles set forth in this Declaration.

Principle VI

A major aim in educating the young shall be to develop all their faculties and to train them to acquire higher moral qualities, to be deeply attached to the noble ideals of peace, liberty, the dignity and equality of all men, and imbued with respect and love for humanity and its creative achievements. To this end the family has an important role to play.

Young people must become conscious of their responsibilities in the world they will be called upon to manage and should be inspired with confidence in a future of happiness for mankind.

*1390th plenary meeting,
7 December 1965.*

2038 (XX). Dedication of United Nations Day, 1966, to the cause of refugees

The General Assembly,

Considering the decision taken by a group of voluntary agencies to promote a fund-raising campaign from 24 to 31 October 1966, to benefit refugees mainly in Africa and Asia,

Considering the support given to this initiative by the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the wish expressed by that Committee¹³ that in 1966 United Nations Day, 24 October, be dedicated to the cause of refugees,

1. *Expresses its keen satisfaction* for the action thus undertaken, as well as for the attachment shown by its promoters to the ideals and objectives of the United Nations in choosing 24 October as the launching date for the campaign;

2. *Decides* that, in 1966, United Nations Day will be dedicated to the cause of refugees.

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2039 (XX). Reports of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees¹⁴ and having heard his statement,¹⁵

Noting the increasingly universal character of refugee problems,

Taking note of the difficulties encountered by the High Commissioner in obtaining the funds required to finance his programmes,

Considering that a greater effort could and should be made by the international community to provide the High Commissioner with the financial means required by the tasks incumbent upon him,

¹³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 11A (A/6011/Rev.1/Add.1), part Two, para. 25 (5) (d) and (e).*

¹⁴ *Ibid., Nineteenth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/5811/Rev.1) and Supplement No. 11A (A/5811/Rev.1/Add.1); ibid., Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/6011/Rev.1) and Supplement No. 11A (A/6011/Rev.1/Add.1).*

¹⁵ *Ibid., Twentieth Session, Third Committee, 1359th meeting.*

1. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to pursue his efforts with a view to ensuring an adequate international protection of refugees and to providing satisfactory permanent solutions to the problems affecting the various groups of refugees within his competence;

2. *Invites* States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies:

(a) To increase their support to the humanitarian action of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to continue to co-operate with the High Commissioner in this respect;

(b) To make available to the High Commissioner the financial means required to ensure the full implementation of his programmes.

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2040 (XX). Assistance to refugees in Africa

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of the fact that major refugee problems continue to arise in various parts of Africa,

Realizing that substantial resources must be mobilized in order to provide the refugees with immediate assistance and constructive aid so that they can support themselves in the host country until they can return to their country of origin,

Noting with satisfaction that the African States are showing a continuing interest in the problems of refugees by generously receiving refugees in a truly humanitarian spirit and by acceding in increasing numbers to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees,¹⁶

Having taken note with satisfaction of the efforts made by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the World Food Programme, the specialized agencies and many non-governmental organizations to solve the problems of refugees in Africa,

Having regard to the need to provide the means essential to uninterrupted continuation of the work of assisting refugees in Africa,

1. *Commends* the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the other inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations for their untiring efforts on behalf of refugees in Africa;

2. *Invites* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to devote special attention to the problems of refugees in Africa and to co-operate actively with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees by placing the necessary means at his disposal, particularly in the form of increased financial contributions to the programmes of the High Commissioner's Office.

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2041 (XX). Expression of appreciation to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The General Assembly,

Being informed that Mr. Félix Schnyder, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, will relinquish his post in the near future,

¹⁶ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 189 (1954), No. 2545.