

urged States that had not yet done so to sign and ratify the Agreement without delay.

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the signature and ratification of the Agreement,¹¹²

Noting with concern that so far eighty-nine States have signed the Agreement and only thirty-nine States have ratified, accepted or approved it,

Reiterating its concern at the slow pace of progress in the signature and ratification of the Agreement,

Noting with interest the conclusion of the International Agreement on Jute and Jute Products, 1982,¹¹³

Reaffirming the need for further progress at an early date in the negotiations on international commodity agreements,

Mindful that the importance of the early entry into force of the Agreement Establishing the Common Fund for Commodities has been emphasized by the General Assembly in its resolutions 35/60 of 5 December 1980 and 36/143 of 16 December 1981, as well as by a number of intergovernmental meetings and conferences held at the highest political levels in 1981 and 1982,

Welcoming the pledges announced for voluntary contributions to the second account of the Common Fund,

Welcoming further the generous offer made by the States members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to pay the full capital subscriptions of the least developed countries and a number of other developing countries concerned,

Bearing in mind the objectives of the Common Fund for Commodities, as reaffirmed by the General Assembly in its resolution 36/143,

1. *Notes with regret* that the Agreement Establishing the Common Fund for Commodities did not enter into force on the date envisaged, namely 31 March 1982, and that, consequently, a new time-frame had to be set for the purpose, in accordance with article 57 of the Agreement, extending the date until 30 September 1983;

2. *Reaffirms* its strong support for the Agreement and for its early entry into force;

3. *Strongly urges* all States that have not yet done so to sign and ratify the Agreement without any further delay;

4. *Expresses the hope* that States that have signed but not yet ratified the Agreement will expedite the necessary action to that effect;

5. *Reiterates* that further concerted and constructive efforts are required to bring about the conclusion of negotiations on new international commodity agreements;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to submit a report on the progress made towards the entry into force of the Agreement to the Conference at its sixth session, to be held at Belgrade in June 1983;

7. *Decides* to consider the question at its thirty-eighth session, in the context of its consideration of the work of the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and other related developments.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme

¹¹² A/37/373.

¹¹³ TD/JUTE/11.

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 the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation,¹¹⁴ adopted at the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in which were laid down the main measures and principles for industrial development and co-operation within the framework of the establishment of the new international economic order,

Recalling further the New Delhi Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrialization of Developing Countries and International Co-operation for their Industrial Development,¹¹⁵ adopted at the Third General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in which a strategy was spelt out for the further industrialization of developing countries for the 1980s and beyond, as well as a plan of action for the restructuring of world industry,

Endorsing the consensus reached at the fourteenth session of the Industrial Development Board on the follow-up to the Third General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,¹¹⁶

Bearing in mind that, within the framework of the new international economic order, far-reaching changes in the structure of the world economy involve the restructuring of world industry, taking fully into account the capacities and potential of the developing countries,

Conscious of the role of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as the central co-ordinating organ having primary responsibility within the United Nations system for the promotion of industrial development co-operation and for facilitating the transfer of industrial technology,

Recalling its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, in which, *inter alia*, the importance of industrialization in the development of developing countries was stressed,

Expressing its concern at the negative impact of the worsening world economic situation on the industrialization of the developing countries and reiterating the need for a substantially increased transfer of financial and technical resources to developing countries for their accelerated industrialization,

Recalling its resolutions 35/66 of 5 December 1980 and 36/182 of 17 December 1981 on industrial development co-operation,

Bearing in mind the central role of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for increased technical assistance delivery,

Noting decision 82/38 of 18 June 1982 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,¹¹⁷

I

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD ON ITS SIXTEENTH SESSION

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Industrial Development Board on its sixteenth session,¹¹⁸

¹¹⁴ See A/10112, chap. IV.

¹¹⁵ ID/CONF.4/22 and Corr.1, chap. VI.

¹¹⁶ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/35/16)*, vol. II, chap. V.

¹¹⁷ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 6 (E/1982/16/Rev.1)*, annex I.

¹¹⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/37/16)*.

2. *Commends* the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for his efforts to enhance the role of the Organization in promoting the industrialization of developing countries as described in his report for 1981 presented to the Industrial Development Board at its sixteenth session;¹¹⁹

3. *Reaffirms* Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/66 of 30 July 1982 on industrial development co-operation, in which the Council reaffirmed that activities in the areas of industrial technology, energy-related industrial technology, industrial production, the development of human resources, special measures for the least developed countries, and the System of Consultations should be accorded priority, and recommended that those activities should be given continued priority for 1983-1985;

4. *Decides* that adequate resources should be provided in the budget of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for 1983 to finance up to 10 additional posts in order that senior industrial development field advisers may be appointed, in particular in the least developed countries, especially those in Africa, and in order that in future these advisers might be appointed in all developing countries that need them, as mentioned in Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/66;

5. *Invites* the Industrial Development Board to examine the question of financing the posts of senior industrial development field advisers in the developing countries at its seventeenth session and decides to consider at its thirty-eighth session, on the basis of the recommendations of the Industrial Development Board, the question of appropriate budgetary support for the biennium 1984-1985 with a view to maintaining and, if necessary, increasing the Senior Industrial Development Field Adviser Programme;

6. *Approves* the draft provisional agenda for the Fourth General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, as recommended by the Industrial Development Board in paragraph 167 of its report,¹¹⁸ and also approves the establishment of an open-ended Working Group of the Board to meet periodically and together with the secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization during the period of preparation for the Conference to exchange information and views, on an informal basis, on the progress, direction and contents of the preparations;

7. *Decides* that adequate resources should be provided to cover the costs of the preparatory work and documentation to be undertaken during 1983 for the Fourth General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, as decided by the Industrial Development Board in paragraphs 166 to 170 of its report,¹¹⁸ including five expert group meetings on major topics of the Conference and meetings of the working group referred to in paragraph 6 above, and decides to consider the question of providing adequate and necessary resources for the holding of the Fourth General Conference at the time of the consideration of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1984-1985 at its thirty-eighth session;

8. *Takes note* of the decision taken by the Industrial Development Board concerning the proposal of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for an international bank for industrial development, as reflected in paragraphs 66 to 71 of the report of the Board,¹¹⁸ and also notes that consideration of the proposal will revert to the Board at its seventeenth session;

¹¹⁹ ID/B/280 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

II

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DECADE FOR AFRICA

Bearing in mind the Lagos Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the Economic Development of Africa,¹²⁰

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Industrial Development Decade for Africa,¹²¹

Also bearing in mind that the Sixth Conference of African Ministers of Industry, held at Addis Ababa from 23 to 25 November 1981, adopted proposals for the formulation and implementation of a programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa,¹²²

Recalling Industrial Development Board resolutions 54 (XV) of 30 May 1981¹²³ and 55 (XVI) of 28 May 1982,¹²⁴ in which the Board, *inter alia*, declared the Industrial Development Decade for Africa to be one of the most important programmes of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Noting the endorsement of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa by the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa in its resolution 442 (XVII) of 30 April 1982,¹²⁵

Taking note of the report submitted jointly by the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa on action taken with regard to the Industrial Development Decade for Africa,¹²⁶

1. *Takes note* of the progress report submitted jointly by the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa regarding the Industrial Development Decade for Africa;¹²⁷

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to allocate adequate staff and financial resources so as to ensure the effective co-ordination and implementation of the activities of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Economic Commission for Africa related to the Industrial Development Decade for Africa;

3. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to report through the Industrial Development Board at its seventeenth session to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983 on the contacts made and the responses of the United Nations system to the proposals for implementation of the programme for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa;

4. *Appeals* to all countries to contribute generously to the Industrial Development Fund in order to support activities related to the Industrial Development Decade for Africa.

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¹²⁰ A/S-11/14, annex I.

¹²¹ A/37/291.

¹²² See ID/B/274/Add.1.

¹²³ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/36/16)*, annex I.

¹²⁴ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/37/16)*, annex I.

¹²⁵ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 11 (E/1982/21)*, chap. V.

¹²⁶ A/37/291, annex.

¹²⁷ ID/B/274.