

to the convening of a world assembly on aging, including appropriate proposals on ways in which either or both of these undertakings might be carried out;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session an item entitled "Problems of the elderly and the aged" under which the Secretary-General's report and pertinent observations by Member States would be considered.

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32/133. International Year for Disabled Persons

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/123 of 16 December 1976, by which it proclaimed the year 1981 International Year for Disabled Persons and decided to devote that year to the realization of a set of objectives, including:

(a) Helping disabled persons in their physical and psychological adjustment to society,

(b) Promoting all national and international efforts to provide disabled persons with proper assistance, training, care and guidance, to make available to them opportunities for suitable work and to ensure their full integration into society,

(c) Encouraging study and research projects designed to facilitate the practical participation of disabled persons in daily life, for example by improving their access to public buildings and transportation systems,

(d) Educating and informing the public of the rights of disabled persons to participate in and contribute to various aspects of economic, social and political life,

(e) Promoting effective measures for the prevention of disability and for the rehabilitation of disabled persons,

Recalling, in particular, paragraph 4 of its resolution 31/123 in which it requested the Secretary-General to elaborate, in consultation with Member States, the specialized agencies and the organizations concerned, a draft programme for the International Year for Disabled Persons,

Recalling its resolution 31/93 of 14 December 1976 on the medium-term plan, in paragraph 6 of which it urged organs to refrain from undertaking new activities not programmed in the medium-term plan and the subsequent programme budget unless a pressing need of an unforeseeable nature arises as determined by the General Assembly,

Having considered with satisfaction the report of the Secretary-General on the International Year for Disabled Persons⁸⁰ and the draft programme for the Year annexed thereto,

1. *Approves* the proposals of the Secretary-General, contained in his report, for preparatory work for the period 1978-1979;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to undertake the measures required to implement these proposals, including the necessary information activities prior to and during the International Year for Disabled Persons;

3. *Decides* that the International Year for Disabled Persons represents such a pressing need of an unforeseeable nature;

4. *Decides* to establish an Advisory Committee for the International Year for Disabled Persons, composed of the representatives of fifteen Member States to be appointed, on the basis of equitable geographical distribution, by the Chairman of the Third Committee, in concurrence with the regional groups;⁸¹

5. *Decides* that the task of the Advisory Committee shall be to consider, and to consult with Member States and specialized agencies on, the draft programme for the International Year for Disabled Persons prepared by the Secretary-General;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene the Advisory Committee no later than March 1979 at the Headquarters of the United Nations and to submit the report on that meeting to the General Assembly for consideration at its thirty-fourth session;

7. *Appeals* to Member States to make in due time generous voluntary contributions for the International Year for Disabled Persons;

8. *Encourages* Member States and the organizations concerned to take specific action in the preparation of the observance of the International Year for Disabled Persons;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session the item entitled "International Year for Disabled Persons".

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32/134. Youth in the contemporary world

The General Assembly,

Recalling that since 1965 numerous resolutions on the situation, needs and aspirations of youth have been adopted by both the General Assembly⁸² and the Economic and Social Council,⁸³

Recognizing the profound importance of the direct participation of youth in shaping the future of humanity,

Convinced of the imperative need to harness the energies, enthusiasms and creative abilities of youth to the tasks of nation building, the economic, social and cultural advancement of peoples, the implementation of the new international economic order, the preservation of world peace and the promotion of international co-operation and understanding,

Considering it necessary to disseminate among youth the ideals of peace, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, human solidarity and dedication to the objectives of progress and development,

Convinced of the necessity of meeting the legitimate needs and aspirations of youth and ensuring their active participation in all fields of national life,

⁸¹ The composition of the Advisory Committee will be announced subsequently.

⁸² Resolutions 2037 (XX), 2447 (XXIII), 2497 (XXIV), 2633 (XXV), 2770 (XXVI), 3022 (XXVII), 3023 (XXVII), 3024 (XXVII), 3140 (XXVIII), 3141 (XXVIII), 31/129, 31/130, 31/131 and 31/132.

⁸³ Resolutions 1086 J (XXXIX), 1353 (XLV), 1354 (XLV), 1407 (XLVI), 1752 (LIV), 1922 (LVIII), 1923 (LVIII), 1966 (LIX) and 2078 (LXII).