

## IV

### INDUSTRIAL WATER USE

#### 1. Urges Governments:

(a) To intensify their efforts to economize on water consumption in the industrial sector and to reduce to the maximum extent possible the level of pollution caused by waste waters at the source through the development and application of appropriate technologies for this purpose;

(b) To establish suitable mechanisms for a systematic exchange of experience and the transfer of technological know-how from developed to developing countries, and within the framework of technical co-operation among developing countries;

2. *Recommends* that the Industrial Development Board should examine detailed proposals on industrial water use and treatment practices made by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in the light of the recommendations in paragraph 27 of the Mar del Plata Action Plan;

## V

### FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS FOR WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

*Urges* Governments to formulate a steady flow of properly studied project proposals on different aspects of water resources development and management and to ensure that such projects shall be kept under review both in terms of feasibility and the ranking of priorities at the national level;

## VI

### SHARED WATER RESOURCES

1. *Takes note* of the views expressed during the third special session of the Committee on Natural Resources, so that they can be taken into account by the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session in the follow-up to its resolution 33/87 of 15 December 1978, bearing in mind the importance attached by the Governments concerned to the matter of shared water resources;

2. *Welcomes* the financial support to be provided by the United Nations Development Programme to the meeting of representatives of international river and lake organizations and representatives of interested Governments, which the Secretary-General has planned for 1980;

3. *Invites* participating organizations and Governments to provide active support in the preparatory process, so as to ensure the full success of the meeting;

## VII

### TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN WATER-RELATED ACTIVITIES

*Calls upon* Governments to intensify technical co-operation among developing countries in water-related activities and in the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan;

## VIII

### DROUGHT LOSS MANAGEMENT

1. *Recalls* the recommendations in section E, paragraphs 66-69, of the Mar del Plata Action Plan and in the Plan of Action to Combat Desertification;<sup>75</sup>

<sup>75</sup> A/CONF.74/36, chap. I.

2. *Invites* recipient and donor countries to work together to formulate and implement suitable projects designed to mitigate drought losses and also to combat desertification, taking into account in particular the need to strengthen the technical capacity of affected countries through the development of appropriate training and educational programmes;

## IX

### PUBLIC INFORMATION, EDUCATION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH

1. *Stresses* the importance of activities in the fields of public information, education, training and research referred to in section F of the Mar del Plata Action Plan, which are a prerequisite for the successful implementation of the Action Plan as a whole;

2. *Urges* all Member States to strengthen their programmes in the above-mentioned fields, taking into account their specific needs, and to encourage the exchange of information on such programmes;

3. *Invites* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and all other organizations of the United Nations system to accord the highest priority within their specific water resources programmes to activities in the field of public information, training and research, with the aim of increasing the capacity of Member States to cope with current and future water problems confronting their economic and social development.

*40th plenary meeting  
3 August 1979*

### **1979/71. Prospects for the development of the mineral and raw materials base of the fertilizer industry**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 33/194 of 29 January 1979 on multilateral development assistance for the exploration of natural resources and 33/136 of 19 December 1978 on the acceleration of the transfer of real resources to developing countries,

*Taking into consideration* the needs of a great many developing countries in expanding the base for their fertilizer industries,

*Noting* that the reports prepared by the Secretary-General on copper, gas, nickel and chrome constitute a useful contribution to the work of the Committee on Natural Resources,

*Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report on phosphates and potassium salts as the most important minerals used in agriculture, for submission to the Committee on Natural Resources at its seventh session.

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### **1979/72. Standardization of definitions and terminology for mineral resources**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* the desirability of reaching agreement on the terminology used in classifying mineral resources and the continuing need for internationally consistent and easily understood statistics on mineral commodities,