

Co-operation among Developing Countries,<sup>192</sup> which is expected to make a significant contribution to the promotion of economic co-operation among developing countries;

2. *Welcomes also* the Action Programme for Economic Co-operation<sup>190</sup> and the resolution containing policy guidelines on the reinforcement of collective self-reliance between developing countries,<sup>191</sup> which are expected to make a significant contribution to furthering economic co-operation among developing countries;

3. *Urges* the developed countries and international organizations to provide appropriate support and assistance to the process and activities of economic co-operation among developing countries, notably in fulfilment of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, bearing in mind the Arusha Programme<sup>189</sup> and its principles and objectives of economic co-operation among developing countries, namely, that:

(a) Economic co-operation among developing countries is a basic component of the efforts towards the establishment of the new international economic order and as such is based on common interests and co-operation among all States;

(b) Economic co-operation among developing countries, being a matter that chiefly concerns the developing countries, should be devised and implemented by them at the subregional, regional and interregional levels, and appropriate, concomitant support action on the part of the developed countries and organizations of the international community is needed to contribute to its implementation;

4. *Urges* all countries, in particular the developed countries, and international organizations to contribute fully to the implementation of the recommendations on economic co-operation among developing countries contained in resolution 127 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;<sup>185</sup>

5. *Urges* developed countries and international financial institutions, in their bilateral and multilateral development assistance programmes, to take action to enable developing countries to participate effectively in the execution of bilateral and multilateral projects financed in developing countries through the greatest possible use of their own capabilities;

6. *Further urges* the developed countries to contribute to the implementation of projects of economic co-operation among developing countries through the United Nations development system;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to undertake, as a matter of priority, the necessary preparations for convening a special session of the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, in particular taking measures to prepare for holding the three preparatory meetings of governmental experts from developing countries, as well as other meetings of governmental experts that may be requested by other regional groups, referred to in paragraph 13 of resolution 127 (V) of the Conference;

8. *Also requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, within the framework of the mandate of the Conference and in

the light of its key role in economic co-operation among developing countries within the United Nations system, to intensify further its efforts in support of relevant programmes of economic co-operation among developing countries and to maintain close co-operation, where appropriate, with other United Nations organizations and the specialized agencies as well as with the regional inter-governmental organizations of the developing countries;

9. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on economic co-operation among developing countries;<sup>193</sup>

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to include in the medium-term plan of the United Nations an intersectoral presentation of the activities envisaged for implementing the relevant resolutions of the United Nations on economic co-operation among developing countries and to promote the same kind of intersectoral presentation on a system-wide basis;

11. *Urges* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, in accordance with established procedures and practices, to support measures of economic co-operation among developing countries, including—as requested—the continued provision of the necessary Secretariat support services and other suitable arrangements to facilitate the holding of meetings by the developing countries in pursuance of the objectives of economic co-operation among developing countries;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include a review of developments regarding economic co-operation among developing countries, taking into account the implementation of the present resolution, in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1980 on the implementation of the decisions taken regarding the establishment of the new international economic order called for in Assembly resolution 33/198 of 29 January 1979.

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19 December 1979*

#### **34/203. United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries<sup>194</sup>**

*The General Assembly,*

*Noting* the request contained in paragraph 11 (e) of resolution 122 (V) of 3 June 1979 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>195</sup> in which the Conference emphasized the special importance of the action to be taken and invited the General Assembly to convene a United Nations conference on the least developed countries, in order to finalize, adopt and support the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s,

*Expressing deep concern* at the gravity of the economic and social situation of the least developed countries,

*Emphasizing* that the special and pressing problems facing the least developed countries should be taken fully into account in the formulation of the strategy for the third United Nations development decade,

*Bearing in mind* the need for full implementation of the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the

<sup>193</sup> A/34/546.

<sup>194</sup> See also sect. I, foot-note 11.

<sup>192</sup> *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fifth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), annex VI, sect. II.

<sup>195</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fifth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), part one, sect. A.

Least Developed Countries and urgent implementation of the Immediate Action Programme for 1979-1981, called for in resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

1. *Decides* to convene a United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in 1981;

2. *Decides further* that the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries should have the objective of finalizing, adopting and supporting the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the least developed countries, outlined in resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to designate the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, bearing in mind the focal role which the Conference has played in the preparation of the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries, as Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

4. *Decides* to designate the Intergovernmental Group on the Least Developed Countries of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to act as the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, open to the full participation of all States members of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

5. *Further decides* to initiate the preparation of studies, as provided for in resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, by the relevant secretariats of the United Nations system, requests donor Governments and the least developed countries themselves to initiate similar studies, and requests the Preparatory Committee to consider any additional studies that may be necessary;

6. *Requests* the Intergovernmental Group on the Least Developed Countries, which is scheduled to meet in February 1980, to recommend additional sessions which may be necessary in 1980 and 1981 to complete the preparations for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

7. *Requests* the Preparatory Committee to report on its work to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in response to paragraph 33 of resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to entrust the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation with the responsibility for taking the necessary steps, with the collaboration of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to ensure the full mobilization and co-ordination of all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in the further elaboration and implementation of the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries and in the preparations for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

9. *Invites* the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system concerned, especially the regional commissions, the United Nations Development Programme and the World Bank, to extend their fullest co-operation, support and contribution to the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries.

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### 34/204. Effective mobilization and integration of women in development

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 3517 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the mid-term review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 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, 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation and 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, containing the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,

*Taking into consideration* its resolution 3520 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the World Conference of the International Women's Year, in which it, *inter alia*, proclaimed the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace and decided to establish the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women,

*Taking note* of the part of the Economic Declaration adopted by the Sixth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Havana from 3 to 9 September 1979, relating to the role of women in development,<sup>196</sup>

*Also taking into consideration* its resolutions 3505 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the integration of women in the development process and 31/175 of 21 December 1976 and 33/200 of 29 January 1979 on the effective mobilization of women in development,

*Affirming* that women and men should participate and contribute on a basis of equality in the social, economic and political processes of development, including decision-making, and should share in improved conditions of life,

*Aware* of the need for continuing and increased measures aimed at the effective participation of women in the over-all development of their countries,

*Bearing in mind* the preparations for the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade,

*Bearing in mind also* the preparations for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, to be held at Copenhagen in 1980,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the effective mobilization and integration of women in development,<sup>197</sup>

1. *Welcomes* the inclusion in the Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development<sup>198</sup> of special provisions relating to the integration of women in rural development and calls upon the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Develop-

<sup>196</sup> See A/34/542, annex, sect. IV, paras. 112 and 113.

<sup>197</sup> A/34/531.

<sup>198</sup> See Report of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development, Rome, 12-20 July 1979 (WCARRD/REP); transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/34/485).