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POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES RELATING TO YOUTH

Report of the Third Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 23 September 1983, the General Assembly decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "Policies and programmes relating to youth: report of the Secretary-General" and to allocate it to the Third Committee.
2. The Committee considered this item jointly with items 84, 85, 89 and 90 at its 18th to 20th, 22nd to 29th and 31st to 33rd meetings, from 21 to 25 October, 27 to 31 October and 1 to 4 November. A summary of the Committee's discussion is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.3/38/SR.18 to 20, 22 to 29 and 31 to 33).
3. The Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations (A/38/339) and the report of the Economic and Social Council (chap. V, sect. B, A/38/3 (Part I)). 1/
4. At the 18th meeting, on 21 October, the Under-Secretary-General for International Economic and Social Affairs and the Assistant Secretary-General for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs made introductory statements.

1/ To be incorporated in Official Records of the General Assembly,
Thirty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/38/3).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/38/L.14

5. At the 31st meeting, on 2 November, the representative of the Netherlands introduced a draft resolution (A/C.3/38/L.14) entitled "Channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations", sponsored by Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Guatemala, Indonesia, Kenya, Morocco, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Romania, Rwanda, Spain, the Sudan, Sweden, the United Republic of Cameroon, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zaire as well as Bangladesh, Belgium, Malta and the Philippines, subsequently joined by Mali and the United States of America.

6. At its 32nd meeting, on 3 November, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 7).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

7. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 32/135 of 16 December 1977 and 36/17 of 9 November 1981, in which it adopted guidelines for the improvement of the channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations, and 37/50 of 3 December 1982,

Bearing in mind the importance of the existence of effective channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations for the proper information of young people and their effective participation in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies at the national, regional and international levels,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General, 2/

Also taking note of the efforts in inter-agency co-operation to promote and strengthen channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations within the context of the International Youth Year,

Convinced that the existence and proper functioning of channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations form a basic prerequisite of the active involvement of young people and thus of the successful preparation for, celebration of and follow-up to the International Youth Year at all levels,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to give full co-operation and support to inter-agency co-operation and co-ordination in promotional and information activities within the context of the International Youth Year;
2. Calls upon Member States, specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations, in co-operation with youth and youth organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and other youth organizations concerned, to continue to promote actively the full and effective implementation of the guidelines and additional guidelines adopted in General Assembly resolutions 32/135 and 36/17, in particular through informing young people of relevant policies and programmes and encouraging them to participate in the preparation and implementation of these policies and programmes;
3. Requests the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year at its third session to monitor and evaluate the measures taken with respect to the implementation of the guidelines on the basis of the relevant reports of the Secretary-General and other relevant information provided to it, and to make recommendations for the full and effective implementation and the further elaboration of the guidelines as an integral part of the preparation for, celebration of and follow-up to the International Youth Year;
4. Decides to review the question of the channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations at its thirty-ninth session on the basis of the report of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year.