

providing guidance on policy, administration and operations, the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,

*Taking note* of the eighth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,<sup>74</sup>

*Noting* that the World Food Programme is celebrating its twentieth anniversary in 1983,

*Noting also* the activities of the Programme during the past twenty years in the use of food aid to promote development and to relieve distress, especially in emergencies,

*Conscious* that the Programme, originally established on an experimental basis, is now an important element in the development activities of the United Nations system,

*Noting* the versatility of food aid as an instrument for promoting general economic and social development, including rural development,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the World Food Programme on its twentieth anniversary and for the initiatives of the Programme to provide added impetus as it enters the third decade of its existence;

2. *Also expresses its appreciation* to Governments and to organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system for their support of the Programme;

3. *Calls upon* Governments to intensify their efforts to enable the Programme to fulfil its assigned role in accordance with its mandate even more effectively and for this purpose to channel, to the maximum extent possible and feasible, their food aid through the Programme;

4. *Encourages* the Programme to continue to explore opportunities to improve the constructive use of food aid in support of the economic and social development of the developing countries.

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#### **1983/73. Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1985-1986**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the eighth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,<sup>74</sup>

*Noting* the comments of the Committee concerning the minimum target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme for the period 1985-1986,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 2462 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and 2682 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, in which the Assembly recognized the experience gained by the World Food Programme in the field of multilateral food aid,

1. *Submits* to the General Assembly for consideration and adoption the draft resolution annexed hereto;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and

Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to undertake the necessary preparations for the announcement of pledges at the Eleventh Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

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#### **ANNEX**

##### **Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1985-1986**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the provision in paragraph 1 of its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 to the effect that the World Food Programme is to be reviewed before each pledging conference,

*Recalling also* the provisions of paragraph 4 of its resolution 36/202 of 17 December 1981, specifying that, subject to the review of the Programme provided for in resolution 2095 (XX), the next pledging conference should be convened at the latest early in 1984, at which time Governments and appropriate donor organizations should be invited to pledge contributions for 1985 and 1986, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

*Noting* that the review of the Programme was undertaken by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes at its fifteenth session and by the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983,

*Having considered* Economic and Social Council resolution 1983/73 of 29 July 1983, and the recommendations of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,

*Recognizing* the value of multilateral food aid as furnished by the World Food Programme since its inception and the necessity for continuing its action both as a form of capital investment and for meeting emergency food needs,

1. *Establishes* for the two years 1985 and 1986 a target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme of \$1.35 billion, of which not less than one third should be in cash and/or services in the aggregate, and expresses the hope that these resources will be augmented by substantial additional contributions from other sources, in recognition 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 and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and appropriate donor organizations 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 1984;

4. *Decides* that, subject to the review provided for in its resolution 2095 (XX), the subsequent pledging conference, at which Governments and appropriate donor organizations should be invited to pledge contributions for 1987 and 1988, 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 1986.

#### **1983/74. Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia and collaboration of such corporations with the racist minority régime in South Africa**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment

<sup>74</sup> WFP/CFA: 15/19; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/1983/92.

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,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolutions 37/39 of 3 December 1982 on the adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to the racist and colonialist régime of South Africa, 37/40 of 3 December 1982 on the implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, 37/41 of 3 December 1982 on the Second World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, 37/69 of 9 December 1982 on the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa, 37/74 of 9 December 1982 on the implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa and 37/233 of 20 December 1982 on the question of Namibia,

*Reaffirming* its previous resolutions on the activities of transnational corporations in southern Africa and the collaboration of such corporations with the racist minority régime in South Africa,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the policies and practices of transnational corporations regarding their activities in South Africa and Namibia,<sup>75</sup> prepared pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/69 of 27 October 1982,

*Considering* that the persistent operations of transnational corporations in Namibia in contravention of various United Nations resolutions continue to reinforce the illegal occupation of Namibia by South Africa and to pose a serious threat to the future political and economic independence of Namibia,

*Considering* that the role of transnational corporations in the strategic sectors, including the military and nuclear sectors of the South African economy, has persisted in violation of United Nations resolutions,

*Considering also* that the continued collaboration of transnational corporations with the racist minority régime in South Africa has caused widespread concern in recent years among national and local legislators, non-governmental organizations, trade unions, academic institutions and numerous other groups,

*Affirming* the need for action at the international level by intergovernmental organizations in order to complement national measures,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the policies and practices of transnational corporations regarding their activities in South Africa and Namibia, prepared pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/69;

2. *Commends* those groups, bodies and institutions that have exerted pressure on transnational corporations to terminate their investments in South Africa and other forms of collaboration with the racist minority

régime, and calls upon such organizations to intensify their efforts in those areas;

3. *Welcomes* as a positive step the policies of Governments directed towards bringing to an end the activities of their transnational corporations in southern Africa;

4. *Condemns* the racist minority régime in South Africa for its perpetuation of the inhuman system of *apartheid* and the illegal occupation of Namibia;

5. *Condemns* those transnational corporations which collaborate with the racist minority régime in South Africa, and calls upon all transnational corporations to respect the various United Nations resolutions concerning southern Africa;

6. *Calls upon* all home countries of transnational corporations to take effective measures to terminate the collaboration of their transnational corporations with the racist minority régime in South Africa, to prevent further new investments and reinvestments and to bring about an immediate withdrawal of all existing investments in South Africa and Namibia;

7. *Calls upon* all countries concerned to re-examine their relations with the transnational corporations operating in their territories which collaborate with the racist minority régime in South Africa;

8. *Calls upon* all anti-*apartheid* movements, religious institutions and bodies, trade unions, universities and other institutions that are shareholders of transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia to contribute to the efforts of the international community to eradicate *apartheid* by withdrawing their shareholdings in such transnational corporations;

9. *Urges* all transnational corporations to comply fully with the relevant United Nations resolutions by terminating all further investments in South Africa and Namibia and by ending their collaboration with the racist minority régime;

10. *Further calls upon* all States Members of the United Nations and all transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia to co-operate with the Secretary-General and the Commission on Transnational Corporations in organizing public hearings on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia;

11. *Reaffirms* Security Council resolution 301 (1971) of 20 October 1971, in which the Council called upon States to abstain from entering into economic relations with South Africa in respect of Namibia and declared that rights, titles or contracts granted to individuals or corporations by South Africa after the termination of the mandate were not subject to protection or espousal by their States against the claims of a future lawful Government of Namibia;

12. *Reaffirms* that the code of conduct on transnational corporations should include effective measures against the collaboration of transnational corporations with the racist minority régime in southern Africa;

<sup>75</sup> E/C.10/1983/10 and Add.1.

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To intensify the useful work of the Secretariat in the collection and dissemination of information on the activities of all transnational corporations in southern Africa;

(b) To make arrangements for the organization of public hearings, to be conducted by the Commission on Transnational Corporations, with the assistance of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations, on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia, in accordance with the modalities and procedures to be prescribed by the Commission at its tenth session;

(c) To report to the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its tenth session on the measures taken in pursuance of the present resolution;

(d) To expand the annex to the report of the Secretary-General referred to in paragraph 1 above to include all transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia;

14. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda for the tenth session of the Commission an item entitled "Responsibilities of home countries with respect to the transnational corporations operating in South Africa and Namibia in violation of the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations".

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**1983/75. Organization of public hearings on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions on the activities of transnational corporations in southern Africa, in particular resolution 1981/86 of 2 November 1981, in which it called for the organization of public hearings on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia,

*Recalling also* its resolution 1982/70 of 27 October 1982, according to which public hearings on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia, pursuant to Council resolution 1981/86, shall be conducted by the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its tenth session, which shall, as necessary, be extended for a period of one week for that purpose,

*Urges* regional groups to nominate their representatives to the *ad hoc* committee established under Council resolution 1982/70, unless they have already done so, to enable it to start work on the organization of the public hearings at the earliest possible time, but not later than the end of the year 1983, and to report to the Commission at its tenth session, so that it may conduct public hearings at its eleventh session.

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**1983/76. Cross-sectoral review of population**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1982/50 of 28 July 1982 on the revitalization of the Council, in which, *inter alia*, it decided to review every six years selected major issues in the proposed medium-term plans of the organizations of the United Nations system,

*Recalling* its decision 1983/101 of 4 February 1983, by paragraph 2 (c) of which it decided that food and agriculture and population would be the two areas for review in 1983,

*Emphasizing* the continuing relevance and importance of population policies and programmes in the economic and social development of the developing countries,

*Recalling* the World Population Plan of Action<sup>76</sup> adopted by consensus at the World Population Conference and given endorsement by the General Assembly in its resolution 3344 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974,

*Recalling* its resolutions 1981/87 of 25 November 1981, in which it decided to convene an International Conference on Population in 1984, and 1982/7 of 30 April 1982 and 1982/42 of 27 July 1982, concerning preparations for the Conference,

*Reaffirming* the importance of the Conference,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>77</sup> which, *inter alia*, outlines population trends and policies since 1974 and contains a review of the planned programmes and activities of the organizations of the United Nations system concerned in the field of population;

2. *Decides* to continue to attach high priority to population programmes and activities as contributing to the social and economic development of the developing countries, and urges that increased financial support for population activities be made available and that competent entities of the United Nations system take appropriate action accordingly in a co-ordinated manner in their respective programmes of work;

3. *Notes with satisfaction* that the various organizational elements of the United Nations and members of the United Nations system in the area of population are working towards an effective division of labour, and urges them to ensure enhanced co-operation and co-ordination among themselves;

4. *Decides* to consider the matter again at a future session, taking into account the outcome of the International Conference on Population to be held in 1984 in Mexico, and the other developments in the area of population.

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<sup>76</sup> Report of the United Nations World Population Conference, Bucharest, 19-30 August 1974 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.XIII.3), chap. I.

<sup>77</sup> E/1983/101.