

## B. Regional

The regional commissions should be requested to pay special attention to the question of active participation of youth in the process of national development and to consider at their forthcoming sessions appropriate forms in which regional commissions can assist Governments in this field and establish contacts with youth and youth organizations.

## C. International

1. The scope of the quarterly *Youth Information Bulletin* should be extended and it should be published in French and Spanish in addition to English, within the existing budgetary allocations. Both governmental and non-governmental bodies dealing with youth should be encouraged to provide material for dissemination through the Bulletin and to assist in its distribution so that it may be made available to as many young people and youth organizations as possible.

2. The work of the United Nations Office of Public Information and the Centre for Economic and Social Information in the creation of suitable radio and television programmes about the United Nations and its activities should be intensified, within their existing budgetary allocations.

3. The Secretary-General may continue to utilize the existing channels of communication between the United Nations and international and regional non-governmental youth organizations.

## 2079 (LXII). Reinforcing the social development sector within the United Nations

### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966 in which it adopted the present mandate and present designation of the Commission for Social Development,

*Bearing in mind* that the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, is considering various proposals relating, *inter alia*, to the institutional and structural machinery for dealing with social development activities within the United Nations,

*Desiring* to ensure that the social development sector within the United Nations shall be accorded, on a continuing basis, the high priority it deserves considering the gravity and urgency of the problems in this sector,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 31/182 of 21 December 1976 on preparations for a new international development strategy,

*Mindful* of the need to incorporate the social aspects of development in the formulation of a new international development strategy, taking fully into account the resolutions on the establishment of the new international economic order,

1. *Recommends* that the President of the Economic and Social Council should appoint an *ad hoc* working group composed of ten experts from Member States, taking into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution, to study, bearing in mind the work under way on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, and to make appropriate recommendations for improvement, *inter alia*, with regard to:

(a) The operational effectiveness of social development activities within the United Nations;

(b) The effectiveness of existing United Nations co-ordination machinery with respect to such activities;

(c) The future role of the social development component within the United Nations with a view to strengthening the social development input in the preparation of a new development strategy;

2. *Recommends also* that the Secretary-General should transmit the report of the working group to the members of the Commission for Social Development for comments and that the report, together with those comments, should be submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session taking into account the decision of the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the subject of preparations for a new international development strategy;

3. *Recommends* that the Commission for Social Development, at its twenty-sixth session, should give the report of the working group priority consideration in its agenda.

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## 2080 (LXII). Training for social development

### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Bearing in mind* that many of the objectives defined in its resolutions and those of the Commission for Social Development concerning such topics of social development as programmes and policies for youth, the improvement of the situation of the aged and the disabled, the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders and, in general, the promotion of the developmental objectives of social welfare, depend for their successful realization not only on material resources but also on the skills and capacities of those responsible for planning and implementing, administratively and practically, national social welfare programmes,

*Conscious* that such skills and capacities can be elicited, stimulated and improved by training suitably adapted to the level and type of workers involved, including in particular para-professional workers and volunteer workers required to provide services on the scale needed in many developing countries,

*Aware* that the shortage of workers with the necessary levels of knowledge and skill still constitutes a major constraint to the successful accomplishment of social welfare programmes in many countries,

*Welcoming* the proposals for training contained in the programme objectives for the period 1978-1981, in particular the improvement of training opportunities for youth workers and the studies leading to the production of a report on innovative approaches to the training of trainers, supervisors and field workers in social welfare,

1. *Calls upon* Governments, professional institutions and associations and other non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts in the field of training for social development;

2. *Invites* Governments and intergovernmental and other bodies which are in a position to provide financial and material assistance for such purposes, to provide support for the establishment, maintenance and expansion of research and training centres for social development at the regional level, especially in those regions which do not yet have them;

3. *Urges* all regional training centres in social development established in collaboration with the United

Nations to co-operate closely with other intergovernmental, regional and national training centres which may exist in their regions in the training of higher level manpower so that the latter may in turn train front-line workers in national institutions;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, within the series of periodic international surveys of training for social development, a survey of training issues directly related to the objectives of social welfare.

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## 2081 (LXII). Resources for international drug control

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the discussions which took place at the twenty-sixth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs<sup>92</sup> and General Assembly resolution 3445 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, on adequate priority for narcotics control, as well as General Assembly resolution 31/125 of 16 December 1976, on accession to and implementation of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,<sup>93</sup>

1. *Observes* that the arguments previously put forward are still valid and in particular that they have become even more cogent in view of the recent entry into force of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances;

2. *Recommends* that the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the General Assembly should ensure that the necessary resources shall be allocated under the regular budget of the United Nations for international drug control, bearing in mind the importance of this programme.

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## 2082 (LXII). Report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts on southern Africa

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*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,<sup>94</sup>

1. *Approves* the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights to extend the mandate of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts;

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts for the work it has carried out;

3. *Decides* that the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts, in conjunction with the Special Committee against *Apartheid*, should examine the treatment of prisoners in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe, including the deaths of a number of detainees, as well as police brutality during peaceful demonstrations

<sup>92</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5639)*.

<sup>93</sup> See *Official Records of the United Nations Conference for the adoption of a Protocol on Psychotropic Substances*, vol. I (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.XI.3), part four.

<sup>94</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927)*, chap. XXI, sect. A.

against *apartheid* in South Africa since the Soweto massacre of 16 June 1976, with a view to submitting a report;

4. *Decides* that the reports of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts should be brought to the attention of the General Assembly without delay;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give all due publicity to the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts<sup>95</sup> and to furnish all necessary assistance to the Group to enable it to fulfil its mandate.

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B

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,<sup>94</sup>

*Gravely concerned* about the situation in South Africa and southern Africa as a whole,

*Noting* with deep anxiety and indignation that the South African racist régime has continued to employ violence and massive repression against the black people and all opponents of *apartheid* in defiance of the resolutions of the General Assembly,

*Recommends* that the General Assembly should declare 1978 International Anti-*apartheid* Year.

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C

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,<sup>94</sup>

*Suggests* that the General Assembly should consider the applicability to United Nations organs of the solemn obligation of the administering Powers to promote the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Territories under their administration and to protect the human and natural resources of those Territories against abuses, which was reaffirmed by the Assembly in its resolution 31/7 of 5 November 1976, and, in this connexion, should consider the desirability of exercising fully its powers in its capacity—recognized by the International Court of Justice in 1971—as Administering Authority for Namibia, either directly or through the United Nations Council for Namibia.

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## 2083 (LXII). Measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights<sup>96</sup> and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,<sup>97</sup>

*Recalling* the resolution adopted by the General Assembly concerning migrant workers and Council reso-

<sup>95</sup> E/CN.4/1222 and Corr.1.

<sup>96</sup> General Assembly resolution 217 A (III).

<sup>97</sup> General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX).