

8. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Governments and the organizations concerned for their pledges of contributions made at the International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa and urges all Governments and the organizations within the United Nations system to contribute generously to the funds earmarked for assistance to refugees in Africa, in particular those persons displaced as a result of the oppressive rule which the minority racist regime of South Africa imposes in both Namibia and South Africa;

9. *Notes with satisfaction* the arrangements made by several specialized agencies and United Nations institutions which enable representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity to participate fully as observers in the proceedings relating to matters concerning their respective countries, and calls upon those international institutions which have not yet done so to follow this example and make the necessary arrangements without delay, including arrangements to defray the cost of the participation of those representatives;

10. *Recommends* that all Governments should intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system of which they are members to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

11. *Urges* those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have not already done so to include in the agenda of the regular meetings of their governing bodies a separate item on the progress made by those organizations in their implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies;

12. *Further urges* the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to formulate, with the active co-operation of the Organization of African Unity, and to submit, as a matter of priority, to their governing and legislative organs concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations decisions;

13. *Draws the attention* of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the present resolution and to the discussions on the subject at the second regular session of 1981 of the Council;

14. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on these matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the Chairman of the Special Committee against *Apartheid* and to report thereon to the Council;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution and to report thereon to the Council at its second regular session of 1982;

16. *Decides* to keep these questions under continuous review.

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1981/55. Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, particularly Assembly resolution 35/86 of 5 December 1980 and Council resolution 1980/51 of 23 July 1980,

Recalling further decision 81/5 of 19 June 1981 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,¹⁹

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region,²⁰

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region;

2. *Expresses its profound gratitude* to the Governments, agencies of the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals that have contributed to the implementation of the recovery, rehabilitation and development programme in the Sahel;

3. *Calls upon* all Governments to make special efforts to increase the resources of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office through voluntary contributions, including those to be made at the 1981 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, so as to enable the Office to respond more fully to the priority requirements of the Governments of the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

4. *Requests* the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office to continue its close co-operation with the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel, with a view to hastening the implementation of the recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region;

5. *Takes note* of the progress made in the implementation of the provisions of paragraphs 4 and 5 of Council resolution 1980/51 aimed at increasing the assistance of the competent organizations of the United Nations system and enhancing the ability of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office to respond more adequately to the priority requirements of the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

¹⁹ See E/1981/61, annex I; for the final text, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev.1)*.

²⁰ A/36/208 and Add.1.

6. *Invites* the Secretary-General to pursue further the consultations envisaged in paragraph 5 of Council resolution 1980/51, with a view to working out specific arrangements for joint undertakings between the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office and the appropriate organs, agencies and programmes of the United Nations;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the Council at its second regular session of 1982.

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1981/56. United Nations Children's Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 35/79 of 5 December 1980 and Council resolution 1980/62 of 25 July 1980,

Having considered the decisions and conclusions of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund adopted at its session held in New York from 11 to 22 May 1981,²¹

Reaffirming the principles and guide-lines for the programme activities of the Fund, in particular its field-oriented and action-oriented approach, as laid down by the Executive Board,

Fully aware of the important responsibilities entrusted to the Fund in helping Governments to implement the goals and objectives of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Noting with appreciation the full and careful consideration given to those matters by the Executive Board,

1. *Takes note* of the decisions and conclusions of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, as adopted at its session held in May 1981;

2. *Appeals* to all Governments, especially those that are not contributing at a level commensurate with their capacity, to increase their voluntary contributions to the Fund, if possible on a multi-year basis.

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1981/57. United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1762 (LIV) of 18 May 1973 and General Assembly resolution 3167 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973, concerning the establishment of the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration,

²¹ See E/1981/L.43; for the final text of the report, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1981, Supplement No. 8* (E/1981/48).

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 33/194 of 29 January 1979 on multilateral development assistance for the exploration of natural resources and Council resolution 1979/65 of 3 August 1979,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Working Group of Government Experts of the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration;²²

2. *Takes note* of decisions 81/8 of 18 June 1981 and 81/24 of 23 June 1981 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme;²³

3. *Endorses* the recommendations contained in those decisions;

4. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to include in his annual report on the Fund for 1981, to be submitted through the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its twenty-ninth session to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1982, information on co-operation between the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration and other units and organizations of the United Nations system;

5. *Decides* to amend its resolution 1762 (LIV) to read as follows:

(a) *Paragraph 1 (h) (ii)*: "Payments by recipient participating States as specified in project agreements with the Fund";

(b) *Paragraph 1 (i)*, between the words "recipient State;" and the words "in deciding": "the rate of repayment and the length of the repayment period should be on the basis of the pertinent provisions contained in the operational procedures and administrative arrangements approved by the governing body of the Fund";

(c) *Paragraph 1 (m)*: "The Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme shall continue to be the governing body of the Fund";

6. *Urges* all States Members of the United Nations to recognize the need for additional voluntary contributions to the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration, to enable it to fulfil more adequately its mandate for the benefit of developing countries.

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1981/58. High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries²⁴ and General Assembly resolution

²² E/1981/23.

²³ See E/1981/61, annex I; for the final text, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1981, Supplement No. 11* (E/1981/61/Rev.1).

²⁴ *Report of the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries, Buenos Aires, 30 August-12 September 1978* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.78.II.A.11 and corrigendum), chap. I.