

7 of General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974;

2. *Endorses* the "Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council: A Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition",³⁴

3. *Commends* the World Food Council for the important initiatives it has taken, as embodied in the Manila Communiqué, *inter alia*, for increasing food production in the developing countries, improving and ensuring world food security, expanding and improving food aid programmes, improving human nutrition and liberalizing and improving food trade;

4. *Recommends* that the General Assembly adopt the "Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition" contained in the Manila Communiqué and urge all Governments, specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system to implement the Programme fully.

2085th plenary meeting
4 August 1977

2115 (LXIII). Follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan on integrated water resources development and management adopted by the United Nations Water Conference

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind resolution VIII of the United Nations Water Conference,³⁵

Recognizing the imperative need for accelerated progress in the investigation and development of water resources, and the difficulties in the area of co-ordination which affect United Nations bodies in the execution of their tasks relative to water resources,

Further recognizing the central role which the Committee on Natural Resources and the regional commissions within their respective regions should play in the promotion of intergovernmental co-operation in the follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan³⁶ on integrated water resources development and management, as recommended by the United Nations Water Conference,

1. *Calls* upon the regional commissions to convene regional meetings to obtain the views of States Members of the United Nations on the follow-up to the United Nations Water Conference, and on the opportunities, needs and problems with respect to carrying out the recommendations of the Conference at the regional level;

2. *Calls* upon the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Environment Co-ordination Board to develop in greater detail the administrative and financial aspects of the proposals contained in their

³⁴ WFC/50, chap. I.

³⁵ See *Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12), p. 78.

³⁶ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

report on present and future activities of the United Nations system in water resources development;³⁷

3. *Decides* to convene a special session of the Committee on Natural Resources, in order to decide on further steps to secure the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan on integrated water resources development; this special session, to be convened after the conclusion of the regional meetings referred to in paragraph 1 above, should be of no more than eight working days' duration and should take into account the observations of the regional meetings and the report to be prepared as requested in paragraph 2 above;

4. *Calls* upon the Committee on Natural Resources to provide for continued intergovernmental review and oversight of the follow-up to the United Nations Water Conference by the international organizations concerned in the field of water.

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2116 (LXIII). Co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources development

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the important role of the Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1535 (LXIX) of 27 July 1970 entitled "Development of natural resources", in proposing recommendations to the Council in the programming and co-ordination of the activities in the United Nations system in the field of natural resources,

Emphasizing the need for the effective co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the field of natural resources, in order to avoid unnecessary constraints on the scarce human and financial resources of the United Nations system and its capacity for supporting the developing countries in their development efforts,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Environment Co-ordination Board on present and future activities of the United Nations system in water resources development³⁸ and the report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive plan of action for and co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources development,³⁹ and of the comments made on these reports;

2. *Reaffirms* paragraph 2 of Council resolution 1957 B (LIX) of 25 July 1975, and in particular subparagraphs (c) and (d) thereof;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the reports to be prepared pursuant to Council resolution 1957 B (LIX) a detailed analysis of the current and

³⁷ E/CONF.70/CBP/4 and Add.1 and 2.

³⁸ *Ibid.*

³⁹ E/C.7/74 and Add.1-3.