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1987/65. Strengthening the work of the United Nations in integrating women effectively in economic development programmes and activities

The Economic and Social Council,

Aware of its central role in co-ordinating the activities of United Nations organizations and programmes to integrate women in economic development,

Recalling paragraph 338 of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,¹ in which the Economic and Social Council is encouraged to play a more forceful and dynamic role in reviewing and co-ordinating all activities of the United Nations system relevant to women's issues,

Aware of the continued importance of the inter-relatedness of the objectives of the United Nations Decade for Women—equality, development and peace,

1. *Takes note* of the information contained in the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the work of the United Nations in integrating women effectively in economic development programmes and activities;²

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, bearing in mind the goals and principles of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women, to prepare for submission to the General Assembly at its forty-second session, on the basis of the information already included in his report, an addendum containing a compilation of all legislative mandates governing the integration of women in economic development, including the appropriate sections of international strategies, plans and programmes of action, in order to assist the General Assembly in assessing their continuing relevance for the work programme of the Commission on the Status of Women, and to identify all sub-programmes and major programmes in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989 which contain activities related to the integration of women in economic development, including regional subprogrammes, as requested by the Economic and Social Council in resolution 1986/65 of 23 July 1986;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to make specific recommendations aimed at enhancing co-

ordination in the implementation of the economic development measures contained in the Forward-looking Strategies, having due regard to the matters set out in paragraph 4 (a), (b) and (c) of its resolution 1986/65 and bearing in mind the proposals relating to co-ordination at the intersecretariat level made in section IV of the report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination in the United Nations and the United Nations system;³

4. *Decides* to consider those questions and, in particular, the activities related to the integration of women in economic development set out in the relevant chapters of the draft medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995 at its second regular session of 1988, in the light of the views expressed at the thirty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women.

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1987/66. Integration of women in development in Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the findings of the study undertaken by the African Training and Research Centre for Women on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,

Considering the importance of planning women's activities within the United Nations and of relating such planning to women and development system-wide through the medium-term plan,

Taking note of resolution 579 (XXI) of 19 April 1986 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa on women and development in Africa,⁴

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 38/106 of 16 December 1983 on the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women and 39/127 of 14 December 1984 on senior women's programme officers posts at the regional commissions, by which the Assembly called for some positions to integrate women in development to be funded from the regular budgets of the regional commissions after 1985, the end of the

¹ *Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

² A/42/273-E/1987/74.

³ A/42/232-E/1987/68.

⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1986, Supplement No. 12 (E/1986/33)*, chap. IV.

United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace,

Noting the recommendations made by the meetings of the subregional committees for the integration of women in development,

Bearing in mind the recommendations contained in Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990,⁵ and the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990,⁶

1. *Recommends* those States which have not yet done so to consider acceding to and implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women,⁷ in particular those parts which have to do with education, employment and political and economic activities, and urges women themselves to co-operate with their Governments in publicizing the Convention and including it in educational programmes;

2. *Notes* the study on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the recommendations of that study;

3. *Supports* the planning of activities for the integration of women in development taking place within the United Nations system;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make every effort to ensure that sufficient expertise is made available to the Economic Commission for Africa for the implementation of the work programme of regional and subregional machinery for the integration of women in development and that posts within the regular budget of the Commission are reassigned to that important function;

5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa to ensure that projects related to the integration of women in development are devised in consultation and co-ordination with the councils of ministers or plenipotentiaries of the Multinational Programming and Operational Centres of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Africa Regional Coordinating Committee for the Integration of Women in Development.

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1987/67. International year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Deeply concerned at the critical food and agricultural situation in Africa during the past two decades, as evidenced by the drastic decline in self-reliance in food,

Aware, however, of the improvement in the food situation in some countries during the past two years, owing to the improved weather conditions and policy measures taken in those countries,

Convinced of the need to rehabilitate African agriculture, especially by strengthening the foundation for sound development of the food sector,

Noting the success in food production achieved by some countries and hoping to eliminate hunger from the African continent totally and as soon as possible,

Recalling the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990,⁸ adopted by the General Assembly at its thirteenth special session, which accords high priority to the food and agricultural sector, as envisaged in Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990,⁹ adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its twenty-first ordinary session,

Recognizing the critical need for sufficient financial resources to foster the growth of the agricultural sector in Africa,

Recognizing also that the technological gap in Africa is directly related to declining agricultural productivity, which is aggravated by natural factors such as drought, desertification, floods and cyclones,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the international year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa,¹⁰

Recognizing that the General Assembly, in its resolution 38/198 of 20 December 1983, noted that the year 1991 might be designated international year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa, bearing in mind the relevant criteria set forth in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980,

1. *Reaffirms* the individual and collective commitment of African Governments and the international community to the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990, with its focus on food and agriculture, as envisaged in Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990;

2. *Requests* the Economic Commission for Africa, in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to take all necessary measures to facilitate and ensure effective co-operation among national and subregional research institutions in Africa;

3. *Calls upon* the international community to give high priority to the agricultural sector in Africa, in par-

⁵ A/40/666, annex I, declaration AHG/Decl.1 (XXI), annex.

⁶ General Assembly resolution S-13/2, annex.

⁷ General Assembly resolution 34/180, annex.

⁸ General Assembly resolution S-13/2, annex.

⁹ A/40/666, annex I, declaration AHG/Decl.1 (XXI), annex.

¹⁰ A/42/310-E/1987/88.

particular to agricultural research and the development of technology;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consider making concrete proposals to the General Assembly that would be relevant to the international year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa.

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1987/68. Human and financial resources: vacancies in the secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1984/81 of 27 July 1984 on staff and administrative questions of the Economic Commission for Western Asia¹¹ and 1986/59 of 22 July 1986 on the financial status of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,

Having considered Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia resolution 161 (XIV) of 5 April 1987, entitled "Human and financial resources: vacancies in the secretariat",¹²

Noting with concern that General Assembly resolution 39/243 of 18 December 1984 on staff and administrative questions of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia has not yet been fully implemented,

Noting the concern expressed by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its twenty-seventh session that the vacancy rate in the Commission remains inordinately high and has adversely affected implementation of the activities of the Commission,¹³

Noting the concern of the States members of the Commission, in view of the unique situation of the Commission, about the serious shortage of the human resources that are a basic necessity if it is to carry out its mandated programme of activities, especially since the Commission, in adopting its budget, has already undertaken to cancel thirty subprogrammes because of the lack of financial and human resources,

Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to enable the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to meet its personnel requirements, as authorized by the General Assembly in its resolution 39/243.

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¹¹ The Economic Commission for Western Asia was redesignated the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia by Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/69.

¹² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 15 (E/1987/35)*, sect. IV.

¹³ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16)*, part one, para. 142.

1987/69. Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1982/57 of 30 July 1982, 1983/62 of 29 July 1983, 1984/75 of 30 July 1984 and 1985/70 of 26 July 1985,

Referring to the conclusions contained in the interim report prepared in compliance with those resolutions by the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on the development of studies relating to the project for a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar,¹⁴

Welcoming the co-operation on the project between the Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic Commission for Europe, the Governments of Morocco and Spain and centres for transport studies in the Mediterranean region,

Conscious of the importance of the project for the development of transport in the region and the consolidation of North-South relations,

Conscious also of the implications of the project for the promotion of scientific and technological research throughout the world,

1. *Invites* the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic Commission for Africa to co-operate with the Governments of Morocco and Spain in establishing groups consisting of research institutes, industrial companies, construction enterprises and financial institutions to follow up and develop project studies;

2. *Invites* the countries concerned to co-operate with the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic Commission for Africa with a view to integrating the project better in land transport networks in the Mediterranean region;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe:

(a) To allocate as far as possible the resources necessary for the evaluation of studies and work relating to the project, with due consideration to the programme of work of the Economic Commission for Europe for 1988-1989;

(b) To submit to the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1989, an interim report on the progress of studies and work relating to the project carried out in co-operation with the competent non-governmental organizations.

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¹⁴ E/1987/46.

1987/70. Industrial Development Decade for Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of resolution 1 (VII) of the Seventh Conference of African Ministers of Industry on the implementation of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa, held at Addis Ababa from 26 to 28 March 1984,¹⁵

Recalling resolution 8 adopted on 19 August 1984 by the Fourth General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization¹⁶ and Industrial Development Board resolution 57 (XVIII) of 19 May 1984,¹⁷

Taking note of the Lagos Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the Economic Development of Africa¹⁸ and the Final Act of Lagos,¹⁹ as well as resolution 442 (XVII) of 30 April 1982 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa²⁰ and General Assembly resolution 35/66 B of 5 December 1980, both concerning the formulation and implementation of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Noting with regret that the allocation of \$8.6 million for the Decade in the programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization was reduced to \$2.7 million in view of resource constraints, and concerned about the financial constraints being experienced by that organization and the Economic Commission for Africa, which make the implementation of their Decade-related activities difficult,

Taking note of resolution CM/Res.1047 (XLIV) adopted by the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its forty-fourth ordinary session²¹ and resolution 564 (XXI) of 19 April 1986 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa,²²

Taking into consideration the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990,²³ adopted by the General Assembly at its thirteenth special session, in which the socio-economic problems of Africa were reviewed critically and specific measures for restructuring and rehabilitating the economies of African countries were presented,

Recognizing the crucial role that the industrial sector, as a supplier of major factor inputs, has to play in

¹⁵ See E/ECA/CM.10/27.

¹⁶ See ID/CONF.5/46 and Corr.1, chap. II, sect. B.

¹⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/39/16)*, annex I.

¹⁸ A/S-11/14, annex I.

¹⁹ *Ibid.*, annex II.

²⁰ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 11 (E/1982/21)*, chap. V.

²¹ See A/41/654, annex I.

²² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1986, Supplement No. 12 (E/1986/33)*, chap. IV.

²³ General Assembly resolution S-13/2, annex.

Africa's economic recovery and development, within the context of the programme for the Decade, as emphasized in Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990,²⁴ and the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990,

Mindful of the fundamentally important link between industry and agriculture in Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990, and of the vital contribution which the implementation of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa would make to food production and the rehabilitation of agriculture in Africa,

Reiterating the commitment of the region to transform, through the process of industrialization, the structure of its economies, which are currently overly dependent on the export of primary commodities,

Concerned at the persistent economic crisis facing the continent and the serious constraints that hamper the industrial development of the region, including the shortage of the skills, technological capability and financial resources required and the lack of a well-integrated network of strategic and core industries necessary for the implementation of the programme for the Decade,

Welcoming the conversion of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization into a specialized agency and the decision to convene the second session of the General Conference of that organization at Bangkok in November 1987,

Stressing the need to provide the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Economic Commission for Africa with adequate resources to support the programme for the Decade,

1. *Urges* Member States, African and international organizations and the secretariats of the Economic Commission for Africa, the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to intensify their efforts to accelerate implementation of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa during the remaining four years of the Decade;

2. *Reiterates* the importance and priority which African countries accord to the industrial sector in view of its fundamental role in the implementation of Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986-1990, and the full attainment of the objectives of the Lagos Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the Economic Development of Africa and the Final Act of Lagos;

3. *Appeals* to the General Assembly to consider the possibility of providing the Economic Commission for Africa with adequate financial resources to enable it to carry out its activities related to the programme for the Decade, in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1985/61 of 26 July 1985 and 1986/63 of

²⁴ A/40/666, annex I, declaration AHG/Decl.1 (XXI), annex.

22 July 1986 and the relevant recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its twenty-seventh session;²⁵

4. *Notes* the approval by the Industrial Development Board of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization of the programme budget for the biennium 1988-1989, from which \$8.6 million were allocated for the Decade, and expresses the hope that the General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization will confirm the allocation when it adopts the programme budget;

5. *Appeals* to the international community and multilateral funding agencies, especially the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and the African Development Bank, as well as bilateral and multilateral donor agencies, financing institutions and development foundations, to increase the flow of investment and technical assistance resources to the industrial sector in Africa to make it possible to implement national and subregional investments and support projects and to facilitate the implementation of the programme for the Decade;

6. *Proposes* that Member States, subregional and regional organizations and other international organizations should endeavour to ensure that the regional indicative planning figure for the fourth programming cycle contributes substantially to the accelerated implementation of Decade-related activities;

7. *Calls* for an independent mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the programme for the Decade as proposed at the Sixth Conference of African Ministers of Industry in resolution I (VI),²⁶ and invites the United Nations Development Programme to consider financing that evaluation and to participate in its implementation in collaboration with the secretariats of the Economic Commission for Africa, the Organization of African Unity, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and other relevant international bodies;

8. *Urges* the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the African Development Bank and other African and international financial institutions to increase the use of African non-governmental organizations and consultancy organizations, as appropriate, in the preparation and execution of the projects they finance in Africa;

9. *Appeals* to donor countries, financial institutions and relevant international organizations, especially the United Nations Development Programme, to provide the necessary catalytic resources to African Governments, subregional and regional institutions and economic groupings dealing with industrial matters so as to facilitate arrangements for economic and technical co-operation among developing countries, which will assist in the implementation of the programme for the Decade;

10. *Endorses* the new orientation being given to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a result of its conversion into a specialized agency, thus enhancing its central co-ordinating role within the United Nations system on matters related to industry, in particular the priority being accorded to technical co-operation activities, development of industrial manpower, the system of consultations, small-scale and medium-scale industries, industrial rehabilitation, investment promotion, development of technological capabilities, technical co-operation among developing countries, greater involvement of non-governmental organizations and the private sector, and the integration of women in the industrialization process;

11. *Takes note* of the intention of the African countries to proclaim an Africa Industrialization Day, which would be observed each year by all African countries;

12. *Recommends* that, after appropriate evaluation of the Industrial Development Decade for Africa, the proclamation of a second such decade should be considered in order to accelerate further the industrialization of Africa, and requests the secretariats of the Economic Commission for Africa, the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to undertake, in consultation with Member States, African organizations and the competent United Nations organizations, the preparation of a programme for a second decade, to be submitted to the Conference of African Ministers of Industry.

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1987/71. Work programme in the field of population

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3344 (XXIX) and 3345 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, concerning the recommendations of the World Population Conference, and 39/228 of 18 December 1984 on the International Conference on Population,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 1981/28 of 6 May 1981 on the strengthening of actions concerned with the fulfilment of the World Population Plan of Action, 1985/3 on population structure, 1985/4 on the implications of the recommendations of the International Conference on Population, 1985/5 on the work programme in the field of population and 1985/6 on the status and role of women and population, all of 28 May 1985, and 1986/7 of 21 May 1986 on population questions,

Stressing the supportive role of the work programmes of the United Nations system in the field of population in the attainment of the goals and objectives of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade²⁷ and the pursuit of goals of economic co-operation,

²⁵ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16)*, part one.

²⁶ See E/ECA/CM.8/2.

²⁷ General Assembly resolution 35/56, annex.

Having reviewed the preamble, the section on peace, security and population, and the other sections of the recommendations for the further implementation of the World Population Plan of Action adopted by the International Conference on Population,²⁸ at which it was reaffirmed that the principles and objectives of the World Population Plan of Action remained fully valid and that creating conditions for international peace and security was of great importance for the achievement of the goals of population policies and economic and social development and at which emphasis was placed on a number of issues in the field of population that should continue to be included in the work programme, as appropriate,

Reaffirming the important role of the Population Commission as the advisory body of the Economic and Social Council on population matters,

Taking note of the report of the Population Commission on its twenty-fourth session²⁹ and the views expressed therein on the progress made in implementing the work programme for the biennium 1986-1987 and the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the progress made in implementing the work programme for the biennium 1986-1987 and the medium-term plan for the period 1984-1989;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to formulate the medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995 taking into account, as appropriate, the views expressed at the twenty-fourth session of the Population Commission and, *inter alia*, the guidelines for the work programmes of the United Nations Secretariat contained in paragraphs 3 and 4 below;

3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue vigorously the monitoring of world population trends and policies and to prepare the review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action;

(b) To continue the work programmes on the following:

- (i) Socio-economic development and population;
- (ii) Interrelationships between the status and role of women and population;
- (iii) Population policies, including the Sixth Population Policy Inquiry among Governments;
- (iv) Analytical studies with respect to demographic target-setting;
- (v) Estimates and projections of population;
- (vi) Mortality analysis;
- (vii) Fertility and family planning;
- (viii) Urbanization and internal and international migration;

²⁸ *Report of the International Conference on Population, 1984, Mexico City, 6-14 August 1984* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.XIII.8 and corrigenda), chap. I, sect. B.

²⁹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 3 (E/1987/16)*.

(ix) Consequences of changes in population and household structure;

(x) Development of the Population Information Network (POPIN), including information services on available software;

(c) To continue to work closely with Member States, other organizations of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as appropriate, in the implementation of programmes;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue and to strengthen interdisciplinary technical co-operation activities in the field of population in the following areas:

(i) Training in demography and population-and-development matters, including short-term specialized training, particularly in the use of microcomputer programs;

(ii) Evaluation and analysis of basic population data, particularly with respect to the 1990 round of population censuses, use of computer programs, and dissemination of data and their utilization in national development planning;

(iii) Formulation of population policy and its integration in development planning, especially through the strengthening of national institutional mechanisms for research, in-service training and documentation;

(b) To continue to analyse, evaluate and publish studies on experience with technical co-operation activities in population;

5. *Re-emphasizes* the importance of maintaining the scope, effectiveness and efficiency of the global population programme and of continuing to strengthen co-ordination and collaboration among the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs, the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, the regional commissions, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and other organizations of the United Nations system in the planning and execution of their population programmes, as well as the need for organizations of the United Nations system to strengthen collaboration and co-ordination, as appropriate, with other intergovernmental, non-governmental and national organizations concerned.

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1987/72. Follow-up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 39/228 of 18 December 1984,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolutions 3 (III) of 3 October 1946, 1985/4 and 1985/5 of 28 May 1985 and 1986/7 of 21 May 1986,

Having considered the report of the Population Commission on its twenty-fourth session³⁰ and the reports of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations system in the field of population³¹ and on the monitoring of multilateral population assistance,³²

Reaffirming the need to bring about a co-ordinated, effective and efficient strategy for the United Nations and the United Nations system in addressing population issues,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, on a regular basis, reports on the activities of the United Nations system in the field of population, on the work of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action³³ and on the monitoring of multilateral population assistance;

2. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities to continue to submit to the Population Commission, on a regular basis, reports on the activities of the Fund;

3. *Invites* the Population Commission to review those reports, within its competence, and to transmit its views to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular sessions;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to enhance the coherence and harmonization of populations activities in the United Nations system and increase the effectiveness of the work of organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in the field of population, to take the necessary steps to enable the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to review on a regular basis population activities and programmes within the United Nations system;

5. *Invites* the Secretary-General, with a view to securing balanced representation in the Population Commission of the various areas of technical and substantive expertise in the fields of population studies and population assistance, to consult with the Governments of the States members of the Commission, in conformity with paragraph 3 of Council resolution 3 (III) and the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council,³⁴ before representatives are finally nominated by those Governments and confirmed by the Council.

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³⁰ *Ibid.*

³¹ E/1987/4.

³² E/1987/5.

³³ *Report of the International Conference on Population, 1984, Mexico City, 6-14 August 1984* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.84.XIII.8 and corrigenda), chap. I, sect. B.

³⁴ E/5975/Rev.1 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.I.10).

1987/73. Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Somalia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/192 of 8 December 1986 on special programmes of economic assistance,

Deeply concerned that drought is again threatening life and causing serious loss of livestock and property in Somalia,

Bearing in mind that the Government of Somalia estimates that 1.6 million people, including 700,000 children, are affected by the drought and that 800 people have died,

Noting that on 29 April 1987 the Government of Somalia appealed for emergency assistance and has taken steps to co-ordinate, together with the United Nations and the donor community, the relief efforts, including the establishment on 30 April 1987 of a drought action committee,

Aware of the relief needs as set out in the information report of 5 May 1987 of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator,

1. *Commends* the strenuous efforts of the Government of Somalia to alleviate the hardship suffered by the victims of the drought;

2. *Requests* Member States, non-governmental organizations and organizations of the United Nations system to participate in the concerted effort to alleviate the adverse effects of the drought on the population of Somalia;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1988 on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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1987/74. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

The Economic and Social Council,

Referring to General Assembly resolution 41/196 of 8 December 1986 and earlier resolutions of the General Assembly on international assistance for the reconstruction of Lebanon, by which the Assembly requested the specialized agencies and other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to expand and intensify their programmes of assistance in response to the needs of Lebanon,

Recognizing that the present situation in Lebanon, owing to the events that have occurred in that country, the paralysis of economic activities and the increase in the expenses of the State coinciding with the alarming fall in national income, requires emergency assistance,

Appeals to all Member States and the organizations of the United Nations system to continue and intensify their efforts to mobilize all possible assistance to the Government of Lebanon in its efforts for reconstruction and development, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council.

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1987/75. Prevention and control of AIDS

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered World Health Assembly resolution WHA40.26 of 15 May 1987 on a global strategy for the prevention and control of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS),

Deeply concerned to learn that this disease has assumed pandemic proportions affecting all regions and that it represents a serious threat to the attainment of health for all by the year 2000 and to social and economic development in general,

Considering that the international community should do the utmost to prevent the further spread of AIDS, bearing in mind that information is an essential element in the control of AIDS and that every individual has a responsibility,

Realizing that the world-wide emergency created by AIDS will require urgent vigorous globally directed action in prevention, control and research,

1. *Draws the attention* of the General Assembly to World Health Assembly resolution WHA40.26, by which the World Health Assembly endorsed the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS prepared by the World Health Organization;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the World Health Organization for taking the lead in mobilizing the international community to combat the disease;

3. *Calls upon* all States to take active measures to prevent and control AIDS in line with the global strategy;

4. *Urges* all appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, including the specialized agencies, as well as bilateral and multilateral agencies and non-governmental and voluntary organizations, to support the world-wide struggle against AIDS in close co-operation with the World Health Organization in its role of directing and co-ordinating the urgent fight against AIDS and in conformity with the global strategy.

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1987/76. Fortieth anniversary of the World Health Organization, 1988

The Economic and Social Council,

Having heard the statement by the Director-General of the World Health Organization,³⁵

Expressing its appreciation for the important achievements of the World Health Organization in fulfilling its constitutional mandate to direct and co-ordinate international health work,

Noting with satisfaction World Health Assembly resolution WHA40.36 of 15 May 1987 on the fortieth anniversary of the World Health Organization,

1. *Notes* that the World Health Organization intends to celebrate its fortieth anniversary during 1988, in accordance with World Health Assembly resolution WHA40.36;

2. *Notes also* that the World Health Organization will use the occasion of its fortieth anniversary as a global opportunity to inform and mobilize all concerned with a view to achieving the goal of health for all by the year 2000 in an atmosphere of good will, consensus and mutual respect;

3. *Invites* the General Assembly to observe, at its forty-third session, the fortieth anniversary of the World Health Organization in a manner befitting its achievements and future role in international health.

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1987/77. Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/181 of 8 December 1986,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/49 of 22 July 1986,

Recalling further the Programme of Action for the Achievement of Palestinian Rights, adopted by the International Conference on the Question of Palestine,³⁶

Noting the need to provide economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people,

Noting also that the meeting on assistance to the Palestinian people was held at Geneva on 19 June 1987 in response to General Assembly resolution 41/181,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people;³⁷

³⁵ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Plenary Meetings*, vol. II, 31st meeting (E/1987/SR.31).

³⁶ *Report of the International Conference on the Question of Palestine, Geneva, 29 August-7 September 1983* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.I.21), chap. I, sect. B.

³⁷ A/42/289-E/1987/86 and Add.1.

2. *Welcomes* the preparation of the programme of economic and social assistance to the Palestinian people set out in the report of the Secretary-General;³⁸

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to develop the programme and seek its implementation in close co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization and to co-ordinate the activities envisaged by various organizations of the United Nations system within the framework of the programme;

4. *Urges* the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to disburse their aid or any other forms of assistance to the occupied Palestinian territories solely for the benefit of the Palestinian people and in a manner that will not serve to prolong the Israeli occupation;

5. *Requests* the international community, the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to sustain and increase their assistance to the Palestinian people in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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1987/78. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General³⁹ and the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council⁴⁰ concerning the question of the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations,

Having heard the statements of the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid*,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other resolutions adopted by United Nations bodies on this subject, including in particular General Assembly resolution 41/15 of 31 October 1986

³⁸ A/42/289-E/1987/86, annex.

³⁹ A/42/264 and Add.1.

⁴⁰ E/1987/85.

and Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/48 of 22 July 1986,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions S-14/1 of 20 September 1986 and 41/39 of 20 November 1986 on the question of Namibia and resolution 41/35 of 10 November 1986 on the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa,

Deeply concerned that the objectives of the Charter of the United Nations and the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples have not been fully achieved as regards the peoples under colonial and alien domination, particularly those struggling in Namibia and South Africa under the repressive rule of the racist régime of Pretoria,

Reaffirming the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to take all effective measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to assist in the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies,

Noting with deep concern that South Africa continues to present a serious threat to international peace and security owing to its practice of *apartheid*, its illegal occupation of Namibia and its acts of aggression and destabilization against the front-line and neighbouring States,

Strongly condemning the continuing breach by South Africa of the obligations assumed by it under the Charter of the United Nations and its persistent non-compliance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations,

Reaffirming that the denial of full political and civil rights to the majority of the population of South Africa is the result of the continuation of a colonial situation in that country,

Deeply conscious of the continuing critical need of the people of Namibia and their national liberation movement, the South West Africa People's Organization, for concrete assistance from the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations in their struggle for liberation from the illegal occupation of their country by the racist minority régime of South Africa,

Appreciating that progress has been maintained through the continuing efforts of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the extension of assistance to refugees from southern Africa,

Deeply concerned that the action taken thus far by the organizations concerned in the provision of assistance to the people of Namibia is still far from adequate to meet their urgent and growing needs,

Gravely concerned at the continued collaboration of the International Monetary Fund with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of relevant General Assembly resolutions,

Noting with satisfaction the continuing efforts of the United Nations Development Programme in the exten-

sion of assistance to Namibia and the national liberation movements concerned, and commending the initiative taken by that organization in establishing channels for closer, periodic contacts and consultations between the specialized agencies and United Nations institutions and the Organization of African Unity and the national liberation movements in the formulation of assistance programmes,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council and endorses the observations and suggestions contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* that the recognition by the General Assembly, the Security Council and other United Nations organs of the legitimacy of the struggle of colonial peoples to exercise their right to self-determination and independence entails, as a corollary, the extension by the United Nations system of organizations of all the necessary moral and material assistance to the peoples of Namibia and South Africa and their national liberation movements;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have continued to co-operate in varying degrees with the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies, and urges all the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in particular the World Bank, the International Finance Corporation and the International Monetary Fund, to contribute to the full and speedy implementation of the relevant provisions of those resolutions;

4. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in the light of the intensification of the liberation struggle in Namibia, to do everything possible as a matter of urgency to render increased assistance to the people of Namibia, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations Council for Namibia, in particular in connection with the Nationhood Programme for Namibia;

5. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in view of the deteriorating situation in South Africa and the acts of aggression and destabilization by the *apartheid* régime against States in the region, to increase their assistance to the front-line and neighbouring States and to the liberation movements in South Africa;

6. *Also requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to continue to take, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council, all necessary measures to withhold any financial, economic, technical or other assistance from the Government of South Africa until that Government restores to the people of Namibia their inalienable right to self-determination and independence, and to refrain

from taking any action which might imply recognition of, or support for, the illegal occupation of Namibia by that régime;

7. *Further requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council on the policies of *apartheid* of the Government of South Africa, to intensify their support for the oppressed people of South Africa and to take such measures as will totally isolate the *apartheid* régime and mobilize world public opinion against *apartheid*;

8. *Condemns* the persistent non-compliance of the Government of South Africa with United Nations resolutions and decisions, in particular Security Council resolution 435 (1978) of 29 September 1978 containing the United Nations plan for the independence of Namibia, and declares illegal and null and void its installation on 17 June 1985 of a so-called interim Government at Windhoek;

9. *Deeply deplores* the persistent collaboration of the International Monetary Fund with the Government of South Africa, in disregard of repeated General Assembly resolutions to the contrary, and urgently calls upon the Fund to put an end to such collaboration;

10. *Recommends* that a separate item on assistance to national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity should be included in the agenda of future high-level meetings of the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity and the secretariats of the United Nations and other organizations within the United Nations system, with a view to strengthening further the existing measures for co-ordination of action to ensure the best use of available resources for assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories;

11. *Notes with satisfaction* the inclusion of Namibia, represented by the United Nations Council for Namibia, in the membership of various organizations within the United Nations system and urges those which have not yet granted full membership to the United Nations Council for Namibia to do so without delay;

12. *Notes with satisfaction also* the arrangements made by several specialized agencies and United Nations institutions which enable representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity to participate fully as observers in proceedings relating to matters concerning their respective countries, and calls upon those international institutions which have not yet done so to make such arrangements without delay, including arrangements to defray the cost of the participation of those representatives;

13. *Recommends* that all States should intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system of which they are members to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

14. *Urges* those specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system which have not already done so to include in the agenda of the regular meetings of their governing bodies a separate item on the progress made and action to be taken by those organizations in their implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

15. *Also urges* the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to formulate, with the active co-operation of the Organization of African Unity, and to submit, as a matter of priority, to their governing and legislative organs concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations decisions;

16. *Draws the attention* of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the present resolution and to the discussion on the subject at the second regular session of 1987 of the Economic and Social Council;

17. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on these matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid* and to report thereon to the Council;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution, with particular attention to co-ordination and integration arrangements for maximizing the efficiency of the assistance activities provided by various organizations of the United Nations system aimed at enabling the Namibian people to achieve their independence speedily, and to report thereon to the Council at its second regular session of 1988;

19. *Decides* to keep these questions under continuous review.

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1987/79. Cross-organizational review of the medium-term plans of the organizations of the United Nations system and programme analysis in the area of science and technology for development

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the cross-organizational review of the medium-term plans of the organizations of the United Nations system and programme analysis in the area of science and technology for development⁴¹ and part one

⁴¹ E/1987/51.

of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its twenty-seventh session,⁴²

1. *Invites* the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development to give due consideration at its ninth session to the cross-organizational review of the medium-term plans of the organizations of the United Nations system and programme analysis in the area of science and technology for development, as well as to the assessment and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

2. *Urges* the Intergovernmental Committee to exercise the co-ordinating role assigned to it under the Vienna Programme of Action on Science and Technology for Development⁴³ and by the General Assembly in resolution 34/218 of 19 December 1979 and to consider co-ordination questions at each of its sessions;

3. *Decides* to strengthen its co-ordinating function in the field of science and technology to assist the organizations and organs of the United Nations system in harmonizing their efforts, taking into account the need to avoid overlap and duplication;

4. *Also decides* that the discharge of its functions with regard to co-ordination in the field of science and technology should be linked to its consideration of the substantive issues in that field;

5. *Requests* the Intergovernmental Committee and other organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, to focus their activities in the field of science and technology on the need to develop practical forms of co-operation in specific areas, giving special attention to strengthening the scientific and technological capabilities of developing countries and taking note of the discussion at the second regular session of 1987 of the Economic and Social Council.

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8 July 1987*

1987/80. Efforts and measures to promote the eradication of illiteracy

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 41/118 of 4 December 1986, in which the Assembly invited the Council to consider the question of declaring an international literacy year,

Referring to decision 7.1.2 of 18 June 1987, adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its 126th

⁴² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16).*

⁴³ *Report of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, Vienna, 20-31 August 1979* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.I.21 and corrigenda), chap. VII.

session, in which the Board suggested that the General Assembly proclaim 1990 International Literacy Year,

Emphasizing that widespread illiteracy, especially in many developing countries, seriously hinders the process of economic and social development and cultural and spiritual advancement,

Convinced that the process of education can make an indispensable contribution to the achievement of social progress, mutual understanding and co-operation among nations,

Mindful that the eradication of illiteracy calls for world-wide co-operation and joint efforts,

Convinced that the elaboration of a global strategy for the elimination of illiteracy and the organization of a world-wide literacy campaign will promote deeper understanding by the world public of the various aspects of the problem of illiteracy and help to intensify efforts to spread literacy and education,

Reiterating the importance of paragraph 164 of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,⁴⁴ which identifies the need for priority programmes to overcome the special obstacles that have generally led to higher illiteracy rates among women than among men,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the proposals for the observance of an international literacy year prepared by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization;⁴⁵

2. *Invites* the General Assembly to proclaim 1990 International Literacy Year;

3. *Appeals* to all Member States to co-operate with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in the preparation of the International Literacy Year and participate actively in the implementation of the activities to be organized within the framework of the Year.

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1987/81. Development of human resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the crucial role of human resources in the socio-economic development process,

Bearing in mind that the long-term development process of developing countries is one of the main objectives of international co-operation and the development activities of the United Nations system and that human resources development is essential to the attainment of that objective,

⁴⁴ *Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

⁴⁵ See E/1987/113.

Recognizing that the training of qualified national personnel is an important and integral part of human resources development,

Recalling the importance attached to the development of human resources in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,⁴⁶

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 40/213 of 17 December 1985 on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries and Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/73 of 23 July 1986 on the development of human resources,

Noting decision 87/15 on human resources development, adopted by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on 18 June 1987,⁴⁷

Considering that it is for each developing country to decide the possible content of a national programme for the development of human resources,

Taking into account the considerable experience and technical capacity acquired by the organizations of the United Nations system in human resources development in their respective fields of competence, and convinced of the need for greater co-ordination of such activities,

Noting the note by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations system in human resources development and its contribution to meeting the economic and social objectives of the developing countries and the views expressed in the summing-up by the Chairmen of the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,⁴⁸

Emphasizing its central role in co-ordinating the activities of the United Nations system in human resources development,

1. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on human resources development;⁴⁹

2. *Takes note also* of the report of the Secretary-General on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries;⁵⁰

3. *Reaffirms* the need for an integrated and multidisciplinary approach to all aspects of the development of human resources in the programme of work of the United Nations and the other organizations of the United Nations system;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, taking into account earlier studies and the discussions held at the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the Commit-

⁴⁶ General Assembly resolution 35/56, annex.

⁴⁷ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 12 (E/1987/25)*, annex I.

⁴⁸ E/1987/83, sect. III.

⁴⁹ A/42/335-E/1987/84.

⁵⁰ A/42/275-E/1987/76.

tee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, as well as the comprehensive report to be submitted to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its thirty-fifth session, to submit, after consultation with the organs and organizations of the United Nations system, a comprehensive report on human resources development and the activities of the system as a whole in that field, containing conclusions and recommendations, to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session, through the Economic and Social Council, for consideration and appropriate action;

5. *Invites* Governments of Member States to provide the Secretary-General with information on their experience in the development of human resources, including qualified national personnel, to be reflected in his report;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the present resolution duly into account in preparing the medium-term plan for the period 1990-1995;

7. *Calls upon* all organs and organizations of the United Nations system to implement the present resolution and to convey their views on the question to the Secretary-General.

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1987/82. Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1986/50 of 22 July 1986,

Stressing the importance of the Joint Meetings for co-ordinating the activities of the organizations of the United Nations system,

Having considered the report of the Chairmen of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the two Committees,⁵¹

1. *Reiterates* that further improvements are needed if the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination are to accomplish their objectives, in view of the present United Nations administrative reforms;

2. *Takes note* of the report of the Chairmen of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the two Committees, which includes the views expressed by participants on the schedule, venue and content of the Joint Meetings;

3. *Recommends* that all participation in the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination be at a high level and requests the Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields to consider and make recommendations on the organizational aspects of the question, in particular the venue of future sessions of the Joint Meetings;

4. *Emphasizes* that the Joint Meetings should continue to be oriented more towards the co-ordination of important issues and should provide for more in-depth discussion among the participants.

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1987/83. Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-seventh session

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered part one of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-seventh session,⁵²

Reiterating the importance of the programming and co-ordinating functions carried out by the Committee as the main subsidiary organ of the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly for planning, programming and co-ordination,

Emphasizing the importance of the additional responsibilities assigned to the Committee by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986,

1. *Approves* part one of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-seventh session;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report;

3. *Authorizes* the Committee, subject to established procedures, to resume its twenty-seventh session for two weeks, starting on 14 September 1987, in order to consider the issues included in the provisional agenda for its resumed twenty-seventh session⁵³ and to finalize its report;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that the documentation necessary for the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to finalize its work is provided in good time;

5. *Decides* to transmit the relevant parts of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-sixth session⁵⁴ concerning the detailed examination of its method of work to the

⁵² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16).*

⁵³ *Ibid.*, part one, para. 17.

⁵⁴ *Ibid.*, *Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/41/38).*

⁵¹ E/1987/83.

Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields;

6. *Also decides* to transmit the report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination in the United Nations and the United Nations system,⁵⁵ together with the relevant parts of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-seventh session, to the Special Commission.

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1987/84. Economic and technical aspects of marine affairs

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1980/68 of 25 July 1980 on co-operation in the uses of the sea and coastal area development, 1983/48 of 28 July 1983 on marine affairs and 1985/75 of 26 July 1985 on economic and technical aspects of marine affairs,

Convinced that the resources of the ocean represent an important existing and potential contribution to development,

Noting the growing interest of Member States, in particular developing countries, in developing their marine resources,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Development of marine areas under national jurisdiction: problems and approaches in policy-making, planning and management",⁵⁶

2. *Recognizes* the need for the development of national marine plans, particularly by developing countries, within a framework of an integrated and comprehensive approach, taking fully into account intersectoral aspects of marine resources development;

3. *Invites* the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to continue to provide, within their mandates and terms of reference, assistance to developing countries in their assessment of the economic, scientific, technical, financial and human resources aspects of marine affairs, with a view to strengthening the capabilities for the implementation of their national marine policies and plans, particularly those relating to international co-operation in that field;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to study global, regional and national developments, in the context of international co-operation related to marine affairs;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide, in his report to be submitted to the Council at its second regular session of 1989, an account of the measures

⁵⁵ A/42/232-E/1987/68.

⁵⁶ E/1987/69.

taken to respond to the needs of Member States, particularly those of the developing countries, in this field.

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1987/85. Twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Chairmen of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings of the two Committees,⁵⁷

Decides that the question of the follow-up to the twenty-second series of Joint Meetings should be considered by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination in the context of choosing a topic for the twenty-third series of Joint Meetings of the two Committees.

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1987/86. System-wide medium-term plan for women and development and system-wide co-ordination of the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the measures to promote institutional co-ordination contained in chapter V of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women,⁵⁸

Recognizing the need to systematize intersecretariat arrangements for the co-ordination of administrative, operational and programme activities having a bearing on the status of women,

Welcoming the significant contribution made by the formulation of the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development for the period 1990-1995 and emphasizing the need to focus on activities at the regional and international levels,

Having considered part one of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its twenty-seventh session,⁵⁹

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the other members of the Administrative Committee on Co-

⁵⁷ E/1987/83.

⁵⁸ *Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A, paras. 338-344.

⁵⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16).*

ordination, when translating the relevant provisions of the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development for the period 1990-1995⁶⁰ into the respective planning and programming documents of the United Nations and the organizations of the United Nations system, to take into account the views expressed by delegations at the second regular session of 1987 of the Council and at the twenty-seventh session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

2. *Urges* the five regional commissions to implement the system-wide medium-term plan for women and development and to make every effort to develop fully its regional dimensions;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the plan to the attention of all intergovernmental bodies of the United Nations working in the field of economic development;

4. *Requests* the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation to include a section on women and development in his annual report on operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

5. *Recommends* the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to make appropriate arrangements for implementing the system-wide medium-term plan, including, as necessary, the designation of lead agencies and arrangements for *ad hoc* meetings of focal points on women, and for monitoring the implementation of the plan, including the assignment of that responsibility to a subsidiary body, and to report thereon to the Council through the Commission on the Status of Women;

6. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to initiate the preparation of a cross-organizational programme analysis on matters related to the advancement of women to be examined in 1989, in order to provide baseline data for verifying and monitoring the extent to which progress has been made towards the achievement of the objectives of the system-wide medium-term plan and, in that context, requests the Secretary-General to transmit a report on the cross-organizational programme analysis to the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirty-second session;

7. *Invites* the governing bodies of the organizations of the United Nations system to give due consideration to the system-wide medium-term plan, particularly as it affects their own work programmes, and to make provision for its implementation in their medium-term plans, or equivalent documents, and programme budgets;

8. *Requests* all organizations concerned to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the measures taken or proposed to implement the system-wide medium-term plan.

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⁶⁰ See the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the proposed plan (E/1987/52).

1987/87. Israeli economic practices in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly decision 40/432 of 17 December 1985, by which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the financial and trade practices of the Israeli occupation authorities in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories,

Noting that the report of the Secretary-General⁶¹ covers only the financial practices of the Israeli occupation authorities in the occupied Palestinian territories,

Requests the Secretary-General to implement General Assembly decision 40/432 in full and to report on its implementation to the Assembly at its forty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council.

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1987/88. Strengthening and improving intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the role and importance of technical co-operation among developing countries in the social and economic development of developing countries and in strengthening South-South co-operation,

Reaffirming the validity of the recommendations contained in the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries,⁶²

Noting with satisfaction the results of recent programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries and for the reinforcement of the individual and collective self-reliance of developing countries,

Recognizing that intergovernmental programming exercises for technical co-operation among developing countries constitute a useful modality for promoting such technical co-operation,

Recognizing also the importance of the continued involvement of developed countries in supporting, where appropriate, activities relating to technical co-operation among developing countries,

Recognizing further the importance of the catalytic and supporting role of the United Nations development system in promoting technical co-operation among developing countries and the need to enhance its activities in that field,

⁶¹ A/42/341-E/1987/78.

⁶² *Report of the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries, Buenos Aires, 30 August-12 September 1978* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.78.II.A.11 and corrigendum), chap. I.

Taking into consideration the need for improved integration of the potential and capacity of technical co-operation among developing countries in operational activities for development of the United Nations system in the framework of country programming,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries on its fifth session⁶³ and endorses the decisions contained in the report;

2. *Urges* all organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to participate actively, within their respective fields of competence, in supporting the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries and to inform the Special Unit for Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries of the United Nations Development Programme of their activities in this regard so that complete information on the effectiveness of all the functions of the United Nations development system in support of technical co-operation among developing countries will be available to the High-level Committee at its sixth session, which will take place ten years after the adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action.

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1987/89. Enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1166 (XII) of 26 November 1957, in which the Assembly provided for the establishment of an Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, as well as Assembly resolutions 1958 (XVIII) of 12 December 1963 and 2294 (XXII) of 11 December 1967, in which it provided for subsequent increases in the membership of the Executive Committee,

Noting the note verbale dated 26 May 1987 from the Permanent Representative of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General⁶⁴ regarding the enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,

1. *Recommends* the General Assembly to take a decision at its forty-second session on the question of enlarging the membership of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees from forty-one to forty-three;

2. *Recommends* the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for

⁶³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 39 (A/42/39).*

⁶⁴ E/1987/105.

Refugees to consider ways and means of improving the possibilities for observers to participate effectively in its work.

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1987/90. Food and agricultural problems

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly 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, 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, 39/174 of 17 December 1984 and 40/205 of 17 December 1985 on the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries and 41/191 of 8 December 1986 on food and agricultural problems,

Reaffirming the Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition adopted by the World Food Conference,⁶⁵

Stressing the imperative need to keep food and agricultural issues at the centre of global attention,

Reaffirming the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990,⁶⁶ in which the African countries and the international community committed themselves, *inter alia*, to giving priority attention and increased resources to the rehabilitation and development of food and agriculture in Africa,

Reaffirming that the right to food is a universal human right which should be guaranteed to all people and, in that context, believing in the general principle that food should not be used as an instrument of political pressure, either at the national or at the international level,

Reaffirming also that the maintenance of peace and security and the strengthening of international co-operation in food and agriculture are important for improved economic conditions and enhanced food security,

Reaffirming that for most developing countries self-reliance in food and agriculture constitutes an important objective,

Recognizing the urgent need for substantial progress in stimulating food production in developing countries, and that the international agricultural commodity

⁶⁵ *Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. I.

⁶⁶ General Assembly resolution S-13/2, annex.

policies have an important bearing on the attainment of that objective,

Reaffirming that agriculture has a central impact on other sectors of the economies of the developing countries,

Concerned that growing protectionism, the decline in commodity prices, the deterioration in terms of trade and limited access to markets have had a negative effect on the situation of international agricultural trade, particularly for developing countries,

Welcoming the growing international consensus since the special ministerial session of the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade held at Punta del Este, Uruguay, from 15 to 20 September 1986, in favour of agricultural trade reform at the earliest possible time,

1. *Notes with concern* that hunger and malnutrition have been increasing since the World Food Conference in 1974, that the number of people suffering from hunger and malnutrition has grown in the 1980s and that the central objective of the World Food Conference remains largely unfulfilled;

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the oral report made by the Executive Director of the World Food Council on behalf of the Secretary-General, on the liberalization of international agricultural trade;

3. *Welcomes* the conclusions and recommendations adopted at the thirteenth session of the World Food Council, held at Beijing from 8 to 11 June 1987;⁶⁷

4. *Endorses* the Beijing Declaration of the World Food Council, reproduced in the annex to the present resolution, as a reaffirmation of the commitment of the world community to the eradication of hunger and malnutrition and as a framework to accelerate action to attain that objective;

5. *Calls upon* Governments and international assistance agencies to redouble national and regional food strategy efforts as part of comprehensive economic and social action to eliminate hunger and poverty;

6. *Recognizes* that developing countries pursuing self-reliance may be obliged to adopt policies that can protect their agricultural production;

7. *Reaffirms* that support measures for agricultural exports, together with other protectionist practices that certain developed countries apply in the agricultural sector, contribute to an accumulation of excess stocks on the world market and that depressed international prices do not serve the purposes of world food security in that the domestic output of developing countries may be eliminated from local and international markets;

8. *Calls* for the prompt and full implementation of the Integrated Programme for Commodities, particularly in view of the close link between the fall in commodity export earnings and the accumulation of debt;

9. *Appeals* to all States that have not yet done so to ratify the *Agreement Establishing the Common Fund for Commodities*;⁶⁸

10. *Welcomes* the measures taken by African Governments to stimulate agriculture and food production in implementation of their commitments under the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986-1990;

11. *Expresses its appreciation* to those developed countries that have taken specific measures in support of African efforts towards recovery and development under the Programme of Action;

12. *Expresses concern* that the expected foreign resources in support of African efforts at recovery and development made in accordance with the commitments of the international community under the Programme of Action have not so far materialized, and urges the international community to expedite its support for these efforts and to consider this problem further during the mid-term review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action at the forty-third session of the General Assembly;

13. *Recognizes* the need for more domestic and international financial resources for science and technology and agricultural training within Africa, including the support needed to tackle the massive problem of reorienting and greatly strengthening African agricultural research and production systems and to develop and strengthen its indigenous scientific and technological capability and bring about a transition from extractive to regenerative agricultural practices;

14. *Welcomes* the efforts made by some members of the international community to support the fight against the locust and grasshopper infestation in Africa, and commends the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for its co-ordinating role and for establishing the Emergency Centre for Locust Operations;

15. *Welcomes* the encouraging progress in efforts made in support of the food and agriculture sector in many developing countries and calls on the international community to accelerate assistance for those efforts;

16. *Calls upon* all countries to use the opportunity of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations, which is of decisive importance, to pursue vigorously the liberalization of agricultural trade and necessary policy reforms, taking into account all the general principles governing those negotiations, including the principle of differential and more favourable treatment, embodied in part IV of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade⁶⁹ and related instruments;

17. *Takes note* of the recommendations of the inter-regional meeting organized by the United Nations

⁶⁸ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.81.II.D.8 and corrigendum.

⁶⁹ See General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, *Basic Instruments and Selected Documents*, vol. IV (Sales No. GATT/1969-1).

⁶⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/42/19)*, part one.

Development Programme and the World Food Council at Lomé from 11 to 14 May 1987, which identify priority areas for the enhancement of South-South co-operation in food and agriculture, and calls on Governments and national, regional and interregional organizations to work together more closely to strengthen regional and interregional food and agriculture programmes;

18. *Calls upon* all countries to make a greater effort to participate actively in the negotiations on the third replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and urges all contributors to the Fund to make additional efforts to contribute to the resources of the Fund with a view to ensuring the highest possible level of replenishment while preserving the institution and its unique structure;

19. *Reiterates* its urgent appeal to the few donor countries that have not already done so to make a contribution to the Fund's Special Programme for Sub-Saharan African Countries Affected by Drought and Desertification, and invites the international community to make a further financial effort so that the \$300 million target of the Fund can be reached at the earliest possible date;

20. *Urges* all States to make every effort to contribute to the World Food Programme so that it can attain, in a timely fashion, its target of \$1.4 billion for the period 1989-1990, as approved by the governing body of the Programme and the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes;

21. *Invites* the regional development banks, the regional commissions, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and donor countries to facilitate practical arrangements to accelerate financing and technical and economic co-operation among developing countries, giving particular attention to the expansion of tripartite arrangements through which developing countries would help to finance South-South co-operative action;

22. *Urges* Governments to ensure and enhance the participation of women in the formulation and implementation of national food policies, plans and projects, in view of the importance accorded to food and the acknowledged role of women farmers in food production, marketing and family nutrition and in view of the consensus achieved on the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women;⁷⁰

23. *Welcomes* the programme of work of the World Food Council for the biennium 1988-1989 referred to in the report of the Council on the work of its thirteenth session,⁷¹ and requests the World Food Council to implement it;

⁷⁰ *Report of the World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, 15-26 July 1985* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.85.IV.10), chap. I, sect. A.

⁷¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/42/19)*, part two, chap. III, sect. D.

24. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the World Food Council and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to submit to the Economic and Social Council, at its second regular session of 1988, a comprehensive report on the trends in the international market for agricultural products, together with suggestions on ways and means of increasing the share of developing countries in international agricultural trade;

25. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make a further oral report on the liberalization of international agricultural trade to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1988 and to the General Assembly at its forty-third session.

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ANNEX

Beijing Declaration of the World Food Council

We, the Ministers of the World Food Council convened in Beijing in June 1987,

Draw the attention of all peoples to the growing number of human lives lost to hunger and malnutrition, one of the worst scourges in the world.

Thirteen years after the World Food Conference, although total food production has increased, the number of undernourished men, women and children in the world has risen.

This untenable situation has deep historical root causes and complex social and economic factors.

In the face of this disorder, which is affecting innocent human beings,

We once again proclaim that access to food constitutes a human right which must be defended by Governments, peoples and the international community;

We affirm, in the light of the experience of a number of developing countries, that humanity can feed itself if it adopts the proper means;

We proclaim that these means depend on the political will of Governments and the international community to win the common battle against hunger;

We acknowledge that the development of agricultural production requires a favourable international climate and is contingent upon the convergence of financial, economic and social policies implemented by each country within the framework of the concept of national food strategies put forward by the international community.

Moreover, we are convinced that agriculture represents a vital sector for establishing a social, economic and financial equilibrium in the developing countries.

Indeed, the debts incurred by many developing countries, especially the least developed countries, must not result in increased poverty for rural populations.

Therefore,

We call upon those responsible for national economic adjustment programmes to give priority to the requirements of integrated rural development as they affect the living conditions of both rural and urban populations;

We urge the developed countries and major financing bodies to take into consideration the great difficulties of developing countries to repay their debts and to set up the necessary financial instruments for national economic recovery;

We urge those responsible for trade negotiations to re-establish a healthy and equitable exchange of agricultural products and to allow the fair participation of developing countries;

We believe that Governments and the international organizations must further encourage regional and South-South co-operation, particularly in support of food production, agro-industries, trade, and management and institution-building;

We affirm that the support of the countries of the North for the peoples of the developing South remains essential;

We recognize that peace and stability are essential for the development of agricultural production; and

We proclaim our intention to join together and, in our united strength and interest, to eliminate the scourge of hunger forever.

Beijing, 11 June 1987

1987/91. Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1989-1990

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the comments of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes concerning the minimum target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme for the period 1989-1990,⁷²

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2462 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and 2682 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, in which the Assembly recognized the experience gained by the World Food Programme in the field of multilateral food aid,

1. *Submits* to the General Assembly for consideration and adoption the draft resolution annexed hereto;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to undertake the necessary preparations for the announcement of pledges at the Thirteenth Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

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ANNEX

Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1989-1990

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 to the effect that the World Food Programme is to be reviewed before each pledging conference,

Recalling also the provisions of paragraph 4 of its resolution 40/176 of 17 December 1985 specifying that, subject to the review mentioned above, the next pledging conference should be convened at the latest early in 1988, at which time Governments and appropriate donor organizations should be invited to pledge contributions for 1989 and 1990, with a view to reaching such a target as may be then recommended by the General Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

Noting that the review of the Programme was undertaken by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes at its twenty-third session and by the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1987,

Having considered Economic and Social Council resolution 1987/91 of 9 July 1987 and the recommendations of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,

Recognizing the value of multilateral food aid as provided by the World Food Programme since its inception and the necessity for continuing its action both as a form of capital investment and for meeting emergency food needs,

1. *Establishes* for the two years 1989 and 1990 a target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme of \$1.4 billion, of which not less than one third should be in cash and/or services in the aggregate, and expresses the hope that those resources will be augmented by substantial additional contributions from other sources, in recognition of the prospective volume of sound project requests and the capacity of the Programme to operate at a higher level;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and appropriate donor organizations to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to convene a pledging conference for this purpose at United Nations Headquarters early in 1988;

4. *Decides* that, subject to the review provided for in its resolution 2095 (XX), the subsequent pledging conference, at which Governments and appropriate donor organizations should be invited to pledge contributions for 1991 and 1992 with a view to reaching such a target as may be then recommended by the Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened, at the latest, early in 1990.

1987/92. Role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1983/61 of 28 July 1983,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 34/137 of 14 December 1979,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 41/182 of 8 December 1986,

Bearing in mind that every State has the sovereign and inalienable right to choose its economic and social system in accordance with the will of its people, without outside interference,

Recalling also that in paragraph 31 of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade⁷³ it was stated that due account should be taken of the positive role of the public sector in mobilizing internal resources, formulating and implementing overall national development plans and establishing national priorities,

Noting that the public sector plays an important role in the economic development of many developing countries,

Noting with satisfaction that the developing countries continually assess the role of the public sector in economic development with a view to achieving their national development objectives and priorities and raising the standard of living of their population,

Bearing in mind the need to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector in the light of the various difficulties which have been encountered by developing countries,

⁷² See WFP/CFA: 23/20; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council as document E/1987/80.

⁷³ General Assembly resolution 35/56, annex.

Concerned about the practical restraints that the public sector in its role of promoting economic and social development has confronted in developing countries, owing to the persistent economic difficulties of those countries and the financial burden on their own Governments,

Bearing in mind the importance of analysis, discussion and dissemination of the experience acquired by developing countries concerning the role of the public sector in economic and social development,

Recognizing the usefulness of the activities of the United Nations system for facilitating the exchange of experience and information on the role of the public sector in the economic and social development of developing countries and its relation to other sectors and the need to continue those activities,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries;⁷⁴

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General to continue to study the role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries and to submit an updated report to the General Assembly at its forty-sixth session, through the Economic and Social Council, taking into account the different efforts made and the experience gained by the developing countries in improving the efficiency of the public sector and, *inter alia*, paying special attention to the provisions of paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 34/137;

3. *Invites* the regional commissions and the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system to assist the Secretary-General in studying the role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries, in accordance with Council resolution 1978/60 of 3 August 1978;

4. *Invites* the appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to provide, within their spheres of competence, opportunities for the exchange of experience and information on the role of the public sector in the economic and social development of developing countries; that exchange should take place in the framework of the sovereign right of all countries to establish an appropriate role for the public sector and other sectors in accordance with their development programmes and plans in order to stimulate initiative and dynamism in their economies.

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1987/93. Net transfer of resources from developing to developed countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declara-

⁷⁴ A/42/138-E/1987/50.

tion and the Programme of Action for the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation and 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1986/56 of 22 July 1986 and General Assembly resolution 41/180 of 8 December 1986,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 41/202 of 8 December 1986,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the net transfer of resources from developing to developed countries,⁷⁵ the *World Economic Survey 1987*⁷⁶ and the report of the Committee for Development Planning on its twenty-third session,⁷⁷

Expressing its profound concern at the persistence of a net overall transfer of real resources from the developing to the developed countries,

Alarmed at the ever-increasing net outflows from the developing countries, which in 1986 were of the order of \$24 billion in financial transfers and \$94 billion in terms-of-trade losses, and which when added amounted to \$118 billion, triggering, *inter alia*, a decline in standards of living in the developing countries,

Aware that this dangerous situation threatens the economic, social and political stability of the world and subverts the development process in the developing countries,

Deeply concerned that the debt-service burden of the developing countries seriously diminishes the resources available to them for promoting and sustaining economic growth and development and impedes the allocation of adequate resources to social services in such sectors as health, nutrition, education and housing, which are vital to the most vulnerable population groups,

Stressing that a balanced and sustained recovery of the world economy requires the restoration of economic growth and development in the developing countries,

1. *Emphasizes* the need for the urgent adoption of specific measures to reverse the negative net transfer of resources by reducing the outflow of resources from developing to developed countries and by increasing the flow of resources to developing countries;

2. *Urges* developed countries, in particular, to adopt measures:

(a) To increase and improve access to their markets for products from the developing countries and to take

⁷⁵ A/42/272-E/1987/72.

⁷⁶ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.87.II.C.1 and corrigendum.

⁷⁷ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 10 (E/1987/23).*

steps to improve and protect the purchasing power of the export earnings of developing countries;

(b) To increase the flow of official development assistance to developing countries so as to achieve, by the end of the 1980s, the established target of 0.7 per cent of the gross national product of the developed countries;

(c) To encourage the increase of both private finance and non-concessional public long-term lending and, in that regard, to improve the terms of lending, through, *inter alia*, a substantial reduction of real interest rates and longer grace and repayment periods;

(d) To provide substantial debt relief, bearing in mind the capacity of debtors to pay;

3. *Calls upon* developed countries to take concrete action directed towards correcting the major imbalances in the world economy which contribute to the net reverse transfer of resources, in particular through the reduction or elimination of their budget deficits and

simultaneous reactivation of the economies of countries with trade surpluses and the redirection of trade surpluses to developing countries to help promote accelerated growth and sustained development in the developing countries, and to co-ordinate and harmonize macro-economic policies in a multilateral framework, including policies pertaining to exchange-rate stability, for the benefit of global development;

4. *Requests* the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its seventh session to give in-depth consideration to the net transfer of resources from developing to developed countries;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to monitor the evolution of that phenomenon and developments having a bearing on the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1988.

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DECISIONS

1987/160. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

1. At its 20th plenary meeting, on 23 June 1987, the Economic and Social Council adopted the agenda of its second regular session of 1987⁷⁸ and decided:

(a) To transmit the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees⁷⁹ to the General Assembly at its forty-second session;

(b) To consider the letter dated 29 May 1987 from the Director-General of the World Health Organization to the Secretary-General concerning the fortieth anniversary of the World Health Organization⁸⁰ and the letter dated 3 June 1987 from the Director-General of the World Health Organization to the Secretary-General concerning the global strategy for the prevention and control of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)⁸¹ in plenary meeting, under agenda item 15.

2. At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Council noted that agenda items 4, 16, 20, 21 and 22 would be considered at its resumed second regular session of 1987.

1987/161. Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Economic and Social Council

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the applications of the African Accounting Council, the African Cultural Institute, the African Development Bank, the Council of Arab Ministers of the Interior and the International Bauxite Association, decided, in accordance with rule 79 of the rules of procedure of the Council,⁸² that those organizations might participate, without the right to vote, in the deliberations of the Council on questions within the scope of their activities, as follows:

(a) The African Development Bank, on a continuing basis;

(b) The African Accounting Council, the African Cultural Institute, the Council of Arab Ministers of the Interior and the International Bauxite Association, on an *ad hoc* basis.

1987/162. Report of the Secretary-General on a concept of international economic security

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on a concept of international

⁷⁸ See page 1 above.

⁷⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 12 (A/42/12)*.

⁸⁰ E/1987/107.

⁸¹ E/1987/109.

⁸² E/5715/Rev.1 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.83.1.9).

economic security⁸³ and invited the General Assembly, when considering the report at its forty-second session, to bear in mind the need to promote the dialogue on international economic co-operation, with emphasis on the development interests of the developing countries.

1987/163. Inclusion of Burma in the list of the least developed countries

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council decided:

(a) To endorse the conclusion and recommendation of the Committee for Development Planning regarding the inclusion of Burma in the list of the least developed countries;⁸⁴

(b) To recommend that the General Assembly at its forty-second session approve the inclusion of Burma in the list of the least developed countries.

1987/164. Membership of Israel in the Economic Commission for Europe

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to the Economic and Social Council on the question of admitting Israel to the Commission⁸⁵ and decided to defer consideration of the draft decision on the question contained in the note by the Secretariat⁸⁶ to its second regular session of 1988.

1987/165. Venue of the forty-fourth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, taking into account paragraph 4 (f) of section I of General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976 and taking note with appreciation of the offer of the Government of Indonesia to act as host to the forty-fourth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, decided that the forty-fourth session of the Commission should be held at Jakarta in 1988, in accordance with paragraph 5 of section I of General Assembly resolution 31/140.

1987/166. Venue of the twenty-second session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council decided that the twenty-second session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean should be held in Brazil in 1988, in accordance with Council decision 1986/173 of 22 July 1986, and that additional expenditures for the session, if any, should be financed from the regular budget of the Commission through a reallocation of funds.

1987/167. Venue of the twenty-third session of the Economic Commission for Africa and the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers of the Commission

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, taking into account paragraph 4 (f) of section I of General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976 and taking note with appreciation of the offer of the Government of Niger to act as host to the twenty-third session of the Economic Commission for Africa and the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers of the Commission, decided that the twenty-third session of the Economic Commission for Africa and the fourteenth meeting of the Conference of Ministers should be held at Niamey from 26 to 29 April 1988, in accordance with paragraph 5 of section I of General Assembly resolution 31/140.

1987/168. Report of the Secretary-General on the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa,⁸⁷ noted with satisfaction the achievements of all African countries in the implementation of all the resolutions previously adopted by the Conference of African Ministers of Transport, Communications and Planning within the framework of the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa, which achievements would continue to be included among the accomplishments of the Decade, as noted in Council resolution 1986/62 of 22 July 1986.

1987/169. Report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation.⁸⁸

⁸³ A/42/314-E/1987/77.

⁸⁴ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 10 (E/1987/23)*, para. 64.

⁸⁵ E/1987/108.

⁸⁶ E/1987/L.32.

⁸⁷ A/42/288-E/1987/71.

⁸⁸ E/1987/79.

1987/170. Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the work of its fourteenth session.⁸⁹

1987/171. Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the implementation of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification and on the implementation in the Sudano-Sahelian region of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the implementation of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification and on the implementation in the Sudano-Sahelian region of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification.⁹⁰

1987/172. Report of the Commission on Human Settlements

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its tenth session.⁹¹

1987/173. Report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories.⁹²

1987/174. Provisional agenda and documentation for the twenty-fifth session of the Population Commission

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the twenty-fifth session of the Population Commission set out below.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE POPULATION COMMISSION

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Action by the United Nations to implement the recommendations of the World Population Conference:
 - (a) Monitoring of population trends and policies;
 - (b) Review and appraisal of progress towards the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action;
 - (c) Consideration of the possibility of convening an intergovernmental conference on population in 1994.

Documentation

Concise report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of world population trends and policies, including the in-depth consideration of a selected topic (Council decision 87 (LVIII))

Report of the Secretary-General on the review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action in 1989

Report of the Secretary-General on options for convening an intergovernmental conference on population in 1994

4. Programme of work in the field of population for the biennium 1990-1991 and implementation of the programme budget for 1988-1989.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress of work in the field of population for 1987-1988

Note by the Secretariat on the proposed programme of work in the field of population for 1990-1991

5. Follow-up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population.

Documentation

Concise report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of world population trends and policies, including the in-depth consideration of a selected topic (Council decision 87 (LVIII))

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations system in the field of population

Report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of multilateral population assistance

Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities on the activities of the Fund

Relevant parts of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions dealing with the United Nations Fund for Population Activities

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action

6. Provisional agenda for the twenty-sixth session of the Commission.
7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-fifth session.

1987/175. United Nations Fund for Population Activities: change of name

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, welcoming the recommendation of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its thirty-fourth session on the change of the name of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities,⁹³ decided to rec-

⁸⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/42/25).*

⁹⁰ E/1987/L.34.

⁹¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/42/8).*

⁹² A/42/183-E/1987/53.

⁹³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 12 (E/1987/25)*, annex 1, decision 87/32.

commend the General Assembly to approve the change of the name of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities to United Nations Population Fund, while retaining the abbreviation UNFPA, it being understood that the proposed change of name would in no way change the present mandate, aims and purposes of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities or the role and functions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly with respect to the Fund.

1987/176. Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with population questions

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of its resolution 1986/7 of 21 May 1986 on population questions⁹⁴ and on the monitoring of population trends and policies.⁹⁵

1987/177. Report of the Population Commission

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Population Commission on its twenty-fourth session.⁹⁶

1987/178. Calendar of conferences and meetings for 1988 and 1989

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council approved the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1988 and 1989.⁹⁷

1987/179. Summary records of sessional committees and subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 35th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolutions 1979/69 of 2 August 1979 and 1981/83 of 24 July 1981 and its decisions 1983/184 of 29 July 1983 and 1985/200 of 26 July 1985, decided to discontinue for a further period of two years, from 1988, summary records for its sessional committees (First (Economic) Committee, Second (Social) Committee and Third (Programme and

Co-ordination) Committee) and for the following subsidiary bodies:

Commission for Social Development;
Commission on the Status of Women;
Commission on Narcotic Drugs;
Economic Commission for Europe;
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean;
Economic Commission for Africa;
Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations;
Committee on Natural Resources;
Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;
Committee on Transnational Corporations.

1987/180. Enhancing the co-ordination of the activities of the organizations of the United Nations system

At its 36th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council requested the Special Commission of the Economic and Social Council on the In-depth Study of the United Nations Intergovernmental Structure and Functions in the Economic and Social Fields, particularly in its review of the role of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in co-ordination, to consider in depth the role of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation and his support office, as envisaged in the annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, with a view to enhancing the co-ordination of the activities of the organizations of the United Nations system.

1987/181. Development of marine areas under national jurisdiction

At its 36th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Development of marine areas under national jurisdiction: problems and approaches in policy-making, planning and management"⁹⁸ and endorsed the conclusions and recommendations in the report concerning the establishment of a programme of assistance to Member States, within the limits of existing resources.

1987/182. Co-ordination of intergovernmental activities to integrate women in economic development

At its 36th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council, bearing in mind the proposals relating to co-ordination at the intergovernmental

⁹⁴ A/42/302-E/1987/81.

⁹⁵ E/1987/3.

⁹⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 3 (E/1987/16).*

⁹⁷ E/1987/L.22 and Corr.1.

⁹⁸ E/1987/69.

tal level made in section III of the report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination in the United Nations and the United Nations system⁹⁹ and the recommendations made thereon by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its twenty-seventh session,¹⁰⁰ decided to request the Secretary-General to report on existing arrangements among intergovernmental bodies to co-ordinate activities relating to the integration of women in economic development and to propose measures to improve those arrangements, for consideration at its second regular session of 1988.

1987/183. Documents considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of international co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system

At its 36th plenary meeting, on 8 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting to the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council the report of the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization;¹⁰¹

(b) Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1986;¹⁰²

(c) Progress report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the United Nations system register of development activities,¹⁰³ transmitted to the Council by the Committee on Programme and Co-ordination.¹⁰⁴

1987/184. Documents considered by the the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of operational activities for development

At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "United Nations development system support to the implementation of the Buenos Aires plan of action on technical co-operation among developing countries"¹⁰⁵ and the comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination thereon;¹⁰⁶

(b) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Field representation of organizations of the United Nations system: structure and co-ordination"¹⁰⁷ and the

comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination thereon;¹⁰⁸

(c) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Technical co-operation between the United Nations Development Programme and the regional commissions"¹⁰⁹ and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon;¹¹⁰

(d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation on operational activities for development;¹¹¹

(e) Report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration;¹¹²

(f) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund;¹¹³

(g) Note by the Secretary-General on the policy review of operational activities for development;¹¹⁴

(h) Extract from the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its organizational meeting for 1987 and its thirty-fourth session.¹¹⁵

1987/185. Twelfth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes

At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the twelfth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes.¹¹⁶

1987/186. Note by the Secretary-General on the fight against the locust and grasshopper infestation in Africa

At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the locust and grasshopper infestation in Africa.¹¹⁷

⁹⁹ A/42/232-E/1987/68.

¹⁰⁰ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16)*, part one, chap. III, sect. A.

¹⁰¹ A/42/227-E/1987/65.

¹⁰² E/1987/47.

¹⁰³ E/AC.51/1987/13.

¹⁰⁴ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/42/16)*, part one, para. 294.

¹⁰⁵ See A/40/656.

¹⁰⁶ A/40/656/Add.1.

¹⁰⁷ See A/41/424.

¹⁰⁸ A/42/290.

¹⁰⁹ See A/42/110.

¹¹⁰ A/42/110/Add.1.

¹¹¹ A/42/326-E/1987/82.

¹¹² DP/1987/48.

¹¹³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 11 (E/1987/24)*.

¹¹⁴ E/1987/89 and Add.1.

¹¹⁵ E/1987/L.31, containing the decisions adopted by the Governing Council during 1987. For the full report, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 12 (E/1987/25)*.

¹¹⁶ WFP/CFA: 23/20; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council as document E/1987/80.

¹¹⁷ E/1987/57.

1987/187. Global effects of the indebtedness and persistent fiscal and external imbalances of developed countries on the international economic environment and in particular on the development process in developing countries

At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council decided to request the Secretary-General to include in the *World Economic Survey 1988* a comprehensive analysis of the global effects of the indebtedness and persistent fiscal and external imbalances of developed countries on the international economic environment and in particular on the development process in developing countries.

1987/188. Documents considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with its general discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments

At its 37th plenary meeting, on 9 July 1987, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) *World Economic Survey 1987: Current Trends and Policies in the World Economy*;¹¹⁸

¹¹⁸ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.87.II.C.1 and corrigendum.

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the net transfer of resources from developing to developed countries;¹¹⁹

(c) Report of the Committee for Development Planning on its twenty-third session;¹²⁰

(d) Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1986;¹²¹

(e) Summary of the economic and social survey of Asia and the Pacific, 1986;¹²²

(f) Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Africa, 1985-1986;¹²³

(g) Summary of the economic survey of Europe in 1986-1987;¹²⁴

(h) Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the region of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, 1986.¹²⁵

¹¹⁹ A/42/272-E/1987/72.

¹²⁰ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 10* (E/1987/23).

¹²¹ E/1987/55.

¹²² E/1987/60.

¹²³ E/1987/61.

¹²⁴ E/1987/63.

¹²⁵ E/1987/64.

