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Report of the Second Committee (Part I)*

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 1990, 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 fourth United Nations development decade (1991-2000);

"(b) Trade and development;

"(c) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries;

"(d) Food problems;

"(e) New and renewable sources of energy;

"(f) Development of the energy resources of developing countries"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

* The report of the Committee on this item will be issued in eight parts (see also A/45/849/Add.1-7).

2. The Second Committee held a general discussion of the item at the 19th to 21st, 23rd, 24th, and 39th to 47th meetings, on 22, 23, 29 October and 12, 13, 14, 19 and 20 November, and in particular of sub-items (a), (d), (e) and (f) at its 19th to 21st, 23rd and 24th meetings on 22, 23 and 29 October. The general discussion of sub-items (b) and (c) was held at the 44th to 47th meetings, on 19 and 20 November. An account of the Committee's general discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/45/SR.19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 44-47). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 9th meetings, from 8 to 11 October (see A/C.2/45/SR.2-9). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be given in addenda to the present report as follows:

A/45/849/Add.1: proposals not related to specific sub-items

Add.2: sub-item (a)

Add.3: sub-item (b)

Add.4: sub-item (c)

Add.5: sub-item (d)

Add.6: sub-item (e)

Add.7: sub-item (f)

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

A/45/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council for 1990 1/

A/45/25 Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its special session 2/

A/45/64 Letter dated 11 December 1989 from the Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Castries Declaration issued at the sixteenth meeting of the Authority of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

A/45/73-S/21065 Letter dated 29 December 1989 from the Permanent Representative of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Final Communiqué of the tenth summit of the Supreme Council of the Gulf Co-operation Council, held at Muscat, Oman, from 18 to 21 December 1989

1/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/45/3/Rev.1).

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/45/25).

- A/45/74-S/21068** Letter dated 30 December 1989 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the conclusions adopted by the Heads of State or Government of the Twelve States members of the European Community at the meeting of the European Council held at Strasbourg, France, on 8 and 9 December 1989
- A/45/113 and Add.1** Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Human resource development through technical co-operation"
- A/45/138-S/21161** Letter dated 22 February 1990 from the Permanent Representatives of Indonesia and Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a joint declaration of the Eighth Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Association of South-East Asian Nations and the European Community held at Kuching, Malaysia, on 16 and 17 February 1990
- A/45/160-S/21182** Letter dated 8 March 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a press communiqué issued at the end of the thirty-fourth session of the States members of the Gulf Co-operation Council
- A/45/164-S/21187** Letter dated 7 March 1990 from the Permanent Representatives of Thailand and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a joint communiqué between Thailand and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, issued at Bangkok on 12 February 1990
- A/45/276-E/1990/88** Letter dated 15 May 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Albania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a report of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Albania on the improvement of the economic mechanism
- A/45/299** Letter dated 25 May 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting an extract from the report on the Preparatory Meeting of Island Developing Countries of the Caribbean held at Castries from 28 to 30 March 1990

- A/45/303** Letter dated 5 June 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the joint communiqué adopted by the First Meeting of the Summit Level Group for South-South Consultations and Co-operation, Group of 15, held at Kuala Lumpur from 1 to 3 June 1990
- A/45/310-S/21355** Letter dated 12 June 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a press communiqué issued at Taif, Saudi Arabia, on 4 June 1990, by the thirty-fifth session of the Ministerial Council of the Gulf Co-operation Council
- A/45/334-E/1990/100** Letter dated 2 July 1990 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of a resolution entitled "Latin American and Caribbean Proposal for a Solution to its External Debt Problem"
- A/45/350** Letter dated 16 July 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, containing an announcement by the Government of Japan regarding driftnet fishing in the South Pacific
- A/45/381-E/1990/118** Letter dated 3 August 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Albania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the decrees of the Presidium of the People's Assembly of the People's Socialist Republic of Albania on the further development of the economic and social life of the country, approved at Tirana on 31 July 1990
- A/45/451** Report of the Secretary-General on developing human resources for development
- A/45/487** Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on trends in the transfer of resources to and from the developing countries and their impact on the economic growth and sustained development of those countries
- A/45/491** Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development on patterns of consumption and qualitative indicators of development

- A/45/584 Letter dated 4 October 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Bolivia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the declaration of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the member States of the Group of 77 adopted on 3 October 1990 on the occasion of their fourteenth annual meeting
- A/45/597 Letter dated 8 October 1990 from the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Hungary and of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the joint statement adopted at Kiev on 27 September 1990
- A/45/598 Letter dated 3 October 1990 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Secretary of State of the United States of America addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Joint American-Soviet Statement: Responsibility for Peace and Security in the Changing World
- A/45/657 Letter dated 19 October 1990 from the Permanent Representatives of Poland and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Declaration on Principles and Basic Directions of the Development of Ukrainian-Polish Co-operation
- A/45/663 Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on large-scale pelagic driftnet fishing and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas
- A/45/666 Note verbale dated 23 October 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the documents of the Siena Forum on International Law of the Environment
- A/45/675 Letter dated 26 October 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting documents issued by the Presidents of the Rio Group on the occasion of the Presidential Meeting of the Permanent Mechanism for Consultation and concerted Political Action, held at Caracas on 11 and 12 October 1990
- A/C.2/45/5 Letter dated 2 October 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the Secretary-General, transmitting the declaration of the Heads of State and Government of the least developed countries

- A/C.2/45/12 Letter dated 14 November 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting documents entitled "A Call to Action: Communiqué from the Seventh Ministerial Meeting on the Environment in Latin America and the Caribbean" and "The Port-of-Spain Accord on the Management and Conservation of the Caribbean Environment"
- A/C.2/45/14 Letter dated 7 December 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Declaration of the Nine on the Dialogue and Co-operation in the Western Mediterranean
- A/C.2/45/L.4 Draft resolution entitled "International conference on money and finance for development"
- (a) International development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade (1991-2000)
- A/45/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. B.2 1/
- A/45/41 Report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole for the Preparation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade 3/
- (b) Trade and development
- A/45/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. B.1 1/
- A/45/15 Report of the Trade and Development Board on the second part of its thirty-sixth session and on the first part of its thirty-seventh session and sixteenth special session 4/

3/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 41 (A/45/41).

4/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/45/15).

- A/45/442 and Corr.1 Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on world commodity trends and prospects
- A/45/453 and Add.1 Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on specific measures in favour of island developing countries
- A/45/565 Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the resolution on the trade embargo against Nicaragua
- A/45/588 Report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the international code of conduct on the transfer of technology
- A/C.2/45/11 Letter dated 20 November 1990 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Second Committee, regarding the eighth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to be held at Punta del Este, Uruguay, from 21 September to 8 October 1991

(c) Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries

- A/45/695 Report of the Secretary-General on the Review and appraisal of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries: Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

(d) Food problems

- A/45/3 Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. B.3 1/
- A/45/19 Report of the World Food Council on its sixteenth session 5/
- A/45/583 Report of the Secretary-General on trends in the international market for agricultural and tropical products and the liberalization of international agricultural trade

5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/45/19).

A/C.2/45/9

Letter dated 8 November 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting a communiqué adopted at the Cairns Ministerial Meeting held at Geneva on 5 November 1990

(e) New and Renewable sources of energy

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Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. B.5 1/

A/45/36 and Add.1

Report of the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy 6/

(f) Development of the energy resources of developing countries

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Report of the Economic and Social Council, chap. IV, sect. B.5 1/

A/45/274-E/1990/73
and Corr.1

Report of the Secretary-General on energy exploration and development trends in developing countries

4. At the 19th meeting, on 22 October 1990, introductory statements on sub-items (a), (d), (e) and (f) were made by the Under-Secretary-General for International Economic and Social Affairs, the Executive Director of the World Food Council and the Special Co-ordinator for New and Renewable Sources of Energy. A representative of the Joint Inspection Unit also made a statement (see A/C.2/45/SR.19).

5. At the 21st meeting, on 23 October, an introductory statement was made by the President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development under sub-item 79 (d) (see A/C.2/45/SR.21).

6. At the 39th meeting, on 12 November, introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, the Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization and the Under-Secretary-General for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (see A/C.2/45/SR.39).

7. At the 44th meeting, on 19 November, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development made an introductory statement on sub-items (b) and (c) (see A/C.2/45/SR.44).

6/ Ibid., Supplement No. 36 (A/45/36).