

sideration for the migrant worker as a human being as well as a worker,

Stressing the need for concerted action among the Governments of both labour-employing and labour-supplying countries to solve the economic, social and human problems raised by the migratory movements of labour across national boundaries, many of which could be appropriately studied and dealt with within a regional framework,

Stressing further the need for the activities pursued on behalf of migrants by the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization and the other specialized bodies concerned to mutually reinforce each other through effective co-operation and co-ordination arrangements,

1. *Expresses* its general agreement with the proposals contained in the report of the Secretary-General⁶⁷ for strengthening programmes designed to improve the welfare of migrant workers;

2. *Emphasizes* that such programmes should give major attention to the needs of the families of migrant workers, particularly in the field of housing, education, social security, health services, information and the reunion of close relatives, as well as supporting their cultural heritage and ties with their country of origin;

3. *Reaffirms* the need for a full implementation of the basic principle of equal treatment for migrants in the framework of social and labour legislation and in accordance with ratified international agreements, such a need being all the more relevant given the difficult employment situation currently experienced by various countries;

4. *Recommends* that further efforts of the United Nations system of organizations towards developing effective programmes designed to improve the welfare of migrant workers and their families should be pursued primarily at the regional level under the auspices of the regional commissions and in co-operation with the specialized agencies, the United Nations Children's Fund and other relevant bodies and programmes of the United Nations and, as appropriate, intergovernmental regional organizations;

5. *Welcomes* the action by the International Labour Organisation on the preparation of new international standards concerning migrant workers and invites that organization to make available to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session further information on the implementation of its programme of action, including the results achieved at the 1975 session of the International Labour Conference;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization, to prepare a document incorporating principles concerning migrant workers and their families which are already embodied in international instruments adopted by the United Nations organizations, and to submit that document to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session, in order to enable it to make an assessment of the main principles applicable in this matter and to make necessary recommendations;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give priority attention in his 1978 report on the world social situation to world-wide and regional trends in migratory

movements of labour and relevant governmental and intergovernmental action, emphasizing the relationship between manpower problems and economic and social programmes;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to inform the Commission for Social Development, at its twenty-sixth session, of the progress made towards strengthening programmes designed to improve the welfare of migrant workers and their families, particularly at the regional level, and towards co-ordinating activities relating to the economic, demographic, social and human rights aspects of international migration within the United Nations family.

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INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the report of the World Population Conference, in particular paragraphs 51 to 62 of the World Population Plan of Action⁶⁹ dealing with international migration,

Concerned about ensuring adequate co-ordination among the intergovernmental organizations, specialized agencies and organs of the United Nations system involved in questions relating to international migration,

1. *Recommends* that intergovernmental organizations, specialized agencies and organs of the United Nations system within the framework of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, interested in international migration, establish an *ad hoc* group to study taking into account the work done by the regional commissions, the appropriate measures related, *inter alia*, to the defence of the rights of migrant workers and of their families;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to establish this group and to report on the work done to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Commission for Social Development.

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1927 (LVIII). World social situation and mid-term review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2771 (XXVI) of 22 November 1971 on the world social situation,

Bearing in mind the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order,⁷⁰ adopted by the General Assembly during its sixth special session, and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,⁷¹ adopted by the General Assembly during its twenty-ninth session,

1. *Reaffirms* that the Commission for Social Development should concentrate its activities on the

⁶⁹ E/CONF.60/19 (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.75.XII.3), chap. I.

⁷⁰ General Assembly resolution 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI).

⁷¹ General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX).

examination of the fundamental problems of social development so as to play its role in the review and appraisal of the achievements and failures during the Second United Nations Development Decade, with particular reference to the implementation of the ideas in the Statement on the world social situation in the first half of the Second United Nations Development Decade;⁷²

2. *Endorses* the views set out in the Statement on the world social situation in the first half of the Second United Nations Development Decade.

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1928 (LVIII). Equality of opportunity for women in the total development effort

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that the General Assembly, in its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 establishing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, stressed that the full integration of women in the total development effort should be encouraged, and that article 5 of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development⁷³ calls for the active participation of all elements of society in achieving the common goals of development,

Recalling further those declarations and instruments adopted by the United Nations acknowledging the equality of status of men and women, *inter alia* the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,⁷⁴ the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women⁷⁵ and the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order⁷⁶ adopted by the General Assembly at its sixth special session,

Considering that the General Assembly, in its resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, set forth a programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women,

Taking into account General Assembly resolution 3010 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, in which the Assembly proclaimed the year 1975 International Women's Year and decided to devote 1975 to intensified action to ensure the full integration of women in the total development effort, as well as to promote equality between men and women and to recognize the importance of women's increasing contribution to the development of friendly relations among States and to the strengthening of world peace,

Taking further into account General Assembly resolution 3342 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, in which the Assembly stressed the importance of fully integrating women in the national development process,

Noting that the General Assembly, in its resolutions 3275 (XXIX), 3276 (XXIX), and 3277 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974, set forth in broad outline the

⁷² For the text of the Statement, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 3, chap. I, sect. B, resolution 7 (XXIV)*.

⁷³ General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV).

⁷⁴ General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

⁷⁵ General Assembly resolution 2263 (XXII).

⁷⁶ General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI).

measures to be taken in achieving the objectives of the International Women's Year and in convening the World Conference of the International Women's Year,

Noting further that the World Conference of the International Women's Year, to be held in Mexico City from 19 June to 2 July 1975, will be charged with preparing an international action plan which will address the subject of women in development,

1. *Urges* that appropriate measures be taken to assure the full participation of women in planning, decision-making and the implementation of all development programmes at all levels;

2. *Urges further* all those responsible for the preparation and implementation of national and international development programmes to make certain that women are given an opportunity to achieve their maximum potential as individuals and to make their maximum contribution to the economic, social and political development of their respective countries on the same terms as men, and that they receive their full share of the benefits of development;

3. *Recommends* that Governments work towards the goals set forth above throughout the International Women's Year and the World Conference of the International Women's Year as part of a long-term sustained effort to integrate women fully into the development process at all levels.

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1929 (LVIII). Popular participation and its practical implications for development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 containing the Declaration on Social Progress and Development which, among other things, calls for the adoption of measures to ensure effective participation, as appropriate, of all elements of society in the preparation and execution of national plans and programmes of social and economic development,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolution 1746 (LIV) of 16 May 1973 on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes, in which the Council specifically recommended to Governments that appropriate measures should be taken at all levels to ensure more active participation by the entire population, including the labour force, in the production, preparation and execution of economic and social development policies and programmes,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade which calls for qualitative and structural changes in society and for the promotion of active support and integration of all segments of the population in achieving the objectives of the Decade,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3176 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973 containing the text of the first biennial over-all review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade which recommends that developing countries which adopt measures for active and