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### TRAINING AND RESEARCH

#### Report of the Second Committee

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 24 September 1982, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in its agenda the item entitled:

"Training and research:

"(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Executive Director;

"(b) United Nations University: report of the Council of the United Nations University."

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 6th, 7th, 11th to 13th, 26th, 41st, 42nd and 47th meetings, on 5, 14, 15 and 19 October, 1 and 19 November, and 8 December. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/37/SR.6, 7, 11-13, 26, 41, 42 and 47).

3. The Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (chap. III, sect. J) (A/37/3 (Part II)); 1/

(b) Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/37/14); 2/

(c) Report of the Council of the United Nations University (A/37/31); 3/

(d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the United Nations University (A/37/111);

(e) Comments of the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the United Nations University (A/37/111/Add.1).

4. At the 6th meeting, on 5 October, the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/37/SR.6). At the 7th meeting, on 5 October, the Rector of the United Nations University made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/37/SR.7).

## II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

### A. United Nations Institute for Training and Research

#### 1. Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.14

5. At the 26th meeting, on 1 November, the representative of Sierra Leone, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.14), entitled "Expression of appreciation to the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research", on behalf of Austria, Bangladesh, China, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, the Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Japan, Liberia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, the Sudan, Swaziland, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania. Subsequently, the Gambia, Mali and the United Arab Emirates joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

6. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics made a statement.

7. At its 41st meeting, on 19 November, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.14 (see para. 18, draft resolution I).

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1/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/37/3).

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/37/14).

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 31 (A/37/31).

8. At the 42nd meeting, a statement after the vote was made by the representative of Sierra Leone.

2. Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.15 and Rev.1

9. At the 26th meeting, on 1 November, the representative of Pakistan introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.15), entitled "United Nations Institute for Training and Research", on behalf of Bangladesh, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Egypt, India, Jamaica, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Sri Lanka, the Syrian Arab Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia and Uganda, which reads as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolution 36/75 of 4 December 1981 on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

"Acknowledging the value and usefulness of the research on the effectiveness of the United Nations and of the studies on the future concerning development strategies, undertaken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

"Recognizing the role of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in assisting, through training and other services within its mandate, members of permanent missions to the United Nations and other national officials concerned with the work of the United Nations,

"Aware of the continuing precarious financial situation of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and drawing attention to the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit on the financing of the Institute, 4/

"1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research 5/ and of his introductory statement on 5 October 1982; 6/

"2. Welcomes the continuing emphasis that the United Nations Institute for Training and Research is placing at present on economic and social training and research and the inclusion of specific projects on the problems

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4/ A/35/181, annex, paras. 62, 109-110.

5/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/37/14).

6/ See A/C.2/37/SR.6, paras. 13-19.

that exist in the areas identified by the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions, in the relevant decisions adopted by the Assembly at its twenty-ninth and subsequent sessions and in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, taking into consideration the statements on the programme of work of the Institute made at the thirty-seventh session;

"3. Urges all States that have not yet contributed to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to do so, and calls upon all donor countries, especially those that are not contributing at a level commensurate with their capacity, to increase their voluntary contributions in order to meet the needs of the Institute;

"4. Requests Member States to announce their annual voluntary contributions, early, if possible, at the annual United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities;

"5. Requests the Secretary-General to examine, with all its implications, the feasibility of providing a core budget for the United Nations Institute for Training and Research from the regular budget of the United Nations to cover salaries and related costs of the core staff and operating expenses, with the Institute continuing to rely on voluntary contributions and special purpose grants for the execution of programmes, and to submit a report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session."

10. At the 47th meeting, on 8 December, the representative of Pakistan introduced a revised draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.15/Rev.1) on behalf of Bangladesh, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Egypt, India, Jamaica, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Sri Lanka, the Syrian Arab Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia and Uganda. Subsequently, Liberia, Sweden and the United Arab Emirates joined as sponsors of the revised draft resolution.

11. Statements were made before the vote by the representatives of Sweden, Belgium, Pakistan, Liberia and the United Arab Emirates.

12. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.15/Rev.1 by a recorded vote of 121 to 8, with 1 abstention (see para. 18, draft resolution II). The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Burma, Burundi, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast,

Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Cameroon, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

Abstaining: Poland.

13. After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Japan, Argentina, the United States of America and Czechoslovakia.

#### B. United Nations University

##### Draft resolutions A/C.2/37/L.13 and A/C.2/37/L.28

14. At the 26th meeting, on 1 November, the representative of Austria introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.13), entitled "United Nations University", on behalf of Austria, Bangladesh, China, Egypt, Ecuador, France, Ghana, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Japan, Jordan, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, Singapore and Thailand, which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, 3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974, 3439 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, 31/117 and 31/118 of 16 December 1976, 32/54 of 8 December 1977, 33/108 of 18 December 1978, 34/112 of 14 December 1979, 35/54 of 5 December 1980 and 36/45 of 19 November 1981,

"Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University 7/ and the report on the United Nations University prepared by the Joint Inspection Unit, 8/

"Noting with appreciation that a site has been dedicated for the University's permanent Headquarters, thanks to the generous offer of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, and that active steps are being taken by the Government of Japan towards the construction of a building which will house the permanent Headquarters of the University as provided in the Agreement of 14 May 1976 between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University,

"Noting decision 5.2.3 adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and fifteenth session,

"1. "Takes note with satisfaction of the report prepared by the Joint Inspection Unit, which supports the new directions of the University and its broader intellectual concerns as reflected in its medium-term perspective (1982-1987) under the following five themes:

- "(a) Peace, security, conflict resolution and global transformation;
- "(b) Global economy;
- "(c) Hunger, poverty, resources and the environment;
- "(d) Human and social development and coexistence of peoples, cultures and social systems;
- "(e) Science and technology and their social and ethical implications;

"2. Notes with satisfaction that, with the adoption of the medium-term perspective, a renewed emphasis has been placed on the multidisciplinary and integrative approach to the search for solutions to urgent global problems, in accordance with the Charter of the University;

"3. Also notes with satisfaction that, in keeping with its philosophy of continuity with change, the University maintained its momentum in the original programmes and enlarged on the foundations built in the early years;

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7/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/37/31).

8/ A/37/111.

"4. Welcomes the fact that research, post-graduate training and the dissemination of knowledge will be covered under the medium-term perspective as a single University programme with subprogrammes responding to the five themes;

"5. Notes with satisfaction the University's increasing co-operative activities with the United Nations, its organs and agencies, particularly United Nations research and training institutions, and urges the University to continue to strengthen its collaboration with international academic and scientific organizations;

"6. Encourages the University to explore and expand innovative, fruitful and varied institutional relationships in accordance with its Charter, to assist in the effective implementation of the medium-term perspective and achieve wider outreach and increased decentralization, ensuring the continuing growth of vigorous academic and scientific communities everywhere and particularly in the developing countries;

"7. Welcomes the increased attention being given by the University to the activities related to the dissemination of knowledge referred to in its Charter and, as a consequence, the promotion of a more informed awareness of global problems among all sectors and levels of the world community through the use of the new information and communications technology now available;

"8. Recognizes that, over the medium term, the University needs to build up its Endowment Fund and other contributions in order to increase its core income;

"9. Urgently appeals to all Member States to take cognizance of the important developments at the University and to contribute generously to its Endowment Fund and, additionally or alternatively, to make operating contributions to the University to enable it to fulfil effectively its global mandate."

15. At its 41st meeting, on 19 November, the Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.28), submitted by Mr. Qazi Shaukat Fareed, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.13.

16. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.28 (see para. 18, draft resolution III).

17. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.28, draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.13 was withdrawn by the sponsors.

### III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

18. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Expression of appreciation to the Executive Director of the  
United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Noting that the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research will shortly be relinquishing his duties,

Recognizing the contribution made by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research under his guidance, through training and research, towards the achievement of the major objectives of the United Nations, in particular the maintenance of peace and security and the promotion of economic and social development,

1. Expresses its sincere appreciation and thanks to Dr. Davidson Nicol for the effective and dedicated manner in which he has performed his functions as Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
2. Extends its good wishes to him for success in his future undertakings.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 36/75 of 4 December 1981 on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Acknowledging the value and usefulness of the research on the effectiveness of the activities of the United Nations and of the studies on the future concerning development strategies, undertaken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Recognizing the role of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in assisting, through training and other services within its mandate, members of permanent missions to the United Nations and other national officials concerned with the work of the United Nations,

Aware of the continuing precarious financial situation of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and drawing attention to the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit on the financing of the Institute, 9/

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Executive Director of

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9/ A/35/181, annex, paras. 62, 109 and 110.



the United Nations Institute for Training and Research 10/ and of his introductory statement on 5 October 1982; 11/

2. Welcomes the continuing emphasis that the United Nations Institute for Training and Research is placing at present on economic and social training and research and the inclusion of specific projects on the problems that exist in the areas identified by the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions, in the relevant decisions adopted by the Assembly at its twenty-ninth and subsequent sessions, and in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, 12/ taking into consideration the statements on the programme of work of the Institute made at the current session;

3. Welcomes further the efforts of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to strengthen the co-ordination of its activities and its co-operation with relevant organs and organizations within the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations University, and the continuation of those efforts;

4. Welcomes also the steps being taken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 35/53 B of 5 December 1980 and 36/75 of 4 December 1981 and calls upon the Institute to continue to organize its programme of work and activities and to adjust its administrative costs so as to ensure that estimated expenditure does not exceed estimated revenue;

5. Urges all States that have not yet contributed to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to do so, and calls upon all donor countries, especially those that are not contributing at a level commensurate with their capacity, to increase their voluntary contributions in order to meet the needs of the Institute;

6. Requests Member States to announce their annual voluntary contributions, early, if possible at the annual United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities;

7. Requests the Secretary-General to examine all possibilities for funding the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in order to place its financing on a more predictable, assured and continuous basis, and to submit a report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, keeping in mind article VIII of the statute of the Institute 13/ and the views expressed during the current session of the Assembly.

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10/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/37/14).

11/ See A/C.2/37/SR.6, paras. 13-19.

12/ Resolution 35/56.

13/ A/6875, annex III, containing the statute as amended in March 1967; subsequently amended in June 1973.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, 3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974, 3439 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, 31/117 and 31/118 of 16 December 1976, 32/54 of 8 December 1977, 33/108 of 18 December 1978, 34/112 of 14 December 1979, 35/54 of 5 December 1980 and 36/45 of 19 November 1981,

Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University 14/ and the report on the University prepared by the Joint Inspection Unit, 15/

Noting with appreciation that a site has been dedicated for the permanent headquarters of the United Nations University, thanks to the generous offer of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, and that active steps are being taken by the Government of Japan towards the construction of a building that will house the permanent headquarters of the University as provided in the Agreement of 14 May 1976 between the United Nations and Japan regarding the headquarters of the University,

Noting decision 5.2.3 adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and fifteenth session,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report prepared by the Joint Inspection Unit and of the comments of the Secretary-General thereon, 16/ which, inter alia, support the new directions of the United Nations University and its broader intellectual concerns as reflected in its medium-term perspective (1982-1987) under the following five themes:

- (a) Peace, security, conflict resolution and global transformation;
- (b) Global economy;
- (c) Hunger, poverty, resources and the environment;

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14/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/37/31).

15/ A/37/111.

16/ A/37/111/Add.1.

(d) Human and social development and coexistence of peoples, cultures and social systems;

(e) Science and technology and their social and ethical implications;

2. Notes with satisfaction that, with the adoption of the medium-term perspective, renewed emphasis has been placed on the multidisciplinary and integrative approach to the search for solutions to urgent global problems, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations University;

3. Also notes with satisfaction that, in keeping with its philosophy of continuity with change, the United Nations University has maintained its momentum in the original programmes and enlarged on the foundations built in the early years;

4. Welcomes the fact that research, post-graduate training and the dissemination of knowledge will be covered under the medium-term perspective as a single programme of the United Nations University with subprogrammes responding to the five themes;

5. Notes with satisfaction the increasing co-operative activities of the United Nations University with the United Nations, its organs and agencies, particularly United Nations research and training institutions, and urges the University to continue to strengthen its co-operation, and the co-ordination of its activities, with those institutions and the appropriate organizational units of the United Nations Secretariat, as well as its collaboration with international academic and scientific organizations;

6. Encourages the United Nations University to explore and expand innovative, fruitful and varied institutional relationships in accordance with its Charter, to assist in the effective implementation of the medium-term perspective and achieve wider outreach and increased decentralization, ensuring the continuing growth of vigorous academic and scientific communities everywhere and particularly in the developing countries;

7. Welcomes the increased attention being given by the United Nations University to the activities related to the dissemination of knowledge, including its own research findings, referred to in its Charter and, as a consequence, the promotion of a more informed awareness of global problems among all sectors and levels of the world community through the use of the new information and communications technology now available;

8. Recognizes that, over the medium term, the United Nations University needs to build up its Endowment Fund and other contributions in order to increase its core income;

9. Earnestly appeals to all Member States to take cognizance of the important developments at the United Nations University and to contribute urgently and generously to its Endowment Fund and, additionally or alternatively, to make operating contributions to the University to enable it to fulfil effectively its global mandate.