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OF THE ENERGY RESOURCES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIESReport of the Second Committee (Part VI)*Rapporteur: Mr. Martin WALTER (Czechoslovakia)

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on item 82 (see A/43/915), at its 21st to 26th, 36th to 40th and 42nd meetings, on 24 to 28 October and 8 to 10 and 15 November 1988. Action to be taken on sub-item (e) was considered at the 30th and 42nd meetings, on 2 and 15 November 1988. An account of the Committee's general discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/43/SR.21-26, 36-40 and 42).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.2/43/L.27

2. At the 30th meeting, on 2 November, the representative of Tunisia, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/43/L.27) entitled "Development of the energy resources of developing countries".

3. At the 42nd meeting, on 15 November, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. José U. Fernandez (Philippines), reported on the results of the informal

* The report of the Committee on this item will be issued in nine parts (see also A/43/915 and Add.1-4 and 6-8).

consultations held on the draft resolution and, on behalf of the sponsors, orally revised operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution, which read:

"3. Notes with concern that the overall energy exploration and development trends in the developing countries have been on the decline in recent years, and therefore requests the Secretary-General to outline a comprehensive programme of action aimed at the acceleration of the exploration and development of the energy resources of the developing countries;"

to read as follows:

"3. Notes with concern that the energy exploration and development trends in developing countries have been on the decline in recent years, and therefore requests the Secretary-General to outline a programme of action aimed at the acceleration of the exploration and development of the energy resources of developing countries;"

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/43/L.27, as orally revised (see para. 5).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

5. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Development of the energy resources of developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, contained in its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, contained in its resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, and the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980,

Recalling also its resolution 40/208 of 17 December 1985 on the development of the energy resources of developing countries,

Reaffirming the importance of the development of the energy resources of developing countries and the need for measures by the international community to assist and support the efforts of the developing countries, in particular the energy-deficient among them, for developing their energy resources, in order to meet their needs through co-operation, assistance and investment in the field of conventional and of new and renewable sources of energy, consistent with their national plans and priorities,

1. Reaffirms its resolution 40/208 and calls for the effective implementation of all its provisions;
2. Welcomes the report of the Secretary-General on energy exploration and development trends in developing countries; 1/
3. Notes with concern that the energy exploration and development trends in developing countries have been on the decline in recent years, and therefore requests the Secretary-General to outline a programme of action aimed at the acceleration of the exploration and development of the energy resources of developing countries;
4. Welcomes the convening of symposia and other similar undertakings called for in resolution 40/208 and calls upon interested Member States, in co-operation with the appropriate organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to continue to explore ways and means to support the efforts of developing countries in the exploration and development of their energy resources;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to undertake appropriate studies and analyses of trends in energy exploration and development of energy resources of developing countries, taking into account the activities of relevant organizations of the United Nations system in this field, and to report to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1990.
