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### TRAINING AND RESEARCH

#### Report of the Second Committee (Part I)

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 18 September 1981, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled

"Training and research:

"(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Executive Director;

"(b) United Nations University: report of the Council of the United Nations University;

"(c) Unified approach to development analysis and planning: report of the Secretary-General"

and allocated it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 4th, 6th to 12th, 18th, 27th, 28th, and 35th meetings, on 25 September, 2, 6 to 9, 13, 19, 29 and 30 October and 11 November 1981. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/36/SR.4, 6-12, 18, 27, 28 and 35). An account of the Committee's further consideration of this item will be given in an addendum to the present report.

3. The Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (chap. V - Unified approach to development analysis and planning) (A/36/3/Add.5); 1/

(b) Report of the Economic and Social Council (chap. XXXIII - United Nations University) (A/36/3/Add.33); 1/

(c) Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research; 2/

(d) Report of the Council of the United Nations University; 3/

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on a unified approach to development analysis and planning (A/36/69).

4. At the 4th meeting, on 25 September, the Rector of the United Nations University made an introductory statement.

5. At the 6th meeting, on 2 October, the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research made an introductory statement.

## II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

### A. Draft resolutions A/C.2/36/L.10 and A/C.2/36/L.18

6. At the 18th meeting, on 19 October, the representative of Japan introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/36/L.10) entitled "United Nations University", on behalf of Austria, Ecuador, Ghana, Iceland, Indonesia, Japan, Jordan, Malaysia, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Singapore and Thailand. Subsequently, Egypt, India, the Syrian Arab Republic and the United Republic of Tanzania joined in sponsoring the draft resolution which read as follows:

#### "United Nations University

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, 3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974, 3439 (XXX)

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1/ To be incorporated in Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/36/3/Rev.1).

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/36/14 and Corr. 1).

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 31 (A/36/31).

of 9 December 1975, 31/117 and 31/118 of 16 December 1976, 32/54 of 8 December 1977, 33/108 of 18 December 1978, 34/112 of 14 December 1979, and 35/54 of 5 December 1980,

"Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University, 4/

"Noting decision 5.2.1 adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and thirteenth session,

"1. Welcomes the development of the University's activities under five themes with which the University Council expressed its general agreement at its seventeenth session;

"2. Notes with satisfaction the decision to move towards a six-year medium-term perspective;

"3. Welcomes, among others, the opportunities under the medium-term perspective for greater collaboration between United Nations University and the United Nations system, academic communities and institutions at various levels;

"4. Notes that the enlarged scope of the programmes and activities of United Nations University in promoting advanced research and training on global problems affecting mankind and in ensuring a more effective global dissemination of knowledge calls for greater resources for their implementation;

"5. Earnestly appeals to all Member States to give special attention to those encouraging developments and to contribute generously and urgently to the Endowment Fund of the University and, additionally or alternatively, to make operating contributions to the University, in order to enable it to fulfil effectively its global mandate."

7. At the 27th meeting, on 29 October, Mr. Gerben Ringnalda (Netherlands) Vice-Chairman of the Committee, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/36/L.18), entitled "United Nations University", which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/36/L.10.

8. At the 28th meeting, on 30 October, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/36/L.18 (see para. 12).

9. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/36/L.18, draft resolution A/C.2/36/L.10 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

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4/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/36/31).

B. Draft decision A/C.2/36/L.20

10. At the 35th meeting, on 11 November, the Committee had before it a draft decision (A/C.2/36/L.20), entitled "Unified approach to development analysis and planning", which was submitted by the Chairman.

11. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.2/36/L.20 (see para. 13).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

12. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, 3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974, 3439 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, 31/117 and 31/118 of 16 December 1976, 32/54 of 8 December 1977, 33/108 of 18 December 1978, 34/112 of 14 December 1979 and 35/54 of 5 December 1980,

Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University, 5/

Noting decision 5.2.1 adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and thirteenth session,

1. Welcomes the development of the activities of the United Nations University under five themes with which the Council of the University expressed its general agreement at its seventeenth session;

2. Notes with satisfaction the decision to move towards a six-year medium-term perspective;

3. Welcomes, among other things, the opportunities under the medium-term perspective for greater collaboration between the United Nations University and the United Nations system, academic communities and institutions at various levels;

4. Notes that the enlarged scope of the programmes and activities of the United Nations University in promoting advanced research and training on global problems affecting mankind and in ensuring a more effective global dissemination of

knowledge calls for greater resources for their implementation, and encourages efforts to promote understanding of this enlarged scope of the work of the University, thereby helping to generate increased financial support from various sources, including non-governmental organizations;

5. Earnestly appeals to all Member States to give special attention to those encouraging developments and to contribute generously and urgently to the Endowment Fund of the United Nations University and, additionally or alternatively, to make operating contributions to the University in order to enable it to fulfil effectively its global mandate.

13. The Second Committee also recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Unified approach to development analysis and planning

The General Assembly:

- (a) Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on a unified approach to development analysis and planning; 6/
- (b) Confirms Economic and Social Council decision 1981/107 of 4 May 1981, entitled "Unified approach to development analysis and planning";
- (c) Decided to continue consideration on a regular basis of the question of a unified approach, taking into account its importance for the process of development as stressed in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade; 7/
- (d) Requests the Secretary-General, on the basis of information supplied by Governments, to prepare a report on the experience acquired in applying a unified approach in the process of socio-economic development at the national level and in the activities of the United Nations economic and social organs and organizations and to submit it to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session through the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-eighth session and the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1983;
- (e) Further decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-eighth session an item entitled "Unified approach to development analysis and planning".

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6/ A/36/69.

7/ General Assembly resolution 35/55; annex.