

necessary moral and material assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories and their national liberation movements;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have continued to co-operate in varying degrees with the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies, and urges all the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to accelerate the full and speedy implementation of the relevant provisions of those resolutions;

4. *Urges* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in the light of the intensification of the liberation struggle in Zimbabwe and Namibia, to do everything possible as a matter of urgency to render, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity, increased assistance to the peoples of those territories and their national liberation movements in their struggle for liberation;

5. *Urges further* 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;

6. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council, to continue to take all necessary measures to withhold any financial, economic, technical or other assistance to the Government of South Africa and the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, to discontinue all support to them until they restore to the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia their inalienable right to self-determination and independence, and to refrain from taking any action which might imply recognition of, or support for, the illegal domination of the territories by those régimes;

7. *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;

8. *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 and, in that connexion, should accord priority to the question of providing assistance on an emergency basis to the peoples of the colonial territories and to their national liberation movements;

9. *Urges* the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, having regard to the recommendations

contained in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, 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, in particular specific programmes of assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories and their national liberation movements;

10. *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 1979 of the Council;

11. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on this matter with the Chairman of the Special Committee and to report thereon to the Council;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General, through the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to follow the implementation of the present resolution, to ensure that the relevant activities of the specialized agencies and the organizations within the United Nations system are effectively co-ordinated and to report thereon to the Council;

13. *Decides* to keep this question under continuous review.

*39th plenary meeting  
2 August 1979*

#### **1979/51. 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 33/133 of 19 December 1978 and Council resolution 1978/37 of 21 July 1978,

*Recalling further* decision 79/20 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme<sup>7</sup> on the subject,

*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,<sup>8</sup>

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, United Nations agencies, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals that have contributed to the implementation of the recovery, rehabilitation and development programmes in the Sahel;

3. *Urges* all Governments, United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals to intensify their assistance, either bilaterally or through the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office in response to requests from the Governments of the Sudano-Sahelian countries and from the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

<sup>7</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 10 (E/1979/40)*, chap. XXI.

<sup>8</sup> DP/394.

4. *Requests* the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office to undertake the necessary consultations with the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system concerned, in order to ensure fully the effectiveness of the contributions of the United Nations system to the implementation of the recovery, rehabilitation and development programmes in the Sahel and to increase the capacity of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office to respond adequately to further requests formulated by the member States of the Permanent Inter-State Committee.

*39th plenary meeting  
2 August 1979*

#### **1979/52. Role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Referring* to General Assembly resolution 33/135 of 19 December 1978 on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries and to decision 79/13 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on the implementation of that resolution,<sup>9</sup>

*Taking note* of the progress report prepared by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries,<sup>10</sup>

*Taking into account* the suggestions made by the Administrator in his progress report,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to proceed with the further implementation of General Assembly resolution 33/135, taking into account the comments and suggestions made by delegations during the Council's second regular session of 1979;

2. *Invites* the specialized agencies and other organizations concerned to contribute, on the basis of their experience, to the realization of the objectives set forth by the Assembly in resolution 33/135;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, while preparing the study requested by the Assembly in resolution 33/135, to take account of the national experience acquired in all countries in the training of qualified national personnel;

4. *Recommends* that Member States take into account the urgent need for qualified national personnel in implementing or participating in the activities aimed at the expansion of technical co-operation among developing countries;

5. *Invites* Governments of developing countries, as appropriate, to establish national systems of training qualified national personnel;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to submit the full report requested in General Assembly resolution 33/135 to the Assembly at its thirty-fifth session through the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its twenty-

<sup>9</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 10 (E/1979/40)*, chap. XXI.

<sup>10</sup> DP/409; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note by the Secretary-General (E/1979/80).

seventh session and the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1980.

*39th plenary meeting  
2 August 1979*

#### **1979/53. United Nations Children's Fund**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at Mexico City from 21 May to 1 June 1979,<sup>11</sup>

*Noting with satisfaction* that many developing countries participating in the International Year of the Child are preparing to meet more fully the needs of their children, in certain instances planning country coverage in essential basic services, with an emphasis on primary health care, a clean water supply and primary education,

*Bearing in mind* that to reach the goals that developing countries are setting for themselves in order to improve the situation of their children a significant increase in external assistance will be required in the years following the International Year of the Child, in pursuit of one of the objectives of the new international economic order,

*Aware* that the new and enlarged programmes of developing countries benefiting their children offer greater opportunity for effective co-operation with the Fund, provided that the level of its revenue rises,

*Noting with approval* the activities of the Fund as reflected in the report of the Executive Board, especially the programmes assisted, the adoption of a medium-term work plan and efforts to improve co-ordination and strengthen collaboration with organizations of the United Nations system and other sources of aid,

*Noting also with approval* the conclusion reached by the Executive Board that the Fund should continue as the lead agency for children within the United Nations system,<sup>12</sup>

1. *Endorses* the conclusions contained in the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. *Endorses in particular* the joint efforts of the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Health Organization in co-operating with the developing countries to integrate primary health-care policies, in harmony with the Fund's approach to basic services for children, in national strategies, plans of action and programmes;

3. *Appeals* to all Governments to increase their contributions to the Fund in relation to their capacity, so that it may reach the revenue target of \$290 million for 1981, as projected at the session of the Executive Board,<sup>13</sup> and meet the rapidly increasing needs of children in developing countries, particularly in view of the expected magnitude of the tasks that will follow the International Year of the Child.

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2 August 1979*

#### **1979/54. Industrial development co-operation**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI)

<sup>11</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 11 (E/1979/41)*.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 74.

<sup>13</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 183.