

Recalling further its resolution 33/20 of 29 November 1978 on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Acknowledging the value of the research and “futures studies” undertaken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Recognizing the role of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in assisting, through training and other services within its mandate, members of permanent missions to the United Nations and other national officials concerned with the work of the United Nations,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research<sup>11</sup> and the introductory statement which he made on 12 October 1979;<sup>12</sup>

2. Welcomes the emphasis on, and urges the continuation of the concentration of the work of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in the sphere of, economic and social training and research and the inclusion of specific projects on the problems in the areas identified by the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions and in the relevant decisions adopted by the Assembly at its twenty-ninth session;

3. Calls upon Member States and organizations to provide greater and wider financial support to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research.

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9 November 1979

#### 34/18. International assistance for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of the Dominican Republic

*The General Assembly,*

Having considered the report of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America on its thirteenth special session,<sup>13</sup>

Deeply concerned at the magnitude of the damage caused in the Dominican Republic by hurricanes “David” and “Frederic”, which resulted in extensive loss of human life and destruction of the economic and social infrastructure,

1. Endorses the resolution adopted on 19 October 1979 by the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America;<sup>14</sup>

2. Urges Governments of Member States and international organizations to provide with the utmost urgency the assistance envisaged in that resolution for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of the Dominican Republic;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly informed during the next two years of the results achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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<sup>11</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/34/14).

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, Thirty-fourth Session, Second Committee, 16th meeting, paras. 12-22.

<sup>13</sup> E/CEPAL/G.1105.

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, sect. IV, resolution 417 (PLEN.13).

#### 34/19. International assistance for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Dominica

*The General Assembly,*

Having considered the report of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America on its thirteenth special session,<sup>15</sup>

Deeply concerned at the magnitude of the damage caused in Dominica by hurricanes “David” and “Frederic”, which resulted in extensive loss of human life and destruction of the economic and social infrastructure,

1. Endorses the resolution adopted on 19 October 1979 by the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America;<sup>16</sup>

2. Urges Governments of Member States and international organizations to provide with the utmost urgency the assistance envisaged in that resolution for the rehabilitation, reconstruction and development of Dominica;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly informed during the next two years of the results achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### 34/23. United Nations Cocoa Conference

*The General Assembly,*

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

Concerned at the increasing difficulties confronting developing countries in international trade in commodities and at the little progress made thus far in the preparatory meetings and negotiations on the majority of commodities under the Integrated Programme for Commodities, adopted on 30 May 1976 by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>17</sup>

Considering that the question of commodities, in particular cocoa, has been under regular consideration at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development by producers and consumers but that no final agreement on cocoa has yet been reached,

Taking into account the work done thus far with regard to commodities, in particular cocoa,

1. Takes note of the efforts being made within the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to implement the Integrated Programme for Commodities;

2. Urges all States participating in the United Nations Cocoa Conference to intensify consultations preparatory to the third part of the Conference, which will be held at Geneva from 19 to 30 November 1979;

<sup>15</sup> E/CEPAL/G.1105.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, sect. IV, resolution 418 (PLEN.13).

<sup>17</sup> See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10 and corrigendum), part one, sect. A, resolution 93 (IV).

3. *Invites* all participating States to show the necessary political will during consideration of the main outstanding questions in order to create conditions conducive to the success of the negotiations for the speedy conclusion of an international agreement on cocoa.

*68th plenary meeting  
15 November 1979*

### 34/54. Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia

*The General Assembly,*

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia,<sup>18</sup> prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution 33/21 of 29 November 1978, with regard to the progress made in the implementation of all the relevant resolutions of the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council,

*Having heard* the statement of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator outlining the critical food situation for the year 1979/80,<sup>19</sup>

*Noting* the statement of the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Africa of the United Nations Development Programme on the assistance being provided by the Programme to the Government of Ethiopia in relation to its relief and rehabilitation programmes in the drought-stricken areas of the country,<sup>20</sup>

*Noting also* the statement of the representative of Ethiopia outlining the measures taken by the Government of Ethiopia to deal with relief and rehabilitation in the drought-stricken areas of the country,<sup>21</sup>

*Noting further* the call made in the multi-donor mission's report for urgent assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia,<sup>22</sup>

*Noting with appreciation* the determined efforts being made by the Government of Ethiopia through its National Development Campaign to mitigate the effects of the drought and to make the country self-sufficient in food,

*Concerned* at the gravity of the food situation due to the drought and the devastation of crops by swarms of locusts and other pests,

*Noting with appreciation* in this regard the continued efforts of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, as well as of the World Food Programme, in particular the assistance given by the Food and Agriculture Organization through its Office for Special Relief Operations and the emergency food aid provided by the World Food Programme as approved by the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization,

*Recalling* that, despite the generous assistance offered to the Government of Ethiopia by the Governments of Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies, enormous difficulties of rehabilitation and recovery still persist,

<sup>18</sup> A/34/198.

<sup>19</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Second Committee, 30th meeting, paras. 1-13.*

<sup>20</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Plenary Meetings, 10th meeting, paras. 1-25.*

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 26-30.

<sup>22</sup> See A/34/198, para. 5.

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia;

2. *Requests* the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, the United Nations Development Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and other United Nations organizations and specialized agencies to continue and intensify their assistance to Ethiopia in its relief and rehabilitation efforts, particularly the Government's resettlement programme, in their respective areas of competence, and to implement promptly and fully the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, 3441 (XXX) of 9 December 1975 and 31/172 of 21 December 1976, and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1833 (LVI) of 8 May 1974, 1876 (LVII) of 16 July 1974, 1971 (LIX) of 30 July 1975, 1986 (LX) of 6 May 1976, 1978/2 of 2 May 1978 and 1979/2 of 4 May 1979;

3. *Appeals* to Governments of Member States and to intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to continue and increase their assistance to the Government of Ethiopia for relief, rehabilitation and recovery of the drought-stricken areas;

4. *Calls upon* all concerned to ensure that the international assistance provided shall be used for the sole purpose of relief and rehabilitation;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to report to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1980 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session on the implementation of paragraphs 2 and 3 above and of the other relevant resolutions of the Assembly and the Council.

*82nd plenary meeting  
29 November 1979*

### 34/55. Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* section II, paragraph 14, of its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, and its resolution 33/22 of 29 November 1978,

*Noting* Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/59 of 3 August 1979,

*Reaffirming* that it is necessary to ensure a continued sound financial basis for the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, as recognized by the General Assembly in its resolution 31/173 of 21 December 1976,

*Reaffirming also* the central role of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator in the mobilization, direction and co-ordination of international disaster relief assistance, in accordance with the mandate established by the General Assembly in its resolution 2816 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971,

*Recognizing* the detrimental effects of natural disasters on the development programmes of developing countries and mindful of the need to take disaster matters into consideration in the preparatory process for the new international development strategy,

*Recognizing also* that the funds provided in the regular budget of the United Nations for the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator for emer-