

of the prospective volume of sound project requests and the capacity of the Programme to operate at a higher level;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations or members or associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to convene a pledging conference for this purpose at United Nations Headquarters early in 1978;

4. *Decides* that, subject to the review of the World Food Programme provided for in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 2095 (XX), the pledging conference at which Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1981 and 1982, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened, at the latest, early in 1980.

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32/113. 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 requested the Secretary-General to convene a pledging conference on the Fund,

Expressing appreciation to the countries that contributed to the Fund at the pledging conference held on 2 November 1977,

Concerned at the fact that the Fund has not yet become operational as envisaged in General Assembly resolution 31/177,

1. *Urges* Member States and the entire international community to make generous voluntary contributions to the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing countries in order to make it operational as soon as possible;

2. *Authorizes* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to propose, in close collaboration with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, interim arrangements to implement the aims and purposes laid down in the statute of the Fund until the Fund becomes operational, in the manner specified in General Assembly resolution 31/177, subject to approval of such arrangements by the Governing Council of the Programme.

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15 December 1977*

32/114. United Nations Development Programme

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and

the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, as well as its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its resolution 31/171 of 21 December 1976,

Further recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2024 (LXI) of 4 August 1976,

Having examined the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-third⁶² and twenty-fourth⁶³ sessions,

Reiterating the need to reach the required level of contributions to the United Nations Development Programme in order to fulfil the aims and objectives established in the second programming cycle, 1977-1981, and its concern about the lack of dynamic growth of resources for the Programme,

Noting that the results of the 1977 Pledging Conference on the United Nations Development Programme fell short of the agreed target of an over-all growth rate of 14 per cent for voluntary contributions,

Recognizing the need for the United Nations Development Programme to implement fully the new dimensions in technical co-operation, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 3405 (XXX) of 28 November 1975,

1. *Reaffirms* the validity of the consensus of 1970 as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970;

2. *Takes note* of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions;

3. *Notes with approval* the action initiated by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, as endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 2110 (LXIII) of 3 August 1977, to reinforce the effectiveness and impact of the Programme, and requests the Governing Council, in pursuance of its considerations on the role and activities of the Programme, to take fully into account the views expressed at the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council and at the thirty-second session of the General Assembly;

4. *Urges* the Governing Council and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to ensure that the role and activities of the Programme are in accordance with the development priorities and objectives of developing countries and in line with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular those related to the establishment of the new international economic order;

5. *Invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to continue his efforts, in association with the participating and executing agencies and co-operating organizations, to strengthen the

⁶² *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5940).*

⁶³ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3A (E/6013/Rev.1).

financial position of the Programme and to improve its management;

6. *Further invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to continue discussions with the executing agencies with a view to improving the substantive co-ordination of technical co-operation on the basis of the consensus of 1970;

7. *Urges* all States to take measures to provide the United Nations Development Programme with the necessary resources to fulfil the aims, objectives and programmes established in the second programming cycle, 1977-1981, and especially to achieve and even exceed the over-all annual growth rate of 14 per cent for voluntary contributions, on which the indicative planning figures for the cycle are based;

8. *Invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to pursue actively his efforts, as requested by the Governing Council, to strengthen the financial basis of the Programme, taking into account the views expressed in the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, and to report on the progress achieved to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session;

9. *Further invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the heads of executing agencies to increase substantially the number of experts from developing countries to be included in the lists of experts submitted to Governments for the execution of projects financed by the Programme, including nationals from their own countries, regional and subregional groupings, in accordance with relevant decisions of the Governing Council.

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32/115. United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development⁶⁴

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, and 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974,

Recalling section III, paragraph 7, of its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, in which it decided that a United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development should be held in 1978 or 1979,

Recalling paragraphs 2 and 3 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2028 (LXI) of 4 August 1976,

Recalling also its resolution 31/184 of 21 December 1976, in which it decided, *inter alia*, to convene the Conference during 1979, in time for the General Assembly to take action at its thirty-fourth session in the light of the results of the Conference, and in which it established the preparatory mechanism for the Conference,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 31/184,⁶⁵

Taking note also of the report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on

Science and Technology for Development on its first session.⁶⁶

Considering that the vital role of science and technology is universally recognized and that the General Assembly has recommended that science and technology should be called upon to play a more direct and important role in the process of stimulating development and reducing international inequalities,

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1. *Endorses* Economic and Social Council resolution 2123 (LXIII) of 4 August 1977;

2. *Decides* to hold the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development at an appropriate time in 1979, bearing in mind the decision contained in paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 31/184;

3. *Affirms* that the Conference should be aimed, *inter alia*, at the development, through enhanced international co-operation in science and technology, including the transfer of technology, of the independent scientific and technological capacity of developing countries, in particular through technological innovations, in order to facilitate the solution of their economic and social problems;

4. *Decides* that the Committee on Science and Technology for Development, when acting as the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, is open to the participation of all States as full members;

5. *Urges* all States, in consultation when necessary with the Secretary-General of the Conference, to take all necessary measures to make positive contributions to the preparatory work of the Conference;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the organs and organizations of the United Nations system to give high priority to the preparations for the Conference;

7. *Affirms* that the Secretary-General of the Conference is invested with full responsibility for the co-ordination of all substantive work of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the Conference to submit to the Secretary-General of the United Nations current reports on the state of preparations for the Conference;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council, a comprehensive and analytical progress report on the state of preparations for the Conference;

II

Reaffirms the provision in paragraph 5 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2033 (LXI) of 4 August 1976, in which the Council recommended the increase in the participation of developing countries in the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, and requests the Secretary-General, bearing in mind the role of the Advisory Committee in the preparations for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for

⁶⁴ See also sect. II; resolution 32/184, and sect. X.B.4. decisions 32/430 and 32/431.

⁶⁵ A/32/230 and Add.1-3 and Add.4/Rev.1.

⁶⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 43 (A/32/43 and Corr.3).*