

33/161. Conversion of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency

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,

Recalling also in this context the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation,¹⁵⁹ adopted at the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, held at Lima from 12 to 26 March 1975, particularly section V of the Plan of Action on the institutional arrangements thereof,

Further recalling that the General Assembly in its resolution 3362 (S-VII) endorsed the conversion of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency and reiterated that endorsement in its resolutions 31/161 of 21 December 1976 and 32/167 of 19 December 1977,

Emphasizing that the conversion of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency would serve to reinforce the role and capacity of that organization in promoting the industrialization of developing countries as well as international industrial co-operation,

Regretting that, despite the progress made at the United Nations Conference on the Establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a Specialized Agency, held at United Nations Headquarters from 21 February to 11 March 1978, the Conference was unable to reach agreement, although the decision to convert the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency had been taken over three years ago,

Taking note of the report of the United Nations Conference on the Establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a Specialized Agency¹⁶⁰ as well as the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the Conference,¹⁶¹

1. *Reaffirms* the urgent need to convert the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency so as to extend the scope and functions of the organization to play the central co-ordinating role in the field of industrial development within the United Nations system, enhance its autonomy, increase its ability to render assistance to developing countries in the most efficient way and improve its operational efficiency and effectiveness;

2. *Decides* to convene a conference of plenipotentiaries at Vienna for a period of two weeks or, if necessary, three weeks, within the period from 19 March to 12 April 1979, in order to finalize and adopt the constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a specialized agency;

¹⁵⁹ See A/10112, chap. IV

¹⁶⁰ A/CONF.90/12.

¹⁶¹ A/33/239.

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements for the conference in accordance with paragraphs 2 to 5 of General Assembly resolution 32/167.

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33/192. United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development¹⁶²

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, and 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling further section III, paragraph 7, of its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, in which it decided that a United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development would be held in 1978 or 1979,

Recalling its resolutions 31/184 of 21 December 1976, 32/115 of 15 December 1977 and 32/184 of 19 December 1977,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolutions 2028 (LXI) and 2035 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 and 1978/70 of 4 August 1978,

Taking note of the report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development¹⁶³ on the work of its second session,

Taking note also of the progress report of the Secretary-General¹⁶⁴ on the preparations for the Conference, including its annex, as well as of the draft outline of the programme of action,¹⁶⁵

Having in mind the recommendation of the Preparatory Committee concerning the date of the convening of the Conference,¹⁶⁶

1. *Decides* that the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development will be held at Vienna from 20 to 31 August 1979;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the Conference to prepare for consideration by the Preparatory Committee at its third session:

(a) An up-to-date draft outline of the programme of action¹⁶⁷ consolidating recommendations put forward by Governments at the national and regional levels by incorporating those which have not yet been included;

(b) A preliminary draft programme of action¹⁶⁸ containing, on the basis of an analysis of the information contained in the document mentioned in subparagraph (a) above, a theoretical and conceptual framework and recommendations for concrete measures for

¹⁶² See also sect. X.B.4, decision 33/447.

¹⁶³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Supplement No. 43 (A/33/43 and Corr.1).*

¹⁶⁴ A/33/298.

¹⁶⁵ A/33/303 and Add.1 and 2.

¹⁶⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Supplement No. 43 (A/33/43 and Corr.1), para. 77.*

¹⁶⁷ A/33/303/Rev.1 and A/33/303/Add.1 and 2.

¹⁶⁸ A/CONF.81/PC.21.