

RESOLUTIONS

1981 (LIX). Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1977-1978

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the thirteenth annual report of the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme,¹

Noting the comments of the Intergovernmental Committee concerning the target for voluntary contributions to the Programme for the period 1977-1978,

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* for consideration and approval of the General Assembly the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

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

"Recalling the provisions of paragraph 4 of its resolution 3121 (XXVIII) of 13 December 1973 whereby, subject to the review mentioned above, the next pledging conference should be convened, at the latest, early in 1976, at which time Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1977 and 1978, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

"Noting that the review of the Programme was undertaken by the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme at its twenty-seventh session and by the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-ninth session,

"Having considered Economic and Social Council resolution 1981 (LIX) of 10 November 1975, as well as the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee,

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

"1. *Establishes* for the two years 1977 and 1978 a target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme of \$750 million, of which not less than one third should be in cash and/or services in the aggregate, and expresses the hope that such 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 States members or associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 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 1976;

"4. *Decides* that, subject to the review provided for in General Assembly resolution 2095 (XX), the following pledging conference at which Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1979 and 1980 with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened, at the latest, early in 1978."

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

*1981st plenary meeting
10 November 1975*

¹ See E/5694.