

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

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

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).