Having considered the report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on its seventh session,²

Recognizing the important role of the Institute in monitoring new trends and issues related to women and developmental policy design,

Recognizing also 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 seventh session and of the decisions contained therein;
- 2. Expresses its satisfaction at the significance and scope of the work done by the Institute during 1986, particularly in the areas of statistics and indicators relating to the measurement of women's income and their participation and production in the informal sector of the economy and in the elaboration of innovative methodologies for the training of women for development;
- Recommends that, with a view to the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women³ and the proposed system-wide medium-term plan for women and development, the Institute accord particular attention to the elaboration of special methodologies promoting broad-based approaches for programmes and projects on women and development and to the evaluation of their effects;
- 4. Calls for greater co-operation in the form of joint activities between the Institute and the regional commissions, in accordance with regional needs and priorities and on the basis of equitable cost-sharing, in view of the general scarcity of financial resources, as recommended by the Board at its seventh session;28
- 5. Renews its appeal to Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and other potential donors to contribute to the United Nations Trust Fund for the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

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Observance of the tenth anniversary of the 1987/26. United Nations Development Fund for Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/133 of 16 December 1976, establishing the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women and setting forth the criteria and arrangements for its management,

Recognizing the dual priorities set forth for the United Nations Development Fund for Women in General Assembly resolution 39/125 of 14 December 1984, namely, to serve as a catalyst in the entire United Nations development co-operation system with the goal of ensuring the appropriate involvement of women in mainstream development activities at the pre-investment stage, and to support activities directly benefiting women in line with national and regional priorities,

Recognizing also the achievements of the Fund during its first operational decade and its response to the priori-

ties of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,3 including its new directions based on a programming approach and substantive priority areas of work, with emphasis on the strengthening of national human and institutional capacities to effect the appropriate involvement of women in mainstream development efforts.

- 1. Recommends to the General Assembly that it observe, at its forty-second session, during one of its regular meetings, the tenth anniversary of the operational activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women;
- 2. Invites non-governmental organizations, including national committees, also to observe the anniversary of the Fund:
- Urges Member States to pledge contributions to the Fund at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities to be held in November 1987.

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1987/27. Preparation of an international convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of General Assembly resolution 39/141 of 14 December 1984, in which the Commission on Narcotic Drugs was requested to initiate, as a matter of priority, the preparation of a draft convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs,

Taking note also of General Assembly resolutions 33/ 168 of 20 December 1978, 35/195 of 15 December 1980, 36/132 of 14 December 1981, 36/168 of 16 December 1981, 37/168 of 17 December 1982, 37/198 of 18 December 1982, 38/93 and 38/122 of 16 December 1983, 39/143 of 14 December 1984, and 40/ 120, 40/121 and 40/122 of 13 December 1985,

Recalling the Declaration on the Control of Drug Trafficking and Drug Abuse,²⁹ in which it is stated, inter alia, that the eradication of trafficking in narcotic drugs is the collective responsibility of all States and that States shall utilize the legal instruments against the illicit production of and demand for, abuse of and illicit traffic in drugs and adopt additional measures to counter the new manifestations of this crime,

Recalling also Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 1 (S-IX) of 14 February 1986 on guidance on the drafting of an international convention to combat drug trafficking,30 by which the Secretary-General was requested to compile comments and/or textual changes received from Governments and to circulate them for consideration at the thirty-second session of the Commission, so that the Commission might give direction on the further development of the draft convention,

Considering General Assembly resolution 41/126 of 4 December 1986, by which the Commission, through the Economic and Social Council, was requested to continue, at its thirty-second session, its work on the preparation of the draft convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in the most expeditious manner, so that it might be effective and widely acceptable and enter into force at the earliest possible time,

²⁷ E/1987/44.

²⁸ Ibid., para. 23.

²⁹ General Assembly resolution 39/142, annex.

¹⁰ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1986, Supplement No. 3 (E/1986/23), chap. X

Bearing in mind the Quito Declaration against Traffic in Narcotic Drugs of 11 August 1984,³¹ the New York Declaration against Drug Trafficking and the Illicit Use of Drugs of 1 October 1984,³² and the Lima Declaration of 29 July 1985,³³ in which profound alarm was expressed at the seriousness of the problem,

- 1. Expresses its thanks to the Secretary-General for the efficient way in which he dealt with the request made in paragraph 4 of Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 1 (S-IX);
- 2. Also expresses its thanks to the States that responded to the appeal made in paragraph 5 of Commission resolution 1 (S-IX) to submit their comments on the draft convention or proposals for textual changes thereto;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a working document that would consolidate the draft prepared by the Secretary-General in response to paragraph 4 of Commission resolution 1 (S-IX), the comments made by Governments³⁴ as well as the comments made by States participating in the thirty-second session of the Commission, and information on the results of the session and the working group, established by the Commission to examine article 1 of the draft convention, and to circulate that document to States by 1 May 1987; the document should also include a draft preamble, a section on the implementation mechanism and draft final provisions;
- 4. Decides to establish an open-ended intergovernmental expert group to meet in 1987, twice if necessary (perhaps in July and October), each session lasting one to two weeks, within available resources, to review the working document, to reach agreement on the articles of the draft convention, wherever possible, and to prepare a revised working document;
- 5. Invites all interested States to submit any comments on and/or textual changes to the working document to be circulated for consideration at the meetings of the expert group;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to inform the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, to be held at Vienna in June 1987, on the progress made in the preparation of the draft convention;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to distribute to States, by 1 November 1987, the revised draft prepared by the expert group, for review;
- 8. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the next session of the Commission on the results of the meetings of the expert group and to provide any comments from Governments on the revised draft;
- 9. Requests the Commission, at its next session, to consider the report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved by the expert group and the comments from Governments on the work of the group, and to make recommendations on the steps to be followed in the further elaboration of the draft convention, including the possibility of convening a plenipotentiary conference in 1988 to adopt it;
- 10. Requests the Secretary-General to allocate sufficient funds from the programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 for the expert group to meet; if necessary, the Secretary-General should seek to provide the

funding from voluntary contributions or from the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989;

11. Further requests the Secretary-General to make provisions for the convening of a plenipotentiary conference during the biennium 1988-1989.

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1987/28. Education and information on drug abuse and illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting with great concern the continued massive abuse of narcotic drugs in most parts of the world, and its harmful effect, particularly on youth,

Aware of the urgent need to protect society from the harm caused by abuse of narcotic drugs,

Emphasizing the need to take effective measures to reduce the demand for illicit narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

Recognizing that in some cases information made available about narcotic drugs and drug abuse gives a result that is the opposite of the one desired, evoking undesirable curiosity, and leading to young people experimenting with drugs,

- 1. Calls upon States to make every effort to ensure that preventive educational work in respect of narcotic drugs and drug abuse is carried out by persons with appropriate training and skills, taking into account the particular needs of groups of people of similar age, skills and psychological characteristics who are at particular risk of abuse of drugs;
- 2. Urges Governments to encourage efforts to ensure that preventive information does not involve elements that evoke curiosity or the desire to experiment with narcotic drugs, such as detailed descriptions of euphoria, but clearly indicates the negative, harmful consequences of drug abuse and emphasizes the positive effects of alternative activities and a life-style free from narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;
- 3. Recommends that Governments ensure that preventive information does not contain details that might facilitate access to illicit drugs, such as detailed descriptions of methods and routes of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs, places of origin of illicit production and non-medical uses of narcotic drugs;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to Governments, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations for their consideration and corresponding action;
- 5. Requests Governments to inform the Secretary-General of their experience, so that draft special methodological guidelines for a preventive public information programme on the evils of drug abuse may be compiled for consideration and adoption by the Commission on Narcotic drugs.

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1987/29. Role of the drug control bodies of the United Nations at Vienna

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 40/122 of 13 December 1985, by which the Assembly decided to con-

³¹ A/39/407, annex.

³² A/39/551 and Corr.1 and 2, annex.

³³ A/40/544, annex.

³⁴ E/CN.7/1987/2 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1.3 and Add.2 and Add.2/Corr.1.