

1980/66. Operational activities for development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on 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 General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, and in particular paragraph 5 (d) of section II, and section V, of the annex thereto,

Mindful of the importance of implementing fully and without undue delay the recommendations contained in General Assembly resolution 32/197,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 33/201 of 29 January 1979,

Reaffirming the continued validity of General Assembly resolutions 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 and 3405 (XXX) of 28 November 1975,

Mindful of its role, in particular under Articles 62 and 66 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Mindful also of the importance of implementing the decision contained in paragraph 7 of its resolution 1768 (LIV) of 18 May 1973,

Having examined the report by the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation on some policy issues pertaining to operational activities for development undertaken by the United Nations system,⁷⁰

Having examined also the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twentieth session⁷¹ and the report of the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the Joint Meetings of the two Committees,⁷²

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation on some policy issues pertaining to operational activities for development undertaken by the United Nations system and the suggested approach to the policy issues contained therein;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly should invite the Secretary-General to transmit the report of the Director-General to the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system;

3. *Recommends also* that the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session should consider and select issues for appropriate action, in the light of the recommendations contained in the report of the Director-General and the

discussion in the Council at its second regular session of 1980;

4. *Invites* the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session, taking into account the recommendations of the report of the Director-General and the discussion in the Council at its second regular session of 1980, to consider and agree upon the contents of and the procedures for regular policy reviews in future years, with particular reference to technical co-operation supported by appropriate statistical material, bearing in mind the orientation in the longer term of the operational activities of the United Nations system, as well as their contribution to the implementation of the new international development strategy;

5. *Invites* the General Assembly to give consideration to grouping within a single analytical framework all types of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, to be accompanied by relevant statistical material, without prejudice to the relationship agreements between the United Nations and the specialized agencies;

6. *Invites* the General Assembly to request the Director-General to submit reports biennially on future policy reviews of operational activities, paying particular attention to the issues selected by the General Assembly for consideration.

*45th plenary meeting
25 July 1980*

1980/67. International years and anniversaries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the contribution that the celebration of international years can make to the furtherance of international co-operation and understanding,

Mindful of the need to consider carefully proposals for the designation of international years and anniversaries,

Recalling its resolution 1368 (XLV) of 2 August 1968, in which it expressed the hope that new proposals for the designation of international years and anniversaries would be avoided except on the most important occasions,

Recalling also its resolution 1800 (LV) of 7 August 1973 and General Assembly resolution 3170 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on international years and anniversaries,⁷³ submitted pursuant to Council decision 1979/64 of 3 August 1979, and of the revised guide-lines for future international years contained in paragraph 29 of the addendum to that report,

1. *Adopts* the guide-lines contained in the annex to the present resolution as its criteria and procedures with regard to future proposals for international years;

⁷⁰ See A/35/224 and Corr.1.

⁷¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/35/38).*

⁷² E/1980/75 and Corr.1.

⁷³ E/1980/64 and Add.1.