

32/3. Assistance for the reconstruction of Viet Nam

The General Assembly,

Having warmly welcomed the admission of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam to the United Nations,

Expressing profound admiration to the courageous Vietnamese people in their struggle for independence and national reunification and their constant efforts devoted to national reconstruction,

Deeply concerned over the grave economic and social consequences of the long years of war further aggravated by recent severe natural calamities,

Recalling the Secretary-General's statement in his report on the work of the Organization for 1974/1975 expressing the hope that the United Nations system would be able to assist countries in the Indo-China peninsula in their efforts for national rehabilitation after the war,²

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1944 (LVIII) of 7 May 1975 appealing to all States to come to the assistance of the people of Indo-China in their efforts to bring about the reconstruction of their countries, in accordance with the needs and requests of those countries, by ways and means which the latter deem most appropriate and with full respect for their national sovereignty,

Recalling further resolution 33 adopted by the World Conference of the International Women's Year, held at Mexico City from 19 June to 2 July 1975, on aid to the Vietnamese people,³

Noting with appreciation the prompt and pertinent efforts made by the Secretary-General and by the organs, agencies and programmes of the United Nations to mobilize assistance to meet the most pressing humanitarian needs in Viet Nam and to help organize relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction assistance to the Vietnamese people,

Further concerned that massive international assistance, notably in respect of food, equipment and project aid, remains urgently needed to speed up the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the social and economic infrastructure of the country,

Noting with satisfaction that the non-aligned group of countries has established, by resolution 28 adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 August 1976,⁴ a solidarity fund for the reconstruction of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam to help in the reconstruction effort,

1. *Recommends* that Viet Nam be included in the list of the most seriously affected countries;⁵

2. *Appeals* to the peoples and Governments of all Member States and to all international economic, financial and social institutions to increase and intensify their efforts and contributions on a bilateral and/or multilateral basis to help the Vietnamese people in the reconstruction of their country;

² See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 1A (A/10001/Add.1)*, sect. XVII.

³ See *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. III.

⁴ See A/31/197, annex IV, sect. B.

⁵ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/31/21)*, annex IV.

3. *Urges* the Secretary-General to continue to encourage further mobilization of resources and efforts from the international community with a view to achieving the social and economic rehabilitation of Viet Nam;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to utilize the necessary resources for implementing the present resolution.

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14 October 1977*

32/51. United Nations Institute for Training and Research

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,

Recalling also its resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling further its resolution 31/107 of 16 December 1976 on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Considering its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, which set in motion measures that form the basis and framework for the work of the competent bodies and organizations of the United Nations system,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;⁶

2. *Welcomes* the emphasis and urges the continuation of the concentration of the work of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in the sphere of economic and social training and research and the inclusion of specific projects on the problems in the areas identified by the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions and in the relevant decisions of the Assembly at its twenty-ninth session;

3. *Expresses the hope* that the United Nations Institute for Training and Research will have greater and wider financial support from Member States and organizations.

*98th plenary meeting
8 December 1977*

32/52. Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council: Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, by which it established the World Food Council to serve, in line with resolution XXII adopted by the World Food Conference,⁷ held at Rome from 5 to 16 November 1974, as a co-ordinating mechanism to provide over-all, integrated and continuing attention for the successful co-ordination and follow-up of

⁶ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/32/14 and Corr.1)*.

⁷ See *Report of the World Food Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. II.

policies concerning food production, nutrition, food security, food trade and food aid, as well as other related matters, by all organizations of the United Nations system,

Further recalling its resolution 31/121 of 16 December 1976, in which it requested the World Food Council, at its third session, to take immediate and concrete steps to promote the early implementation of the resolutions adopted by the World Food Conference, including the Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition,⁸ and its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Having considered the report of the World Food Council on the work of its third session, held at Manila from 20 to 24 June 1977,⁹

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolution 2114 (LXIII) of 4 August 1977,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the World Food Council on the work of its third session and expresses its appreciation to the Government and people of the Philippines for acting as host to the session and ensuring its outstanding success;

2. *Highly commends* the World Food Council for the important initiatives it has taken, as embodied in the Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition contained in the Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council,¹⁰ *inter alia*, to increase food production in the developing countries, improve and ensure world food security, expand and improve food aid programmes, improve human nutrition and liberalize and improve food trade;

3. *Adopts* the Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition contained in the Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council;

4. *Commends* those Governments, organizations of the United Nations system and other bodies that have already taken steps or are taking steps to implement the programme of Action;

5. *Calls upon* all Governments, specialized agencies, organs and other bodies within and outside the United Nations system dealing with food, agriculture and human nutrition to implement the Programme of Action fully and as a matter of urgency;

6. *Requests* the President of the World Food Council to work with the Governments and organizations referred to in paragraph 5 above to promote full implementation of the Programme of Action and, to this end, requests the Secretary-General to give the necessary assistance to the World Food Council;

7. *Further calls upon* all potential donors to announce before the end of 1977 their contributions to the international emergency reserve of cereals;

8. *Urges* all Governments and United Nations organizations and bodies—particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations as well as the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Food Programme, the Consultative Group on Food Production and Investment in Developing Countries, the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the

World Health Organization, the World Bank, the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade—to give full support and encouragement to the World Food Council in discharging the important responsibilities assigned to it by the World Food Conference and the General Assembly;

9. *Decides* to review at its thirty-third session the implementation of the Programme of Action.

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32/53. International Fund for Agricultural Development¹¹

The General Assembly,

Recalling resolution XIII of 16 November 1974 of the World Food Conference,¹² General Assembly resolutions 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, 3503 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and 31/122 of 16 December 1976 relating to the establishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development,

Concerned by the serious constraints facing the food and agriculture sector in the developing countries and especially the deteriorating situation of the least developed and most seriously affected developing countries in the field of agricultural development and nutrition,

Bearing in mind the objectives of the Fund as expressed in the Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development¹³ and emphasizing that the Executive Board of the Fund should take into consideration the advice and recommendations relevant to these objectives formulated by the World Food Council at its various sessions,

1. *Welcomes* the progress made so far towards enabling the International Fund for Agricultural Development to become operational and expresses its appreciation to the Chairman of the Preparatory Commission for the Fund for his efforts in this respect;

2. *Calls upon* all States eligible for original membership of the Fund that have not yet taken action to become parties to the Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development to sign it and to deposit an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession as a matter of urgency, so as to enable the Fund to become fully operational before the end of 1977, with the full resources pledged to it;

3. *Invites* all other States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency to take action to become members of the Fund.

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32/54. United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973,

⁸ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/32/19).*

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, part one, para. 1.

¹¹ See also resolution 32/107 in the present section.

¹² See *Report of the World Food Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. II.

¹³ See IFAD/1.