

1980/23. Humanitarian assistance and relief to the Kampuchean people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that there is a grave and urgent need to increase humanitarian assistance to the Kampuchean people and to improve the practical measures to ensure that food and medical supplies reach the needy,

Noting that the financial target for the period extending from April to December 1980 has not yet been attained and that there are still serious unresolved practical problems concerning the distribution of aid,

Noting with grave concern the large number of refugees in the region and their urgent need of further prompt and effective international assistance, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 34/62 of 29 November 1979, which was adopted without a vote,

Convinced of the urgent need to hold an international meeting on humanitarian assistance and relief to the Kampuchean people,

1. *Decides* that an international meeting, at the ministerial level, shall be held in the latter part of May 1980 to consider humanitarian assistance and relief to the Kampuchean people;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene the Meeting on Humanitarian Assistance and Relief to the Kampuchean People at Geneva and to invite to it those States which were invited to attend the meeting held at Geneva on 20 and 21 July 1979, as well as the socialist States of Eastern Europe and the States members of the Economic and Social Council not otherwise included;

3. *Decides* that, to the extent relevant and applicable, the proceedings of the Meeting shall be governed by the rules of procedure for United Nations pledging conferences adopted by the General Assembly on 15 December 1978.⁵²

*21st plenary meeting
1 May 1980*

1980/24. Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting with satisfaction the report of the Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, in particular paragraph 17 thereof,⁵³

Recognizing its important responsibilities in relation to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,

Taking into account its resolution 1988 (LX) of 11 May 1976 and its decision 1978/10 of 3 May 1978,

Noting that the Sessional Working Group, established under its decision 1978/10, encountered certain difficulties in discharging its responsibilities under the present arrangements,

1. *Decides* to review at its organizational session for 1981, in accordance with its decisions 1978/10 and 1980/102 of 6 February 1980, the composition, organization and administrative arrangements of the Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in order to assist the Economic and Social Council in reviewing its decision 1978/10, to solicit the views of members of the Council and all States parties to the Covenant on the future composition, organization and administrative arrangements of the Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and to submit a report thereon, together with any comments he may wish to make, to the Council at its organizational session for 1981;

3. *Decides* that the Sessional Working Group on the Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for 1981 shall be constituted under the existing arrangements at the organizational session for 1981 of the Economic and Social Council and shall start its work at the beginning of the first regular session, if the review called for in paragraph 1 of the present resolution cannot be concluded at the organizational session.

*22nd plenary meeting
2 May 1980*

1980/25. Co-ordination and information in the field of youth

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1979/27 of 9 May 1979 on co-ordination and information in the field of youth,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 34/151 of 17 December 1979, by which it decided to designate 1985 as International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace.

Believing that it is urgently desirable to consolidate the efforts of all States in carrying out specific programmes concerning youth and to improve the activities of the United Nations and its specialized agencies in the field of youth, including youth exchanges in the cultural, sporting and other fields,

Reaffirming the need for better co-ordination of efforts in dealing with problems confronting young people and in examining the manner in which those problems are being treated by the specialized agencies and by various United Nations bodies,

Convinced of the importance of giving widespread publicity to the activities of the United Nations system in the field of youth and of increasing the dissemination of information about youth,

Noting that, as a result of General Assembly resolution 33/202 of 29 January 1979 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, the work covered by the Interagency Task Force on Youth Policies and Programmes has been assumed by the relevant bodies of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,

Aware of the urgent need for more effective and better co-ordinated arrangements for the work of the United Nations system in the field of youth,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of Council resolution 1979/27 on co-ordination and information in the field of youth;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session, under the item on youth

⁵² See General Assembly decision 33/419.

⁵³ E/1980/60.