

tions for a regional action programme may be made, in accordance with resolution 47/10 of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;

3. *Urges* all appropriate international organizations, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, to contribute effectively to the formulation and implementation of a regional action programme for the second quinquennium of the Decade;

4. *Requests* the Executive Secretaries of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to promote intergovernmental and inter-agency coordination and cooperation at the regional and subregional levels in the formulation and implementation of a regional action programme for the second quinquennium of the Decade;

5. *Invites* all Governments, in particular those of the donor countries and others in a position to do so, to contribute and participate effectively in the implementation of a regional action programme for achieving the objectives of the Decade;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Economic and Social Council at its regular session of 1992 and every two years thereafter until the end of the Decade a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### **1991/76. Promotion of interregional cooperation in the area of international trade facilitation**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1989/118 of 28 July 1989, in which it invited the regional commissions to formulate, jointly with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, a draft proposal for interregional cooperation for the facilitation of international trade, and in particular the phased application of the Rules for Electronic Data Interchange for Administration, Commerce and Transport (EDIFACT),

*Noting* the support expressed by the regional commissions for the project, including relevant resolutions and decisions,<sup>79</sup>

<sup>79</sup> Resolution 693 (XXV) of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa (see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1990, Supplement No. 13 (E/1990/42)*, chap. IV); decisions L (44) and J (45) of the Economic Commission for Europe (see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1989, Supplement No. 15 (E/1989/34)*, chap. IV, and *ibid.*, 1990, *Supplement No. 12 (E/1990/41)*, chap. IV); resolution 47/11 of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1991, Supplement No. 14 (E/1991/35)*, chap. IV); see also the report of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (*Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1990, Supplement No. 14 (E/1990/43)*, annex 2, paras. 128-131).

*Recalling* its resolution 1990/74 of 27 July 1990,

*Conscious* of the need for coordinated action at the global level to ensure the effective promotion of international trade facilitation,

*Aware* that elaboration and implementation of the project would require extrabudgetary resources,

1. *Requests* the regional commissions, jointly with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to elaborate specific projects relating to interregional cooperation on international trade facilitation and submit them to bilateral donors and funding organizations;

2. *Invites* all States to support these initiatives;

3. *Requests* the United Nations Development Programme and other funding organizations to consider favourably the specific projects submitted by the regional commissions and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

4. *Requests* bilateral donors to consider extending appropriate financial and expert assistance in the implementation of the projects.

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#### **1991/77. Revision of the General Regulations of the World Food Programme and enlargement of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes of the World Food Programme**

*The Economic and Social Council*

*Recommends* to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

*“The General Assembly,*

*“Recalling* its resolutions 1714 (XVI) of 19 December 1961, 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and 3404 (XXX) of 28 November 1975 concerning the establishment and continuation of the United Nations/FAO World Food Programme,

*“Recalling also* its decision 44/414 of 22 November 1989, its resolution 45/218 of 21 December 1990 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1990/79 of 27 July 1990 relating to the review of the governance of the World Food Programme,

*“Having considered* Economic and Social Council decision 1991/298 of 26 July 1991, adopted on the recommendation of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes of the World Food Programme, concerning the governance of the Programme and its relationship with the United Nations and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

*“1. Decides*, subject to the concurrence of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, that the membership of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes shall be increased from thirty to forty-two by the ad-