

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.

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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,⁹

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,¹⁰

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-

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

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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 1979,¹¹

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,¹²

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,¹³ 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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1979/54. Industrial development co-operation

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI)

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

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

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

¹² *Ibid.*, para. 74.

¹³ *Ibid.*, para. 183.

and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action of the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation¹⁴ adopted at the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, which laid down the main measures and principles for industrial development and co-operation within the framework for the establishment of a new international economic order,

Conscious of the role of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, as the central co-ordinating organ within the United Nations system for the promotion of industrial development co-operation, in the promotion of the fulfilment of the measures and the attainment of the targets contained in the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action,

Stressing the need to accelerate the implementation of the agreed measures for the achievement of industrial development co-operation, particularly those contained in the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 33/77 and 33/78 of 15 December 1978 on the Third General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and industrial development co-operation, respectively,

Having considered the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its thirteenth session,¹⁵

Taking note of the statements made in this connexion by the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at the Council's second regular session of 1979,¹⁶

1. *Invites* all States which have not yet done so to take early steps to sign and ratify, accept or approve the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,¹⁷ adopted on 8 April 1979 at the second session of the United Nations Conference on the Establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a Specialized Agency;

2. *Stresses* the need for the active participation of the Governments of all Member States in the Third General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to be held at New Delhi in 1980 to review the progress in the implementation of the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation and to adopt appropriate policies and concrete programmes for the development of a strategy for further industrialization as an essential element of the development process in the 1980s and beyond;

3. *Appreciates* the support given to the United Nations Industrial Development Fund by a number of contributors, but urges all countries, in particular the developed countries, to contribute to the Fund or to raise their contributions, taking into account the need for the maximum flexibility, with a view to reaching

¹⁴ See United Nations Industrial Development Organization, publication No. PI/38.

¹⁵ ID/B/232; reproduced in *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/34/16)*.

¹⁶ See E/1979/SR.29 and E/1979/C.1/SR.10.

¹⁷ A/CONF.90/19.

the agreed desirable funding level of \$50 million annually;

4. *Endorses* the decision taken by the Industrial Development Board at its thirteenth session with regard to the system of consultations and its programme for the biennium 1980-1981, as contained in paragraph 84 of the report of the Board, and accordingly requests the General Assembly to provide adequate resources for the system of consultations in the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981, within the over-all budgetary resources of the United Nations as determined by the Assembly at its thirty-fourth session;

5. *Further endorses* the recommendation made by the Industrial Development Board at its thirteenth session with regard to the Industrial and Technological Information Bank, including in particular the establishment of that Information Bank as an on-going activity of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, and the expansion of its activities to include sectors and topics covered by the system of consultations, as well as those chosen for the International Forum on Appropriate Industrial Technology,¹⁸ and accordingly requests the General Assembly to provide the appropriate resources in the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981;

6. *Expresses its appreciation* of the report on Senior Industrial Development Field Advisers¹⁹ and urges the early implementation of the recommendations contained therein, in the light of the review to be carried out jointly by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the United Nations Development Programme;

7. *Emphasizes* the importance of maintaining the particular momentum, quality and growth of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization's programme of technical assistance recorded in the past four years and accordingly recommends to the General Assembly that adequate resources be provided in the programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981, within the over-all budgetary resources of the United Nations as determined by the Assembly at its thirty-fourth session.

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1979/55. Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1981-1982

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the fourth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,²⁰

Noting the comments of the Committee concerning the minimum target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme for the period 1981-1982,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2462 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and 2682 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 on multilateral food aid, which recognized the experience gained by the Programme in that field,

1. *Submits* to the General Assembly for consideration and approval the draft resolution annexed to the present resolution;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to under-

¹⁸ ID/B/232, para. 153.

¹⁹ ID/B/228. See also ID/B/232, paras. 56-66.

²⁰ WFP/CFA; 7/20.