

take the necessary preparations for the announcement of pledges at the Ninth Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

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ANNEX

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provision in its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965, entitled "Continuation of the World Food Programme", to the effect that the World Food Programme is to be reviewed before each pledging conference,

Recalling also the provision in paragraph 4 of its resolution 32/112 of 15 December 1977 specifying that, subject to the review of the Programme provided for in resolution 2095 (XX), the next pledging conference should be convened at the latest early in 1980, at which time Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1981 and 1982, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

Noting that the review of the Programme was undertaken by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes at its seventh session and by the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1979,

Having considered Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/55 and the recommendations of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes contained in its fourth annual report,

Recognizing the value of multilateral food aid as furnished by the World Food Programme since its inception and the necessity for its action being continued, both as a form of capital investment and as a means of meeting emergency food needs,

1. Establishes for the two years 1981 and 1982 a minimum target for voluntary contributions of \$1,000 million, of which not less than one third should be in cash and/or services in aggregate, and expresses the hope that the resources will be augmented by substantial additional contributions from other sources, in recognition of the prospective volume of sound project requests and the capacity of the Programme to operate at a higher level;

2. Urges States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target and to surpass it appropriately in the event of major increases in costs of commodities and transportation, or in food aid requirements, occurring before or during the biennium 1981-1982;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to convene a pledging conference for this purpose at United Nations Headquarters early in 1980;

4. Decides that, subject to the review provided for in its resolution 2095 (XX), the subsequent pledging conference, at which Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1983 and 1984, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened at the latest early in 1982.

1979/56. International co-operation on the environment

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the work of its seventh session,²¹

1. Takes note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on

²¹ UNEP/GC.7/19; reproduced in *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/34/25)*.

its seventh session and transmits it to the General Assembly for consideration;

2. Welcomes the activities of the United Nations Environment Programme, and in particular those relating to its contribution to the new international development strategy, the development of a system-wide, medium-term environment programme, environmental assessment, the studies and efforts aimed at the actual integration of environmental factors in the development process, and the implementation of the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification;²²

3. Welcomes the important role played by the United Nations Environment Programme in regard to research on the interrelation of population, resources, environment and development, and invites the views of the Governing Council of the Programme on action taken pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3345 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974;

4. Welcomes decision 7/1 of the Governing Council, in section II of which it draws the attention of the regional commissions to the advantage of setting up, if they have not done so already, intergovernmental regional environmental committees of the regional commissions,²³ and in this context welcomes also the contribution of the Programme to and its active participation in the high-level meeting on the protection of the environment, to be held within the framework of the Economic Commission for Europe in 1979;²⁴

5. Reiterates its appeal to all Governments to contribute urgently and generously to the Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme, bearing in mind decision 7/14 of the Governing Council,²⁵ so as to meet the approved target.

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1979/57. International Year of the Child

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 33/83 of 15 December 1978, by which it decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session an item entitled "International Year of the Child: plans and action to improve the situation of children in the world, particularly in the developing countries", and *inter alia* requested the United Nations Children's Fund to submit a comprehensive, action-oriented report on the project and programmes initiated by Governments and specialized agencies in connexion with the Year,

Recalling also Council resolution 1978/40 of 1 August 1978 on the International Year of the Child,

Having considered the progress report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund on the International Year of the Child, 1979²⁶ and having heard the report of the Special Representative for the International Year of the Child²⁷ on the progress achieved at the national and international levels in the implementation of the objectives of General Assembly resolution 31/169 of 21 December 1976, proclaiming 1979 the International Year of the Child,

Noting with satisfaction that the Year has already generated widespread interest in all countries in the

²² A/CONF.74/36, chap. I.

²³ See UNEP/GC.7/19, annex I.

²⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 52.

²⁵ *Ibid.*, annex I.

²⁶ E/ICEF/L.1384; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note by the Secretariat (E/1979/88).

²⁷ See E/1979/C.3/SR.3.