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INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

Report of the Third Committee

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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 the agenda of its fortieth session the item entitled "International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women: report of the Secretary-General" and to allocate it to the Third Committee.
2. The Third Committee considered the item jointly with items 92 and 100 at its 24th to 34th and 49th meetings, on 28, 30, 31 October and 1, 4 to 7 and 21 November 1985. An account of the Committee's discussions is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/40/SR.24-34 and 49).
3. The Committee had before it the following documentation:
 - (a) Report of the Economic and Social Council, chapter III, section C (A/40/3); 1/
 - (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the activities of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/40/707).

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

4. At the 24th meeting, on 28 October, the Director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women made an introductory statement.

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/40/L.30

5. At the 49th meeting, on 21 November, the representative of Argentina introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/40/L.30) entitled "International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women", sponsored by Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Austria, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, the Central African Republic, Chile, China, Colombia, the Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, Fiji, France, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Japan, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Spain, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire as well as Barbados, Cameroon, the Comoros, Senegal and Swaziland.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 7).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

7. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 37/56 of 3 December 1982, 38/104 of 16 December 1983 and 39/122 of 14 December 1984, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/45 of 31 May 1985,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report on activities of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, 2/

Taking note with interest of the Institute's mode of operation, through the use of networks, in carrying out its functions at the international, regional and national levels,

Recognizing the importance of research, training and information activities for the increased participation of women in the development process at all levels,

2/ A/40/707, annex.

Recognizing also the importance of research, training and information activities for the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, 3/

1. Requests the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women to strengthen its activities in research and training for the formulation of policy analysis, planning and programming relevant to the increased participation of women in development, especially its activities in statistics, indicators and data relevant to women, in particular in the developing countries, at the national and regional levels;

2. Also requests that the Institute give particular emphasis in its programme of activities to innovative methodological approaches related to women and development in research, training and information programmes;

3. Calls upon competent institutions and organizations within and outside the United Nations system to continue their collaboration with the Institute by strengthening the network of co-operative arrangements related to programmes concerning women and development;

4. Invites States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to contribute to the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, in view of the long-term projection for the work of the Institute;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-first session a report on the activities of the Institute;

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-second session the item entitled "International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women".

3/ See A/CONF.116/28, sect. A.