

looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women into both economic and social development programmes, prepared for consideration by the General Assembly at its forty-first session;

(b) Proposals for the preparation by the Secretariat of the medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995;

(c) Programme narrative of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989, prepared for consideration by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its twenty-seventh session;

(d) Final draft of the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, prepared for consideration by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its twenty-seventh session and by the Economic and Social Council;

(e) Monitoring, review and appraisal of the Forward-looking Strategies with a view to facilitating their expeditious and universal application, prepared for consideration by the Commission at its thirty-first session;

(f) Proposed guidelines for the long-term programme of work of the Commission to the year 2000;

(g) Proposals for the strengthening of the Commission in discharging its functions, prepared for consideration by the Commission at its thirty-first session; and invites the Commission to concentrate its deliberations on matters which it considers to be priority issues;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission, well in advance of the 1987 session, concise reports, including those identified in the provisional agenda for the 1987 session, and relevant documentation on the matters referred to in paragraph 2 above;

4. *Approves* the provisional agenda and documentation for the 1987 session of the Commission on the Status of Women contained in the annex to the present resolution.

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ANNEX

Provisional agenda and documentation for the 1987 session of the Commission on the Status of Women

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Implications of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women for programme planning in the United Nations system.

Documentation

Revisions to chapters 10 to 24 of the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989 with a view to integrating the Forward-looking Strategies fully into both economic and social development programmes

Report of the Secretary-General providing guidance for integrating the Forward-looking Strategies into the medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995

Relevant sections of the programme narrative of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989

Report of the Secretary-General containing the draft of the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development

Report of the Secretary-General on measures for the integration of the needs and concerns of women in planning and programme activities of the United Nations system⁵³

4. Monitoring and review and appraisal of the implementation of the Forward-looking Strategies.

⁵³ E/CN.6/1986/3.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on a reporting system for periodic review and appraisal of progress in the advancement of women at national, regional and international levels⁵⁴

5. Strengthening the Commission on the Status of Women.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on alternative measures to strengthen the Commission on the Status of Women⁵⁵

6. Programme of future work and provisional agenda for the next session.

Documentation

Report by the Secretary-General containing guidelines for the long-term programme of work of the Commission to the year 2000

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission.

1986/31. National machinery to promote the advancement of women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3275 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974, 31/136 of 16 December 1976 and 33/186 of 29 January 1979, in which the Assembly recommended that Member States establish appropriate national machinery to accelerate the integration of women in all spheres of national life,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 1978/26 of 5 May 1978 and 1980/35 of 2 May 1980, concerning the important role of machinery at the national governmental level in the implementation of the objectives and goals of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace and in the attainment of national priorities for the advancement of women,

Stressing the need, expressed in General Assembly resolution 40/108 of 13 December 1985, for Governments to allocate adequate resources and to take effective appropriate measures to implement the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women³⁴ as a matter of high priority, including the establishment or reinforcement, as appropriate, of national machinery to promote the advancement of women, and to monitor the implementation of the Strategies with a view to ensuring the full integration of women in the political, economic, social and cultural life of their countries,

Taking note of paragraph 106 of the Forward-looking Strategies, in which it is stated that appropriate national machinery is lacking or, where it exists, lacks the resources, focus, responsibility and authority to be effective, which is a serious obstacle to the effective integration of women in the development process,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene, subject to the availability of financial resources, an interregional seminar, including heads of national machinery, to examine the question of national machinery and to make recommendations for consideration by the Commission on the Status of Women with a view to strengthening that machinery for the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women at national, regional and international levels;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a document for the seminar, on the basis of information provided by Member States and others concerned on the current status of national machinery to promote the advancement of women, to identify issues for discussion and to develop for that purpose a number of case studies;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report for in-depth consideration by Member States at

⁵⁴ E/CN.6/1986/2 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.

⁵⁵ E/CN.6/1986/13.

the 1988 session of the Commission on the Status of Women, based on information obtained from Member States and others concerned, on the proposals of the seminar and on the basis of experience gained during the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, and to propose guidelines for national machinery to promote the advancement of women and ways to ensure effective implementation of the Forward-looking Strategies;

4. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in preparing the above-mentioned report, to draw upon all relevant information, including reports of States members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

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1986/32. International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

*The Economic and Social Council,
Recalling its resolution 1985/45 of 31 May 1985, concerning the report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women,*

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 40/38 of 29 November 1985,

Having considered the report of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on its sixth session,⁵⁶

Noting that the programmes implemented by the Institute, as well as those included in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 as approved by the Board of Trustees at its sixth session, are consistent with the goals of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,⁵⁴

Recognizing that it is important for the Institute to have the necessary resources to implement its programme of work,

Convinced of the importance of the Institute's mode of operation through networks for its activities at the national, regional and international levels,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on its sixth session and the decisions contained therein;

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* at the fact that the Institute implemented its programme of work for the biennium 1984-1985, making adequate use of its resources;

3. *Invites* the regional commissions to keep the Board of Trustees of the Institute informed about their most recent activities and future programmes, in order to facilitate continuous co-operation between them and the Institute;

4. *Renews its appeal* to Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other potential donors to contribute to the Trust Fund for the Institute.

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1986/33. Documentation of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities

The Economic and Social Council,

⁵⁶E/1986/39.

1. *Requests* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities henceforth to submit to the Commission on Human Rights, after a thorough examination, the studies and reports prepared by the Special Rapporteurs of the Sub-Commission with a brief written introductory statement by the Special Rapporteur, and to discontinue the practice of requesting Special Rapporteurs to introduce their reports personally to the Commission;

2. *Further requests* the Sub-Commission to adhere strictly to the guidelines governing the limitation of documents and to ensure that Special Rapporteurs responsible for preparing reports and studies are brief and concise and that their reports and studies, as far as possible, do not exceed thirty-two pages;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to member States or organizations concerned only those resolutions or decisions of the Commission or the Sub-Commission which require specific responses on their part;

4. *Decides* that henceforth studies prepared by Special Rapporteurs of the Sub-Commission shall be printed only following an express decision to that effect taken by the Commission and subsequently by the Council, which should have an opportunity to study the relevant financial implications.

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1986/34. Study of the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations

The Economic and Social Council,

Mindful of its resolution 1982/34 of 7 May 1982, by which it authorized the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to establish annually a pre-session working group on indigenous populations to review developments pertaining to the promotion and protection of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous populations, giving special attention to the evolution of standards,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 40/131 of 13 December 1985, by which the Assembly decided to establish the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations with a view to securing a broad geographical representation of indigenous organizations in the future work of the Working Group,

Convinced of the need for the widest possible exchange of views in this field among Governments, specialized agencies, organizations of indigenous peoples and other non-governmental organizations,

Decides that the Working Group on Indigenous Populations shall meet for up to eight working days before the annual sessions of the Sub-Commission, the first three working days to be devoted to unserviced meetings for the purpose of the preliminary drafting of international standards.

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1986/35. Procedure for the election of members of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities

The Economic and Social Council,