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#### 46/17. International Forum on Health—A Conditionality for Economic Development: Breaking the Cycle of Poverty and Inequity

*The General Assembly,*

Recalling its resolutions 40/108 of 13 December 1985, in which it endorsed the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,<sup>2</sup> and 45/129 of 14 December 1990, in which it reaffirmed the need for the Forward-looking Strategies to be translated into concrete action by Governments, as well as by organizations of the United Nations system, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,

Recognizing the importance of an integrated approach to the health of women in developing countries and the crucial role of women in health and development,

Recognizing also the effects of poor health on women and their socio-economic development, and emphasizing the need to accelerate the economic empowerment of women in economic development,

Welcoming the initiative taken by the Government of Ghana and the World Health Organization to hold an In-

ternational Forum on Health—A Conditionality for Economic Development: Breaking the Cycle of Poverty and Inequity, to be hosted by the First Lady of Ghana, Mrs. Nana Konadu Agyeman-Rawlings, at Accra from 4 to 6 December 1991.

1. Welcomes the support provided by the World Health Organization in preparation for the International Forum on Health—A Conditionality for Economic Development: Breaking the Cycle of Poverty and Inequity, and requests it to continue to provide all the necessary input and to contribute to the Forum, in cooperation and coordination with appropriate United Nations organizations;

2. Invites all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to participate in and support the Forum, at which special consideration will be given to improving the health status and economic situation of vulnerable and marginalized groups, especially women in developing countries;

3. Requests the Director-General of the World Health Organization, in collaboration with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, to make

efforts to enable participants from the least developed countries to attend the Forum;

4. *Requests* the Director-General of the World Health Organization to share the results of the Forum with all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system, the specialized agencies, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other interested parties.

*48th plenary meeting  
18 November 1991*

**46/22. Revision of the General Regulations of the World Food Programme and enlargement of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes of the World Food Programme**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1714 (XVI) of 19 December 1961, 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and 3404 (XXX) of 28 November 1975, concerning the establishment and continuation of the United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations World Food Programme,

*Also recalling* its decision 44/414 of 22 November 1989, its resolution 45/218 of 21 December 1990 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/79 of 27 July 1990, on the governance of the World Food Programme,

*Having considered* Economic and Social Council decision 1991/298 of 26 July 1991, adopted on the recommendation of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes of the World Food Programme concerning the governance of the Programme and its relationship with the United Nations and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

1. *Decides*, subject to the concurrence of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, that the membership of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes shall be increased from thirty to forty-two by the addition of twelve States Members of the United Nations or States members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and that the Economic and Social Council and the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations shall elect six additional members each;

2. *Also decides*, taking into account the membership criteria laid down in its resolution 3404 (XXX), that the enlarged Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes shall comprise twenty-seven members from developing countries and fifteen from more economically developed countries, to be elected from the States listed in appendix A to the report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes on its first special session<sup>3</sup> and in accordance with the following distribution of seats:

(a) Eleven members from the States included in list A of appendix A, five members to be elected by the Economic and Social Council and six by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

(b) Nine members from the States included in list B of appendix A, four members to be elected by the Economic and Social Council and five by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;<sup>4</sup>

(c) Seven members from the States included in list C of appendix A, four members to be elected by the Eco-

nomics and Social Council and three by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

(d) Thirteen members from the States included in list D of appendix A, seven members to be elected by the Economic and Social Council and six by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

(e) Two members from the States included in list E of appendix A, one member to be elected by the Economic and Social Council and one by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations;

3. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council, at its organizational session for 1992, to elect six additional members of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes in accordance with the following distribution and terms of office:

(a) Two members from the States included in list A of appendix A, one member for a term of three years and one for a term of one year;

(b) Two members from the States included in list B of appendix A, one member for a term of three years and one for a term of two years;

(c) Two members from the States included in list C of appendix A, one member for a term of two years and one for a term of one year;

4. *Also requests* that, thereafter, the Economic and Social Council elect, for a term of three years, all members of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes for whose election it is responsible;

5. *Decides* to approve the revised General Regulations of the World Food Programme contained in appendix B to the report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes on its first special session,<sup>3</sup> as endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 1991/298 and by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations at the 18th plenary meeting of its ninety-ninth session, on 20 June 1991;

6. *Also decides*, subject to the concurrence of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, that the revised General Regulations shall enter into force on 1 January 1992.

*64th plenary meeting  
5 December 1991*

**46/141. International cooperation for the eradication of poverty in developing countries**

*The General Assembly,*

*Reaffirming* the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, contained in the annex to its resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, and the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990,

*Reaffirming also* its resolutions 43/195 of 20 December 1988, 44/212 of 22 December 1989 and 45/213 of 21 December 1990,

*Noting* that the eradication of poverty in developing countries has become a top-priority development objective for the 1990s,

*Stressing* that effective national policies supported by a favourable international economic environment can pro-