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### DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

#### Report of the Second Committee (Part I)

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 20 September 1985, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled:

"Development and international economic co-operation:

- "(a) International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade: report of the Committee on the Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;
- "(b) Review of the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States: report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States;
- "(c) Trade and development:
  - "(i) Report of the Trade and Development Board;
  - "(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General;
  - "(iii) Reports of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;
- "(d) Science and technology for development: report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development;

- "(e) Economic and technical co-operation among developing countries:
  - "(i) Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries;
  - "(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General;
- "(f) Environment:
  - "(i) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme;
  - "(ii) Report of the Secretary-General;
- "(g) Human settlements:
  - "(i) Report of the Commission on Human Settlements;
  - "(ii) Reports of the Secretary-General;
- "(h) International Year of Shelter for the Homeless: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(i) Effective mobilization and integration of women in development: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(j) Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(k) New international human order: moral aspects of development: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(l) Long-term trends in economic development: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(m) Immediate measures in favour of the developing countries: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(n) New and renewable sources of energy: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(o) Development of the energy resources of developing countries: report of the Secretary-General."

At the same meeting, the Assembly decided to allocate the item to the Second Committee.

2. The Committee considered this item at its 13th to 17th, 19th, 22nd to 30th and 32nd meetings, on 21, 23 to 25 and 29 October and 1, 4 to 8, 11 and 12 November 1985. An account of the Committee's general discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/40/SR.13-17, 19, 22-30 and 32).

Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 12th meetings, on 8 to 11 and 14 to 16 October 1985 (A/C.2/40/SR.3-12). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be given in addenda to the present report as follows:

- A/40/989/Add.1. sub-item (a)
- Add.2. sub-item (b)
- Add.3. sub-item (c)
- Add.4. sub-item (d)
- Add.5. sub-item (e)
- Add.6. sub-item (f)
- Add.7. sub-item (g)
- Add.8. sub-item (h)
- Add.9. sub-item (i)
- Add.10. sub-item (j)
- Add.11. sub-item (k)
- Add.12. sub-item (l)
- Add.13. sub-items (m), (n) and (o)
- Add.14. Proposals not related to a specific sub-item.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

- A/40/3 Relevant chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of its organizational session for 1985 and on its first and second regular sessions of 1985 1/
- A/40/173-S/17033 Note verbale dated 11 March 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the texts of the Final Communiqué and of resolutions adopted at the Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held at Sanaa from 18 to 22 December 1984
- A/40/184-E/1985/61 Letter dated 18 March 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Final Communiqué of the Third Ministerial Meeting of the Consultation and Follow-Up Machinery of the Cartagena Consensus, held at Santo Domingo on 7 and 8 February 1985

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1/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/40/3).

- A/40/185 Note verbale dated 19 March 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole to review the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States
- A/40/202 Letter dated 22 March 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole to review the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States
- A/40/203 Note verbale dated 22 March 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole to review the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States
- A/40/220 Letter dated 2 April 1985 from the representatives of Costa Rica and Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a Joint Declaration
- A/40/235-S/17103 Letter dated 15 April 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the information bulletin issued at the conclusion of the high-level meeting of the plenipotentiaries of the countries of the Contadora Group and Central America, held at Panama City on 11 and 12 April 1985
- A/40/276-S/17138 Letter dated 1 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Declaration of the Commemorative Meeting in Observance of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Asian-African Conference, held at Bandung, Indonesia, on 24 and 25 April 1985
- A/40/303-E/1985/76 Letter dated 9 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a text on the economic assistance of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to developing countries
- A/40/305 Letter dated 9 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Bonn Economic Declaration issued at the Bonn Economic Summit, held from 2 to 4 May 1985

- A/40/321 Letter dated 17 May 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Nicaragua to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a decision adopted by the Latin American Economic System
- A/40/327-E/1985/88 Letter dated 17 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the joint statement of the delegations of Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, concerning the Committee on the Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade
- A/40/330-S/17208 Letter dated 20 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the information bulletin issued at the conclusion of the meeting of Plenipotentiary Representatives of the Central American countries and the Contadora Group, held at Panama City from 14 to 16 May 1985
- A/40/340-E/1985/118 Letter dated 24 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the German Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, regarding the conversion of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency
- A/40/342-E/1985/119 Letter dated 28 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the declaration of the socialist countries on the situation in the International Labour Organisation
- A/40/347-E/1985/121 Letter dated 22 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- A/40/366-E/1985/123 Letter dated 3 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

- A/40/374-E/1985/126 Letter dated 10 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the instrument of ratification of the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- A/40/384-E/1985/127 Letter dated 14 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- A/40/401-S/17301 Letter dated 20 June 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the bulletin dated 19 June 1985 issued at the conclusion of the meeting of the Vice-Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group, held at Panama City on 18 and 19 June 1985
- A/40/407-E/1985/131 Note verbale dated 24 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a document concerning problems of development and international economic co-operation
- A/40/458-E/1985/135 Letter dated 3 July 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the International Labour Organisation
- A/40/459-E/1985/133 Letter dated 4 July 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the communiqué of the fortieth session of the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance, held at Warsaw from 25 to 27 June 1985
- A/40/476-E/1985/137 Letter dated 9 July 1985 from the representatives of the Federal Republic of Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a document on contributions to development activities of the United Nations system
- A/40/477-E/1985/136 Letter dated 12 July 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a statement on behalf of the socialist countries

- A/40/489-E/1985/143 Letter dated 9 July 1985 from the representatives of Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the International Labour Organisation
- A/40/495 Letter dated 17 July 1985 from the Permanent Representatives of El Salvador and Honduras to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a Joint Statement signed at La Paz, Honduras, on 11 July 1985
- A/40/525 2/ Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the statement by the President of the Economic and Social Council on the general discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments
- A/40/534-E/1985/159 Note verbale dated 21 June 1985 from the Permanent Mission of Mongolia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, concerning the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization
- A/40/544 Letter dated 12 August 1985 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Lima Declaration signed on 29 July 1985 by the Heads of State of Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Panama, Uruguay and Peru and by the Special Representatives of Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay and Venezuela
- A/40/545-S/17395 Letter dated 12 August 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the information bulletin issued by the Deputy Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group on 9 August 1985
- A/40/582-S/17420 Letter dated 27 August 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the communiqué issued at the conclusion of the meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group and of the Support Group composed of the Governments of Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Uruguay, held at Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, on 24 and 25 August 1985

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2/ Also before the General Assembly under item 12.

- A/40/640-S/17468 Letter dated 16 September 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the press release dated 13 September 1985 issued by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group and of the Central American countries
- A/40/672-S/17488 Letter dated 19 September 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the South Pacific Forum Communiqué of 6 August 1985
- A/40/708 Report of the Secretary-General on international co-operation in the fields of money, finance, debt, resource flows and trade and development
- A/40/762 Letter dated 17 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Declaration of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77
- A/40/817 Letter dated 28 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Bahamas to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the communiqué adopted at the meeting of Heads of Governments of Commonwealth States, held at Nassau from 16 to 22 October 1985
- A/40/837 Note verbale dated 15 October 1985 from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting resolutions adopted at the 74th Inter-Parliamentary Conference, held at Ottawa from 2 to 7 September 1985
- A/40/852 Letter dated 5 November 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General
- A/40/854-S/17610 Letter dated 5 November 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Final Political Declaration and the Economic Declaration adopted by the Conference of Foreign Ministers of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Luanda from 4 to 7 September 1985
- A/40/910 Letter dated 20 November 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General



- A/40/922-S/17651 Letter dated 22 November 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the communiqué issued on 21 November 1985 by the Deputy Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Contadora Group at the conclusion of the meeting of Plenipotentiaries of the Central American countries and the Contadora Group, held in Panama from 19 to 21 November 1985
- A/C.2/40/2 Letter dated 1 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the German Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General
- A/C.2/40/5 Letter dated 8 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General
- A/C.2/40/8 Letter dated 30 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General
- A/C.2/40/11 Letter dated 31 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General
- A/C.2/40/13 Letter dated 5 December 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

(a) International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade

- A/40/48 Report of the Committee on the Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade 3/

(b) Review of the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States

- A/40/52 Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States 4/

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3/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 48 (A/40/48).

4/ Ibid., Supplement No. 52 (A/40/52).

A/40/334 Letter dated 21 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Czechoslovakia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

(c) Trade and development

- A/40/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. K, and chap. IX, sect. G 1/
- A/40/15, vols. I-II Report of the Trade and Development Board on its thirtieth session and fourteenth special session (vol. I) and on its thirty-first session (vol. II) 5/
- A/40/596 Report of the Secretary-General on economic measures as a means of political and economic coercion against developing countries
- A/40/717 Report of the Secretary-General on the status of the Agreement Establishing the Common Fund for Commodities
- A/40/798 Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Inter-Agency Group on Reverse Transfer of Technology
- A/40/815 Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on progress in the implementation of specific action related to the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries
- A/C.2/40/12 Note by the Secretary-General on the United Nations Conference to Review All Aspects of the Set of Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules for the Control of Restrictive Business Practices

(d) Science and technology for development

- A/40/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council 1/
- A/40/37 Report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development 6/
- A/C.2/40/4 Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development

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5/ Ibid., Supplement No. 15 (A/40/15), vols. I and II.

6/ Ibid., Supplement No. 37 (A/40/37).

(e) Economic and technical co-operation among developing countries

- A/40/39 Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries 7/
- A/40/579 and Corr.1 Report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Co-ordination Conference
- A/40/581 Report of the Secretary-General on activities of the United Nations system in support of economic co-operation among developing countries
- A/40/656 and Add.1 Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on United Nations development system support to the implementation of the Buenos Aires plan of action on technical co-operation among developing countries and comments thereon of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination

(f) Environment

- A/40/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council 1/
- A/40/25 Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its thirteenth session 8/
- A/40/644 Report of the Secretary-General on financing the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification
- A/40/650 Report of the Secretary-General on remnants of war
- A/C.2/40/L.11 Note by the Secretariat drawing the Committee's attention to the following reports to be made available to the Committee:
- Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme on the implementation of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification in the Sudano-Sahelian region (UNEP/GC.13/7/Add.1)
- Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme on shared natural resources and legal aspects of offshore mining and drilling (UNEP/GC.13/9/Add.1)

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7/ Ibid., Supplement No. 39 (A/40/39).

8/ Ibid., Supplement No. 25 (A/40/25).

Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme on international conventions and protocols in the field of the environment (UNEP/GC.13/10)

(g) Human settlements

- A/40/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council 1/
- A/40/8 and Corr.1 Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on the work of its eighth session 9/
- A/40/373-E/1985/99 Report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories
- A/40/689 Report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination of human settlements programmes
- A/C.2/40/9 Letter dated 5 November from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

(h) International Year of Shelter for the Homeless

- A/40/8 and Corr.1 Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on the work of its eighth session 9/
- A/40/406 and Corr.1 Report of the Secretary-General on the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless

(i) Effective mobilization and integration of women in development

- A/40/703 and Corr.1 Note by the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 39/172
- A/CONF.116/4 Report of the Secretary-General on the world survey on the role of women in development

(j) Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries

- A/40/826 and Corr.1 Report of the Secretary-General on the mid-term global review of progress towards the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries

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9/ Ibid., Supplement No. 8 (A/40/8).

A/40/827

Note by the Secretary-General on the sixth session of the Intergovernmental Group on the Least Developed Countries

(k) New international human order: moral aspects of development

A/40/591

Report of the Secretary-General on the new international human order: moral aspects of development

(l) Long-term trends in economic development

A/40/3

Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. II 1/

A/40/519

Report of the Secretary-General on the overall socio-economic perspective of the world economy to the year 2000

(m) Immediate measures in favour of the developing countries

A/40/597 and Corr.1

Report of the Secretary-General on immediate measures in favour of the developing countries

(n) New and renewable sources of energy

A/40/548

Report of the Secretary-General on new and renewable sources of energy

(o) Development of the energy resources of the developing countries

A/40/511 and Corr.1

Report of the Secretary-General on the development of the energy resources of developing countries

A/40/637

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of resolution 39/176

4. At the 13th meeting, on 21 October, introductory statements were made by the Executive Director of the Centre for Science and Technology for Development, under sub-item (d), the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, under sub-item (g), the Assistant Secretary-General for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs, under sub-item (i), and the Assistant Secretary-General for Development Research and Policy Analysis (see A/C.2/40/SR.13, paras. 3-29).

5. At the 14th meeting, on 23 October, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme made an introductory statement under sub-item (f) (see A/C.2/40/SR.14, paras. 1-12).
6. At the 22nd meeting, on 1 November, the Vice-President for External Relations of the World Bank made a statement (see A/C.2/40/SR.22, paras. 17-25).
7. At the 23rd meeting, on 4 October, introductory statements were made by the Deputy Secretary-General and Officer-in-Charge of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, under sub-item (c), and the Assistant Secretary-General for Development Research and Policy Analysis (see A/C.2/40/SR.23, paras. 1-27).
8. At the 24th meeting, on 5 November, the Special Co-ordinator for New and Renewable Sources of Energy made an introductory statement under sub-item (n) (see A/C.2/40/SR.24).
9. At the 25th meeting, on 6 November, the President of the Trade and Development Board made a statement under sub-item (c) (see A/C.2/40/SR.25).

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