

agreements which would protect and assist migrant workers and safeguard the interests of the countries concerned,

1. *Reaffirms* the need for the United Nations to consider the situation of migrant workers in an interrelated manner, bearing in mind that the principle of equality of treatment extends to include the living conditions of migrant workers and their families, particularly with regard to housing, health, education and cultural and social welfare;

2. *Invites* Member States to present existing research findings and governmental reports to the Secretary-General so as to obtain an over-all view of the situation of migrant workers and their families;

3. *Welcomes* the progress made by the Working Group on the Drafting of an International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Their Families, established in accordance with General Assembly resolution 34/172 of 17 December 1979;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the programme budget for 1982-1983 studies on the questions concerned with the welfare of migrant workers and their families, and to undertake those studies in a comprehensive manner to include common recommendations;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure, taking into account the views of the Governments and organizations concerned, that the reports requested in Economic and Social Council resolutions 1926 (LVII) and 1979/12 shall be presented to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-eighth session;

6. *Recommends* the inclusion of the question of the welfare of migrant workers and their families in the agenda of the twenty-eighth session of the Commission for Social Development to permit an exchange of views and to promote further attention to this specific group.

*14th plenary meeting  
6 May 1981*

#### **1981/22. International Year of Disabled Persons**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of the progress report of the Secretary-General on the prevention of disability,<sup>34</sup>

*Endorsing* the conclusions and recommendations contained in that report,

*Welcoming* the nomination by the Secretary-General of his Special Representative for the International Year of Disabled Persons,

1. *Calls upon* Governments, the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, as well as other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, especially organizations of disabled persons, to work together to make the International Year of Disabled Persons a success;

2. *Urges* the Secretary-General to take all necessary steps to ensure that the rehabilitation and well-being of the disabled and the prevention of disability are, wherever appropriate, given due consideration within United Nations programmes.

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<sup>34</sup> E/CN.5/591.

#### **1981/23. World Assembly on Aging**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 33/52 of 14 December 1978, by which the Assembly decided to organize in 1982 a World Assembly on Aging as a forum to launch an international action programme aimed at guaranteeing economic and social security to older persons, as well as an opportunity to investigate the impact of the aging of population structures on society,

*Reaffirming* General Assembly resolution 35/129 of 11 December 1980 concerning the World Assembly on Aging,

*Convinced* that the World Assembly on Aging is a significant international event through which a long-term programme of concrete and effective action on aging can be launched,

*Re-emphasizing* the important role of the Advisory Committee for the World Assembly on Aging,

*Taking note* of the establishment of the voluntary fund for the World Assembly on Aging,

*Taking note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General<sup>35</sup> concerning the preparatory work for the World Assembly on Aging,

*Recognizing* the role of the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs in the preparation of the World Assembly on Aging.

1. *Calls upon* Member States, specialized agencies, regional commissions and non-governmental organizations to participate fully in the preparatory work for the World Assembly on Aging and in the Assembly itself;

2. *Appeals* to Member States to consider making contributions to the voluntary fund for the World Assembly on Aging;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to ensure that the Advisory Committee for the World Assembly on Aging shall meet twice in 1981;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, through the Economic and Social Council and the Commission for Social Development, on further actions to implement the recommendations adopted at the World Assembly on Aging.

*14th plenary meeting  
6 May 1981*

#### **1981/24. Social aspects of the development activities of the United Nations**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1979/45 of 11 May 1979 on the establishment of an *Ad Hoc* Working Group on the Social Aspects of the Development Activities of the United Nations and its resolution 1980/27 of 2 May 1980 concerning the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977 and Assembly decision 35/439 of 16 December 1980 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system,

*Convinced* that all efforts should be made to ensure that the objectives of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, shall be attained.

<sup>35</sup> A/36/70.