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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 the agenda of its thirty-seventh session and to allocate to the Second Committee the following item:

"Operational activities for development:

- "(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(b) United Nations Development Programme: report of the Secretary-General;
- "(c) United Nations Capital Development Fund;
- "(d) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration;
- "(e) United Nations Fund for Population Activities;
- "(f) United Nations Volunteers programme;
- "(g) United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries;
- "(h) United Nations Children's Fund;
- "(i) World Food Programme;
- "(j) Technical co-operation activities undertaken by the Secretary-General."

2. The Committee considered the item at its 4th, 6th, 7th, 32nd, 34th to 40th and 43rd to 48th meetings, on 30 September, 5 October, 11, 12, 15 to 18, 23 and 29 November and 1, 2, 8 and 13 December 1982. An account of the discussion of the Committee is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/37/SR.4, 6, 7, 32, 34-40 and 43-48).

3. The Committee had before it the following documents:

- (a) Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/37/3 (Part II), chap. VI, sect. A); 1/
- (b) Letter dated 22 June 1982 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Final Communiqué and other documents of the Ministerial Meeting of the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Countries held at Havana from 31 May to 5 June 1982 (A/37/333-S/15278);
- (c) Note by the Secretary-General on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/37/445 and Add.1);
- (d) Letter dated 21 October 1982 from the Permanent Representative of the Niger to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General transmitting the resolutions and the final declaration adopted by the thirteenth Islamic Conference of Ministers, held at Niamey from 22 to 26 August 1982 (A/37/567-S/15466);
- (e) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on the organizational meeting for 1982, the special meeting for the consideration of country and intercountry programmes and projects and the twenty-ninth session; 2/
- (f) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund; 3/
- (g) Report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries (DP/1982/9 and Add.1);
- (h) Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for 1982 on the United Nations Volunteers (DP/1982/37);

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 Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1).

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 7 (E/1982/17).

- (i) Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for 1981 on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration (DP/1982/40).

4. At the 4th meeting, on 30 September, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme made an introductory statement (see A/C.3/37/SR.4, paras. 2-14).
5. At the 6th meeting, on 1 October, the Under-Secretary-General for Technical Co-operation for Development made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/37/SR.6, paras. 1-12).
6. At the 7th meeting, on 1 October, introductory statements were made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, under subitem (e), and by the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, under subitem (h) (see A/C.2/37/SR.7, paras. 18-24 and 25-35).
7. At the 32nd meeting, on 11 November, introductory statements were made by the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation and by the Deputy Administrator for the United Nations Development Programme (see A/C.2/37/SR.32, paras. 12-24 and 25).
8. At the 40th meeting, on 18 November, the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation made a concluding statement (see A/C.2/37/SR.40, para. 43).

II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

A. Operational activities for the development of the United Nations system

Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.92 and A/C.2/37/L.123

9. At the 45th meeting, on 1 December, the representative of Bangladesh, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.92) entitled "Operational activities for the development of the United Nations system", which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its 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 its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

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"Recalling further its resolutions 33/201 of 29 January 1979, 35/81 of 5 December 1980 on a comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development and 36/199 on operational activities for development,

"Recalling also its resolutions 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 on the capacity of the United Nations development system and 3405 (XXX) of 28 November 1975 on new dimensions in technical co-operation,

"Noting that co-ordination of national action by Governments makes it possible for concerted policies to be pursued in the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system,

"Noting with deep concern the outcome of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, held on 8 and 9 November 1982,

"Having examined the annual report for 1982 of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation on operational activities for development of the United Nations system, 4/

"Reiterating that a substantial part of world resources, material as well as human, continues to be diverted to armaments, with detrimental effect on international security and on efforts to achieve the new international economic order, including the operational activities for development of the United Nations system, and calling upon Governments to take effective measures in the field of real disarmament that would increase the possibilities of allocation of resources now being used for military purposes to economic and social development, especially the development of developing countries,

"1. Takes note with appreciation of the annual report for 1982 of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation;

"2. Reaffirms the important contribution that operational activities of the United Nations system make to the development of developing countries within the framework of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;

"3. Expresses deep concern at the alarming results of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the consequent unfavourable prospects of realizing the targets established by the relevant intergovernmental bodies for the mobilization of resources, resulting in the disruption of the development activities supported by the organizations of the system in developing countries;

"4. Strongly reiterates the need for a substantial and real increase in the flow of resources for operational activities on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis, so as to enable the organizations

of the system to maintain and, where possible, increase the effectiveness of their operational programmes;

"5. Strongly urges all countries, particularly those developed countries whose overall performance is not commensurate with their overall capacities, to increase rapidly and substantially their contributions for operational activities for development with a view to obtaining the funding levels established by the competent intergovernmental bodies set out in table 2 of the Director-General's report, 5/ and, in this context, affirms that the efforts of the developed countries should be greater, the lower their relative performance;

"6. Decides to conduct its regular review and appraisal of the mobilization of resources for operational activities in the light of each of the four objectives for the restructuring of operational activities contained in paragraph 28 of the annex to resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977 and requests the Director-General to include the necessary information for this purpose in his annual reports, as well as information on the resource situation and prospects of the International Development Association, the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the World Food Programme;

"7. Requests the Director-General to examine, in the comprehensive policy review of operational activities to be submitted, together with his recommendations, to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, the feasibility of establishing an annual growth rate target for voluntary contributions to those funds and programmes for development activities covered by the United Nations pledging conferences where they do not exist, the strengthening of the review and appraisal procedures and the ways and means of enabling such conferences to be a more effective mechanism for the mobilization of resources;

"8. Invites the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system dealing with the flows of concessional resources to developing countries to pay greater attention, in their reviews of these issues, to the funding needs of the United Nations funds and programmes;

"9. Strongly urges the Intersessional Committee of the Whole, established by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme in its decision 82/5 of 18 June 1982, 5/ to formulate an agreed set of measures to enable Governments to increase their contributions to the Programme, taking full account of Governing Council decision 80/30 of 26 June 1980 6/ and in accordance with the principles and objectives of the

5/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1), annex I.

6/ Ibid., Supplement No. 12 (E/1980/42/Rev.1), chap. XI.

Programme as reflected in the consensus set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, and in this respect reiterates its earlier appeals to place the organizations of the United Nations system engaged in operational activities on a more secure, predictable and stable financial basis;

"10. Urges all concerned Governments to release as early as possible their third instalment of the sixth replenishment of the International Development Association, and calls upon all Governments to enter into negotiations regarding the seventh replenishment of the Association with a view to ensuring a substantial increase in resources;

"11. Welcomes the effective establishment of the first replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and urges all concerned Governments to release their contributions as early as possible in order to enable the Fund to maintain its lending programme;

"12. Welcomes the progress towards the attainment of the 1983-1984 target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme and urges Governments to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target;

"13. Endorses recommendations made in the Director-General's report designed to enhance the responsiveness of operational activities to the needs and requirements of developing countries in accordance with their objectives and priorities and their efforts to promote greater economic and technical co-operation among themselves, and requests the executive heads of the organizations concerned to take appropriate action in this regard in the programming and implementation of operational activities;

"14. Invites all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system engaged in operational activities for development to adopt appropriate measures leading to a greater use of the capacities of developing countries in local or regional procurement of material and equipment, in training and in services, in facilitating the increased use of local contractors, and in the recruitment of training, technical and managerial personnel;

"15. Welcomes decision 82/8 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 5/ designed to promote government execution of projects assisted by the Programme;

"16. Reaffirms the exclusive responsibility of the Government of the country concerned to define the terms of reference for the elaboration and execution of programmes and projects of operational activities for development within the framework of its national development plan or priorities and objectives, as set out in the consensus of 1970;

"17. Requests the Director-General to include in his 1983 comprehensive policy review an examination of the extent and implications of the growing practice of contributions being provided to organizations with conditions attached to their use;

"18. Takes note of the measures being pursued to reduce costs and to improve efficiency described in the Director-General's report, and urges the Secretary-General and executive heads of organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to seek to minimize administrative and other support costs without affecting the network of field programmes, including offices, in developing countries and bearing in mind the need to maintain an appropriate level of support functions, with a view to increasing the proportion of resources available to improve the programme delivery to developing countries;

"19. Urges all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, in the light of the recommendations contained in section III of the Director-General's report, to pursue the harmonization of administrative, financial, personnel, planning and procurement procedures, and requests the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to report on specific action taken in its annual overview report of 1984;

"20. Decides to pay particular attention, in the context of the comprehensive policy review of operational activities of 1983, to the need for improved coherence of action at the country level in accordance with section V of the annex to resolution 32/197;

"21. Invites the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session on the outcome of the review of the arrangements for the exercise of the functions of resident co-ordinator in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 2688 (XXV) and 32/197.

10. At its 48th meeting, on 13 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.123) submitted by Mr. Qazi Shaukat Fareed, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, as a result of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.92.

11. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.123 without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution I).

12. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.123, the sponsors withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.92.

13. After the adoption of the resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the Federal Republic of Germany and Bulgaria (also on behalf of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).

B. United Nations Development Programme

1. Draft resolutions A/C.2/37/L.75 and A/C.2/37/L.124

14. At the 43rd meeting, on 23 November, the representative of Bangladesh, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group

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of 77, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.75) entitled "Critical financial situation of the United Nations Development Programme", which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its 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 its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

"Stressing the imperative need for a renewed commitment to the strengthening of multilateral co-operation for development, particularly through a substantial increase in the flow of multilateral official development finance,

"Emphasizing the importance of multilateral technical co-operation in the process of economic and social development of developing countries and the urgent need to provide the necessary level of financial resources on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis to enable the United Nations Development Programme to continue its unique and important role in that process,

"Reaffirming the validity of the consensus, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970,

"Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme for the year 1982 ^{7/} and Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/53 of 29 July 1982 on the report of the Governing Council,

"Having also considered the critical financial situation of the United Nations Development Programme in the light of the outcome of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and its negative impact on the continuance of technical assistance to developing countries through the Programme,

"Noting with concern the negative effects of inflation and fluctuations in currency exchange rates on the resources of the United Nations Development Programme,

^{7/} Ibid., 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1).

"1. Takes note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme for the year 1982 and the decisions contained therein;

"2. Endorses decision 82/5 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 8/ by which the Governing Council reaffirmed its decisions 80/30 of 26 June 1980 9/ and 81/16 of 27 June 1981, 10/ including, in particular, those provisions relating to the indicative planning figures, the assumed overall average annual rate of growth of voluntary contributions and the level of resources envisaged for the third programming cycle for the purposes of forward planning;

"3. Notes with deep concern the result of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the negative impact it would have on the proposed programme delivery for the third programming cycle of the United Nations Development Programme;

"4. Expresses its appreciation to all Governments, of both developed and developing countries, which, at the 1982 Pledging Conference, announced contributions or their intention to contribute to the United Nations Development Programme for 1983 in amounts approaching or exceeding an average annual increase of 14 per cent in their contributions;

"5. Urges all other Governments, especially those whose voluntary contributions may not reflect their capacity to contribute, to renew their efforts to provide the United Nations Development Programme as early as possible with the resources necessary to establish a sound financial basis for the implementation of the Programme's planned activities for the third programming cycle 1982-1986, and thus to facilitate forward planning within an overall average annual growth of resources of at least 14 per cent;

"6. Expresses its appreciation to the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for his tireless efforts to obtain the necessary level of resources envisaged for the third programming cycle in order to secure the financial viability of the Programme and to improve further the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of the Programme;

"7. Expresses its hope that the Intersessional Committee of the Whole of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme will succeed in identifying measures, in accordance with the principles and objectives of

8/ Ibid., annex I.

9/ Ibid., 1980, Supplement No. 12 (E/1980/42/Rev.1), chap. XI.

10/ Ibid., 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev.1), annex I.

the United Nations Development Programme as reflected in the consensus, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV), that would enable full implementation of the Programme's planned activities for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986."

15. At its 48th meeting, on 13 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.124) submitted by Mr. Qazi Shaukat Fareed, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, as a result of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.75.

16. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.124 without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution II).

17. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.124, the sponsors withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.75.

18. After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Bulgaria (also on behalf of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Czechoslovakia, the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, Mongolia, Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).

2. Draft resolutions A/C.2/37/L.80 and A/C.2/37/L.104

19. At the 43rd meeting, on 23 November, the representative of Mongolia introduced a draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.80, entitled "Role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries", on behalf of Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Cuba, Democratic Yemen, Ethiopia, the German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Hungary, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nicaragua, the Syrian Arab Republic and Viet Nam. The draft resolution read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Referring to its resolutions 33/135 of 19 December 1978 and 35/80 of 5 December 1980 on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries,

"Recalling its 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, as well as its resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

"Desiring to promote full implementation of the provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade concerning training of qualified personnel for the developing countries, 11/

"1. Takes note of the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries; 12/

"2. Requests the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to ensure and monitor further implementation of General Assembly resolution 35/80;

"3. Further requests the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, with a view to facilitating the exchange of information and experience, to prepare and distribute among Member States periodic analytical surveys of national reports on the experience of all countries in the field of human resources development and international co-operation in training qualified personnel of developing countries;

"4. Invites Governments of Member States to make available to the Secretariat, on a regular basis, information on and experience in establishing and developing their national systems of training of qualified personnel and the implementation of the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;

"5. Recommends to developed countries and relevant organizations of the United Nations system that their assistance to developing countries in the field of education and training of qualified personnel should be directed, inter alia, to:

(a) Establishing and developing national systems of education and training of personnel as an integral part of the social and economic development programmes of developing countries;

(b) Ensuring the most effective use of qualified national personnel in national development;

(c) Implementing the provisions of General Assembly resolution 35/80, especially paragraph 5 thereof;

11/ Resolution 35/56, annex.

12/ DP/1982/9 and Add.1.

"6. Requests the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation to elaborate, in consultation with Member States and relevant organizations of the United Nations system, general guidelines on principles, objectives and structures of national systems of education and training of personnel of developing countries;

"7. Requests once again the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation to submit a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution, together with the above-mentioned general guidelines, to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session through the Economic and Social Council."

20. At its 46th meeting, on 2 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.104) submitted by Mr. Qazi Shaukat Fareed, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.80.

21. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee of a revision agreed upon in informal consultations, whereby the words "Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation" in operative paragraph 2 were replaced by the words "Secretary-General".

22. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.104, as revised, without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution III).

23. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.104, the sponsors withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.80.

C. United Nations Volunteers programme

Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.70

24. At the 43rd meeting, on 23 November, the representative of Yemen introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.70), entitled "United Nations Volunteers programme", on behalf of Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Bhutan, China, Costa Rica, Democratic Yemen, Denmark, Djibouti, Egypt, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea-Bissau, India, Italy, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Maldives, Nepal, the Netherlands, Oman, the Philippines, Somalia, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Suriname, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United Arab Emirates, the United States of America, the Upper Volta, Venezuela and Yemen, subsequently joined by Bangladesh and Yugoslavia.

25. At its 47th meeting, on 8 December, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.70 without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution IV).

D. United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.77

26. At the 43rd meeting, on 23 November, the representative of Bangladesh on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of
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77, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.77) entitled "United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries".

27. At its 47th meeting, on 8 December, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.77 by a recorded vote of 112 to none with 21 abstentions (see para. 36, draft resolution V). The voting was as follows:

In favour: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma, Burundi, Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Yemen, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, German Democratic Republic, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Israel, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Cameroon, United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: None.

Abstaining: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

28. Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Finland (also on behalf of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), the United States of America and Denmark (on behalf of the States members of the European Economic Community).

E. United Nations Children's Fund

Draft resolutions A/C.2/37/L.87 and A/C.2/37/L.112

29. At the 44th meeting, on 29 November, the representative of the Netherlands introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.87), entitled "United Nations Children's Fund", on behalf of Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, India, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela and

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Yugoslavia, subsequently joined by Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Lebanon, Nepal, Nigeria, Norway and the United States of America. The draft resolution read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/51 of 28 July 1982,

"Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at United Nations Headquarters from 10 to 21 May 1982, 13/

"Reaffirming the principles and guidelines for programme activities established by the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, in particular its basic services approach with its efforts to reach the most disadvantaged as part of a comprehensive field- and action-oriented development policy,

"Acutely aware that the present global economic situation both adversely affects the ability of developing countries to implement efforts to extend basic services and makes the need for those services all the more critical,

"Concerned that the situation regarding financing for development, including in particular the situation of multilateral agencies depending upon voluntary contributions, has been adversely affected by a number of unfavourable factors,

"1. Commends the policies and activities of the United Nations Children's Fund;

"2. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/51 of 28 July 1982;

"3. Reaffirms the role of the United Nations Children's Fund as the lead agency in the United Nations system responsible for co-ordinating the follow-up activities of the International Year of the Child related to the goals and objectives concerning children set forth in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;

"4. Urges the Executive Director and the secretariat of the United Nations Children's Fund to continue and intensify their innovative efforts to adapt the basic services approach for children in the light of the current economic crisis, in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Executive Board of the Fund; 13/

"5. Commends the Executive Director and the secretariat of the Fund for their efforts to enlarge the income of the Fund so that it may respond to the needs of developing countries;

"6. Expresses its appreciation to Governments that have responded to the needs of the United Nations Children's Fund and expresses the hope that more Member States will follow their example;

"7. Appeals to all Governments to increase their contributions, in particular their regular contributions, if possible on a multiyear basis, so that, in the light of the present economic situation, the United Nations Children's Fund may meet its responsibilities to developing countries in responding to the urgent needs of children."

30. At its 47th meeting, on 8 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.112) submitted by Mr. Qazi Shaukat Fareed, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.87.

31. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.112 without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution VI).

32. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.112, the sponsors withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.87.

33. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics made a statement.

F. Technical co-operation activities undertaken by the Secretary-General

Draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.89

34. At the 44th meeting, on 29 November, the representative of Belgium introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/37/L.89), entitled "United Nations technical co-operation activities", on behalf of Argentina, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Federal Republic of, Jamaica, Japan, Morocco, the Netherlands, Norway, the Sudan, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Yugoslavia, subsequently joined by Australia and New Zealand.

35. At its 46th meeting, on 2 December, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/37/L.89 without a vote (see para. 36, draft resolution VII).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

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

DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

The General Assembly,

Recalling its 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 its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling further its resolutions 32/197 of 20 December 1977, 33/201 of 29 January 1979 and 35/81 of 5 December 1980 on a comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development and 36/199 of 17 December 1981 on operational activities for development,

Recalling also its resolutions 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 on the capacity of the United Nations development system and 3405 (XXX) of 28 November 1975 on new dimensions in technical co-operation,

Noting that co-ordination of national action with regard to operational activities by Governments makes it possible for concerted policies to be pursued in the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system,

Noting with deep concern the outcome of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, held on 8 and 9 November 1982,

Having examined the annual report for 1982 of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation on operational activities for development of the United Nations system, 14/

14/ A/37/445, annex.

Reiterating that a substantial part of world resources, material as well as human, continues to be diverted to armaments, with detrimental effect on international security and on efforts to achieve the new international economic order, including the operational activities for development of the United Nations system, and calling upon all Governments to take effective measures in the field of real disarmament that would increase the possibilities of allocation of resources now being used for military purposes to economic and social development, especially the development of developing countries,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the annual report for 1982 of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation; 14/

2. Reaffirms the important contribution that operational activities of the United Nations system make to the development of developing countries within the framework of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;

3. Expresses its deep concern that over-all voluntary contributions from Governments and other sources to the funds and programmes announced during the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities were highly unsatisfactory, falling short, in many cases, of targets that have been set by the relevant intergovernmental bodies, with serious consequences for the organizations concerned with respect to their capacity to maintain the level of their operational programmes in support of the growing needs of developing countries for multilateral concessional assistance through the United Nations system;

4. Strongly reiterates the need for a substantial and real increase in the flow of resources for operational activities on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis, so as to enable the organizations of the system to maintain and, where possible, increase the level of their operational programmes and, in that context, strongly urges all countries, particularly developed countries, whose over-all performance is not commensurate with their capacities, to increase rapidly and substantially their voluntary contributions for operational activities for development, taking into account the targets that have been set by relevant intergovernmental bodies;

5. Decides to conduct its regular review and appraisal of the mobilization of resources for operational activities in the light of each of the four objectives for the restructuring of operational activities contained in paragraph 28 of the annex to resolution 32/197, and requests the Director-General to include the necessary information for this purpose in his annual reports, as well as information on the resource situation and prospects of the International Development Association, the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the World Food Programme;

6. Requests the Director-General to examine, in the comprehensive policy review of operational activities to be submitted, together with his recommendations, to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, taking into account the relevant paragraphs of his report and all other pertinent considerations, the feasibility and usefulness of establishing targets for

voluntary contributions, including annual growth rate targets, for those funds and programmes for development activities covered by the United Nations pledging conferences where such targets do not exist, and the strengthening of the review and appraisal procedures, and to comment on the existing system of pledging conferences and make specific proposals aimed at establishing more effective procedures for the mobilization of resources;

7. Invites the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system dealing with the flows of concessional resources to developing countries to pay greater attention, in their reviews of these issues, to the funding needs of the United Nations funds and programmes;

8. Urges all Governments concerned to release as early as possible their third instalment of the sixth replenishment of the International Development Association, and to continue negotiations regarding the seventh replenishment of the Association with a view to ensuring an appropriately substantial increase in resources;

9. Welcomes the agreement on the establishment of the first replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, 15/ and urges all Governments concerned to deposit their instruments of contribution as early as possible and to release their contributions according to agreed schedules in order to enable the Fund to maintain its lending programme;

10. Welcomes the progress towards the attainment of the 1983-1984 target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme and urges Governments to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target;

11. Welcomes the recommendations made in the Director-General's report 16/ designed to enhance the responsiveness of operational activities to the needs and requirements of developing countries in accordance with their objectives and priorities and their efforts to promote greater economic and technical co-operation among themselves, and requests the executive heads of the organizations concerned to take appropriate action in this regard in the programming and implementation of operational activities;

12. Invites all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system engaged in operational activities for development to adopt appropriate measures leading to a greater use of the capacities of developing countries in local or regional procurement of material and equipment, in training and in services, in

15/ Ibid., para. 2.

16/ Ibid., sect. III.

facilitating the increased use of local contractors, and in the recruitment of training, technical and managerial personnel, bearing in mind decision 81/28 of 30 June 1981 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 17/

13. Decides that the guidelines on procurement to be issued pursuant to paragraph 7 of Governing Council decision 81/28 and section II, paragraph 2 of Governing Council decision 82/34 of 18 June 1982 18/ should, in due course, govern the procurement activities of organs and bodies under the authority of the General Assembly in their execution of projects financed by the United Nations Development Programme;

14. Welcomes decision 82/8 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 18/ designed to promote government execution of projects assisted by the Programme, and the real savings that could result therefrom;

15. Invites the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the President of the World Bank to examine the possibilities of further co-operation between the Programme and the World Bank regarding utilization of facilities available to the two organizations, and requests the Administrator to report thereon to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme.

16. Reaffirms the exclusive responsibility of the Government of the recipient country regarding formulation of its national development plan or priorities and objectives, as set out in the consensus of 1970, 19/ and emphasizes that the integration of the operational activities of the United Nations system with national programmes would enhance the impact and relevance of these activities;

17. Requests the Director-General to include in his 1983 comprehensive policy review an examination of the extent and implications of the growing practice of contributions being provided to organizations with conditions attached to their use;

18. Takes note of the measures being pursued to reduce costs and to improve efficiency described in the Director-General's report, and urges the Secretary-General and the executive heads of organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to seek to minimize administrative and other support costs without affecting the field programmes and the network of United Nations Development Programme offices in developing countries and bearing in mind the need

17/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev.1), annex I.

18/ Ibid., 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1), annex I.

19/ Resolution 2688 (XXV), annex.

to maintain an appropriate level of support functions, with a view to increasing the proportion of resources available to improve the programme delivery to developing countries;

19. Requests the organs and bodies of the United Nations receiving resources of an extrabudgetary nature, such as support cost payments, to include information on these resources and their utilization in the reports to their governing bodies, and invites the governing bodies of the organizations of the United Nations system receiving support cost payments from Governments and voluntary funds to examine information thereon;

20. Requests the Director-General to report on the implementation of paragraphs 18 and 19 of the present resolution and to include in his comprehensive policy overview a comparative analysis of the relationship between programme delivery and administrative costs pertaining to operational activities for development executed by organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system;

21. Urges all organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, in the light of the recommendations contained in section III of the Director-General's report, to take the necessary steps to ensure the harmonization of administrative, financial, personnel, planning and procurement procedures, and requests the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to report, in its annual overview report of 1984 on specific action taken;

22. Reiterates the importance of co-ordination of multilateral development assistance at the field level, and requests the Director-General to pay particular attention in the comprehensive policy review of operational activities of 1983, to the need for improved coherence of action and effective integration at the country level in accordance with section V of the annex to resolution 32/197 and paragraph 11 of resolution 35/81, including a report on measures taken to date in this regard, together with his recommendations thereon, with specific reference to the role of resident co-ordinators in the co-ordination of operational activities of the United Nations system;

23. Invites the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session on the outcome of the review of the arrangements for the exercise of the functions of resident co-ordinator in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, 32/197 of 20 December 1977 and 34/213 of 19 December 1979, and also requests the Committee to develop, within a year, the register on development activities in conformity with Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/71 of 10 November 1982.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Critical situation of financial resources of the United Nations
Development ProgrammeThe General Assembly,

Recalling its 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 its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Stressing the urgent need to strengthen multilateral co-operation for development, particularly through a substantial increase in the flow of multilateral official development assistance,

Emphasizing the importance of multilateral technical co-operation in the process of economic and social development of developing countries and the urgent need to provide the necessary level of financial resources on an increasingly predictable, continuous and assured basis to enable the United Nations Development Programme to continue its unique and important role in that process,

Reaffirming the validity of the consensus, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970,

Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme for the year 1982 20/ and Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/53 of 29 July 1982 on the report of the Governing Council,

Having also considered the critical financial situation of the United Nations Development Programme in the light of the outcome of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and its serious impact on the level of technical assistance to developing countries through the Programme,

Aware that, together with efforts to obtain additional voluntary contributions, steps are being taken to increase further the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of the United Nations Development Programme,

20/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement
No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1).

Aware also that the Intersessional Committee of the Whole has undertaken to study, inter alia, options and recommendations for strengthening the work of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,

1. Takes note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme for the year 1982 and the decisions contained therein;

2. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/53 of 29 July 1982, in which the Council, inter alia, took note of decision 82/5 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 21/ by which the Governing Council reaffirmed its decisions 80/30 of 26 June 1980 22/ and 81/16 of 27 June 1981, 23/ including, in particular, those provisions relating to the indicative planning figures, the assumed over-all average annual rate of growth of voluntary contributions and the level of resources envisaged for the third programming cycle for the purposes of forward planning; and welcomes the establishment of an Intersessional Committee of the Whole to study options and recommendations for the longer-term financing of the United Nations Development Programme and for strengthening the work of the Governing Council;

3. Notes with deep concern the result of the 1982 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the serious consequences it would have on the proposed programme delivery for the third programming cycle of the United Nations Development Programme;

4. Expresses its appreciation to all Governments, of both developed and developing countries, which, at the 1982 Pledging Conference, announced contributions or their intention to contribute to the United Nations Development Programme for 1983 in amounts approaching, equalling or exceeding an average annual increase of 14 per cent in their contributions; and to those Governments which have consistently maintained their contributions at a high level;

5. Urges all other Governments, especially those whose voluntary contributions may not reflect their capacity to contribute, to renew their efforts to provide the United Nations Development Programme with the resources necessary to establish a sound financial basis for the implementation of the Programme's planned activities for the third programming cycle, 1982-86, which, for the purpose of forward planning, would assume an over-all average annual growth of resources of at least 14 per cent;

6. Expresses its appreciation to the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for his tireless efforts to obtain the necessary level of

21/ Ibid., annex I.

22/ Ibid., 1980, Supplement No. 12 (E/1980/42/Rev.1), chap. XI.

23/ Ibid., 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev.1), annex I.

resources envisaged for the third programming cycle in order to secure the financial viability of the Programme and to improve further the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of the Programme; and encourages the Administrator to continue those efforts, taking into account, inter alia, the need to restrain administrative expenditures in order to maximize programme delivery in accordance with paragraph 4 of Governing Council decision 81/16;

7. Expresses its hope that the Intersessional Committee of the Whole of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, in accordance with its mandate as set out in decision 82/5, will succeed in identifying measures, in accordance with the principles and objectives as reflected in the consensus, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV), that would enable the implementation of the Programme's planned activities for the third programming cycle, 1982-1986, and beyond.

DRAFT RESOLUTION III

Role of qualified national personnel in social and economic development of developing countries

The General Assembly,

Referring to its resolutions 33/135 of 19 December 1978 and 35/80 of 5 December 1980 on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries,

Recalling its 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, and 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Desiring to promote full implementation of the provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade concerning training of qualified personnel for the developing countries, 24/

1. Takes note of the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries; 25/

2. Requests the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to ensure and monitor further implementation of General Assembly resolution 35/80;

24/ See resolution 35/56, annex.

25/ DP/1982/9 and Add.1.

3. Further requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the executive heads of the organizations concerned, with a view to facilitating the exchange of information and experience, to ensure, within available resources, the preparation and distribution among Member States of periodic analytical surveys of national reports on the experience of all countries in the field of human resources development and international co-operation in training qualified personnel of developing countries;

4. Invites Governments of Member States to make available to the Secretariat, on a regular basis, information on and experience in establishing and developing their national systems of training of qualified personnel and the implementation of the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;

5. Invites developed countries and relevant organizations of the United Nations system to direct their assistance to developing countries in the field of education and training of qualified personnel to, inter alia:

(a) Establishing and developing national systems of education and training of personnel as an integral part of the social and economic development programmes of developing countries;

(b) Promoting the most effective use of qualified national personnel in national development;

(c) Implementing the provisions of General Assembly resolution 35/80, especially paragraph 5 thereof;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to consult with Member States and relevant organizations of the United Nations system on possible elements of general guidelines on principles, objectives and structures of education and training of personnel of developing countries, taking into account the need for further development of their national systems and to report on his findings to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session;

7. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution, including the proposed elements of the above-mentioned general guidelines, to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session, through the Economic and Social Council.

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV

United Nations Volunteers programme

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2659 (XXV) of 7 December 1970 and subsequent related resolutions, including resolution 36/198 of 17 December 1981,

Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-ninth session 26/ and its decision 82/21 of 18 June 1982 on the United Nations Volunteers programme, 27/

1. Notes with satisfaction the continued contribution of the United Nations Volunteers programme as a relevant and cost-effective instrument of international development co-operation, as well as the programme's activities in support of youth and domestic development services;
2. Further notes the successful outcome of the first High-Level Symposium on International Volunteer Service and Development, held at Sana'a, Yemen, in March 1982, and the ensuing recommendations contained in the Sana'a Declaration, endorsed by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme for follow-up action; 27/
3. Stresses the importance of the contribution and activities of the United Nations Volunteers programme in support of the International Youth Year, particularly to operational and pilot activities to increase the participation of youth in development;
4. Expresses the hope that the United Nations system and other international organizations involved in development activities will fully utilize the potential of the United Nations Volunteers programme in the execution of operational development activities, as well as in the implementation of field activities in the context of the International Youth Year;
5. Renews its appeal to Governments, organizations and individuals to contribute or to increase their contributions to the Special Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Volunteers, and notes with appreciation that a substantial contribution has been made to the programme this year by one individual.

26/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1).

27/ Ibid., annex.

DRAFT RESOLUTION V

United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, by which it approved the statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries,

Recalling also its resolutions 32/113 of 15 December 1977, 33/85 of 15 December 1978, 34/209 of 19 December 1979, 35/82 of 5 December 1980 and 36/195 of 17 December 1981,

Taking note of resolution 123 (V) of 3 June 1979, of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development 28/ and decisions 80/21 of 26 June 1980 29/ and 81/3 of 19 June 1981 30/ of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,

Recalling the relevant provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, 31/

Recalling further the relevant paragraphs of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries, adopted by the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, 32/

Convinced that access to world markets at the least possible cost is an integral part of meaningful economic development of land-locked developing countries,

Bearing in mind that a large number of countries classified as least developed are land-locked developing countries,

Expressing deep concern at the consistently very low level of contributions that have been pledged to the Fund since its establishment,

28/ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fifth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), part one, sect. A.

29/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1980, Supplement No. 12 (E/1980/42/Rev.1), chap. XI.

30/ Ibid., 1981, Supplement No. 11 (E/1981/61/Rev.1), annex I.

31/ See resolution 35/56, annex.

32/ Report of the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 1-14 September 1981 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.82.I.8), part one, sect. A.

Noting that, according to the report of the Secretary-General prepared in response to General Assembly resolution 34/207 of 19 December 1979, contributions to the Fund must increase significantly if it is to be effective in meeting the large requirements for reducing the real costs of transit for land-locked developing countries, 33/

Noting further that the demands for assistance from the Fund are additional to, and generally different from, the types of activities financed from other sources of the United Nations system,

1. Urges all Member States to give due consideration to the special constraints affecting the economic and social development of land-locked developing countries;

2. Appeals to all donor countries to review their position with respect to the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries, with a view to extending their greater support to it;

3. Also appeals to all Member States, in particular developed countries, and to multilateral and bilateral financing institutions to contribute significantly and generously to the Fund in order to implement the measures relating to land-locked developing countries provided for in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;

4. Requests the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the executive heads of other related bodies, to continue to pursue action in favour of land-locked developing countries within the framework of the interim arrangements, bearing in mind that each country concerned should receive appropriate technical and financial assistance;

5. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

DRAFT RESOLUTION VI

United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/51 of 28 July 1982,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at United Nations Headquarters from 10 to 21 May 1982, 34/

Reaffirming the principles and guidelines for programme activities established by the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, in particular its basic services approach with its efforts to reach the most disadvantaged as part of a comprehensive field-oriented and action-oriented development policy, and the maintenance of a low ratio of administration to programme costs,

Acutely aware that the present global economic situation both adversely affects the ability of developing countries to implement efforts to extend basic services and makes the need for those services all the more critical,

Concerned that the situation regarding financing for development, including in particular the situation of multilateral agencies depending upon voluntary contributions, has been adversely affected by a number of unfavourable factors,

1. Commends the policies and activities of the United Nations Children's Fund;
2. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/51 of 28 July 1982;
3. Reaffirms the role of the United Nations Children's Fund as the lead agency in the United Nations system responsible for co-ordinating the follow-up activities of the International Year of the Child related to the goals and objectives concerning children set forth in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;
4. Urges the Executive Director and the secretariat of the United Nations Children's Fund to continue and intensify their innovative efforts to adapt the basic services approach for children in the light of the current economic crisis, in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Executive Board of the Fund; 35/
5. Commends the Executive Director and the secretariat of the Fund for their imaginative efforts to enlarge the income of the Fund so that it may respond to the needs of developing countries;
6. Expresses its appreciation to Governments that have responded to the needs of the United Nations Children's Fund and expresses the hope that more Member States will follow their example;

34/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 7 (E/1982/17).

35/ Ibid.

7. Appeals to all Governments, especially to those whose voluntary contributions may not reflect their capacity to contribute, to increase their contributions, preferably the contributions to the general resources, if possible on a multiyear basis, so that, in the light of the present economic situation, the United Nations Children's Fund may meet its responsibilities to developing countries in responding to the urgent needs of children.

DRAFT RESOLUTION VII

United Nations technical co-operation activities

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2029 (XX) of 22 November 1965, by which it established the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to provide general policy guidance and direction for the United Nations Development Programme as a whole, as well as for the United Nations regular programmes of technical assistance,

Recalling also its resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, in particular paragraph 43 of the annex thereto regarding the accountability of the executing agents to the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for the implementation of projects funded by the Programme,

Recalling further its resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, in which were set out the functions of a separate organizational entity for, inter alia, the management of technical co-operation activities carried out by the United Nations, and the need for that resolution to be fully implemented in order to accomplish economies of scale,

Bearing in mind the goals and objectives of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980,

Taking into account Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/71 of 10 November 1982 concerning a register of development activities to be developed by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination within a year,

Convinced that greater transparency in activities of technical co-operation will support the mobilization of financial resources for accelerated development,

Mindful that the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development of the Secretariat is the second largest executing agency of projects financed by the United Nations Development Programme,

Noting with appreciation in this respect the statement made on 5 October 1982 by the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, 36/

1. Endorses decision 82/19 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, 37/ in which the Governing Council took note, inter alia, of the annual report of the Secretary-General on technical co-operation activities of the United Nations; 38/

2. Requests the Secretary-General to make his annual report on technical co-operation activities of the United Nations also available in the future, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly; with reference to the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, the report should be expanded in order to contain a qualitative and quantitative analysis of the relationship between programme delivery and administrative costs, the level and use of programme support cost earnings, and expenditures by sources of funds and by components, with an indication of the origin of inputs;

3. Requests the Secretary-General also to include in his annual report a succinct evaluation of the results achieved, during the preceding year, with regard to completed projects.

36/ A/C.2/37/SR.6, paras. 1-12.

37/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1), annex I.

38/ DP/1982/22 and Add.1.