Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year¹²⁷ and of progress made under the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 128

Reaffirming Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/28 of 5 May 1978, in which the Council, inter alia, recommended an integration of the reporting systems outlined in the aforementioned resolutions,

Recognizing the importance of such reports for the review of the progress achieved in the promotion of the full equality of women with men in all spheres of

Noting with concern that the responses received to the requests for information on the basis of the aforementioned resolutions have been insufficient in number and also often overlap in their coverage, as shown in the reports submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session, 129

Underlining the desirability that all Member States should submit such reports,

Bearing in mind the burden placed upon Governments when complying separately with the requests in the aforementioned resolutions,

Convinced that there is a need for rationalization of the reporting systems referred to in the first and second preambular paragraphs above,

- Decides to integrate the reporting systems outlined in the aforementioned resolutions into a single system and to review the new reporting system in the light of further developments;
- Requests the Secretary-General to review in order to simplify, if possible, the contents of the questionnaires forwarded to Member States, United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, in the context of the integrated reporting system, paying particular attention to regional requirements by selecting evaluation criteria which take account of regional disparities;
- Urges Member States, when preparing their reports, to make use of national machinery established to promote the advancement of women and of the views of the appropriate national non-governmental organizations;
- Further requests that the Secretary-General, in compiling reports based on governmental replies on the progress achieved in the improvement of the status of women, provide analytical comments on obstacles encountered and policies for future action, including, if possible, comparative surveys on development within each region.

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33/187. International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 31/135 of 16 December 1976 and 32/137 of 16 December 1977 concern-

127 Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Mexico, 19 June-2 July 1975 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A. ing the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General¹³⁰ submitted in application of Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/25 of 5 May 1978 and the preparations made by the Secretariat towards the establishment of the Institute at the administrative, substantive and financial levels,

Noting the results achieved by the 1978 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, held at Headquarters on 7 November 1978, as regards the Institute,

- 1. Expresses its thanks to the Secretary-General for the efforts made towards the establishment of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women;
- Requests the Secretary-General to continue actively the necessary consultations concerning the agreement with the host country;
- Requests the Secretary-General to proceed with the appointment of the Director and the members of the Board of Trustees of the Institute;
- Decides that, as soon as the members of the Board of Trustees are appointed, the Institute should start functioning as a body of the United Nations financed through voluntary contributions with the degree of autonomy necessary to ensure its efficient operation;
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to undertake and pursue all appropriate initiatives to attract voluntary contributions to finance the operations of the Institute;
- Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1979 a report on the implementation of the present resolution, including a proposed programme of operations for the first two years together with the outline of a budget for the same period;
- Further requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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33/188. Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/133 of 16 December 1976 containing the criteria and arrangements for the management of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women,

Recalling also its resolution 32/141 of 16 December 1977, in which the Secretary-General was requested to report annually on the management of the Fund and to submit periodically to the General Assembly progress reports on the execution of projects financed by the Fund,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Fund, 131

¹²⁸ Resolution 2626 (XXV). 129 A/32/216 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2; E/CN.6/611.

 $^{^{130}}$ A/33/316; see also A/C.5/33/34. 131 A/33/198 and Add.1/Rev.1 and Add.2 and Corr.1.