- 5. Further requests the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session concrete recommendations on definitive institutional arrangements for human settlements within the United Nations;
- 6. Decides to take action on those recommendations, at the latest at its thirty-second session, taking into account the conclusions of the Ad Hoc Committee;

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SECRETARIAT ARRANGEMENTS

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General, as an interim arrangement, to ensure, through the appropriate machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, the co-ordination of the work of all the United Nations bodies concerned with respect to their activities in the human settlements field and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session on the progress made;
- 2. Requests that, since definitive arrangements for human settlements are yet to be decided upon, the Secretary-General should take appropriate measures to ensure effective preparations for the discussions on human settlements questions at the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council, bearing in mind the contributions made by the relevant components of the United Nations system as represented in the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;
- 3. Requests all the United Nations bodies concerned, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the Centre for Housing, Building and Planning and the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation, to ensure that the recommendations of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements are taken into account in their respective programmes related to human settlements and within their respective terms of reference, and to make their consultative services and resources available, as appropriate, for the implementation of national programmes of action and in strengthening regional co-operation in the field of human settlements;

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REGIONAL COMMISSIONS

Requests, in this regard, the United Nations bodies concerned, particularly the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme and the Centre for Housing, Building and Planning, to give all possible support to the regional commissions in the strengthening of regional co-operation in the field of human settlements and further requests the regional commissions to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session on the results of regional co-operation in human settlements, including the progress made in the establishment of governmental regional committees on human settlements.

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31/117. United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973,

3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974 and 3439 (XXX) of 9 December 1975,

Recalling also 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,

Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University,³⁷ and the report of the Secretary-General,³⁸

Noting the satisfactory relationship developing between the United Nations University and the appropriate agencies and bodies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Noting decision 5.2.2 of 26 May 1976, adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its ninety-ninth session, in which the Board, inter alia, reiterated its appeal to member States to contribute generously to the United Nations University in every manner possible,

- 1. Takes note with appreciation of the efforts made by the United Nations University to commence its programme activities and welcomes the fact that two of the three priority programme areas—world hunger and human and social development—have become operative, and that the third area, use and management of natural resources, is expected to begin in the near future;
- 2. Encourages the United Nations University to continue its efforts to launch unique and effective research activities on a global basis and to enlarge its network of scholars and research institutions throughout the world;
- 3. Reiterates the importance of full co-operation and co-ordination, within the framework established by the Charter of the United Nations for co-ordinating policies and activities in the economic, social, cultural and humanitarian fields, between the United Nations University and the appropriate agencies and bodies of the United Nations system;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit to the Council of the United Nations University all the documents of the thirty-first session of the General Assembly relating to the University;
- 5. Appeals to all Member States to make substantial contributions to the Endowment Fund of the United Nations University and to give, where appropriate, financial and other support to specific programmes of the University, so as to enable the University to embark on its full activities while maintaining its academic autonomy and financial viability;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Rector of the United Nations University, the Council of the University and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, further to continue his efforts to raise more funds and to submit a report to the General

³⁷ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/31/31) and Supplement No. 31A (A/31/31/Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1).

³⁸ A/31/281.

Assembly at its thirty-second session on the progress achieved in this regard, together with the annual report of the Council of the University.

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31/118. Chair on non-alignment within the United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, by which it adopted the Charter of the United Nations University,

Noting the proposal of the non-aligned countries to establish a chair on non-alignment within the United Nations University,

- 1. Invites interested countries to enter into consultations with the Council of the United Nations University and the Rector of the University with a view to implementing the above-mentioned proposal;
- 2. Further invites the Council of the United Nations University to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the results of these consultations.

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31/119. Economic co-operation among developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3177 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973, 3241 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 and 3442 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, and resolution 92 (IV) of 30 May 1976 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development³⁹ on measures of support by developed countries and international organizations for the programme of economic co-operation among developing countries,

Recalling also 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,

Noting the programme of economic co-operation among developing countries, adopted at the Third Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven, held at Manila from 26 January to 7 February 1976,40

Noting also the decisions of the non-aligned movement on economic co-operation among developing countries and, in particular, the Action Programme for Economic Co-operation and other relevant resolutions adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 August 1976,41

41 See A/31/197.

Noting further the measures set out in the report of the Conference on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, held at Mexico City from 13 to 22 September 1976,42

Noting that the developing countries have set in motion an irreversible trend towards the consolidation of their unity and mutual co-operation and noting their desire to maintain their efforts to strengthen further such co-operation and solidarity,

Recognizing that, in the context of global economic co-operation, the achievement of the goal of greater co-operation and collective self-reliance espoused by the developing countries will not only promote their economic development, but also facilitate effective and meaningful negotiations with the developed countries on the establishment of a new international economic order.

Stressing that fundamental structural changes in existing international economic relations on the basis of equity and justice are important in providing an enduring solution to the world economic problems so essential for the promotion of international peace and security,

Reaffirming that the efforts towards mutual co-operation by the developing countries do not diminish the responsibilities of all other countries for establishing just and equitable economic relations between them and the developing countries and for contributing to the development of the developing countries,

- Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on economic co-operation among developing countries;48
- Requests the Secretary-General to study the relevant decisions on economic co-operation among developing countries, including the Programme of Action adopted by the Third Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven,44 the Action Programme for Economic Co-operation adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries45 and the report of the Conference on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, 46 with a view to formulating appropriate support measures for the realization of the objectives of economic co-operation among developing countries, and to submit a report thereon, together with the organizational and financial implications, to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council;
- Further requests the Secretary-General to continue to include in the medium-term plan of the United Nations an intersectoral presentation of the activities envisaged to implement the relevant United Nations resolutions on economic co-operation among developing countries and, in co-operation with the organizations of the United Nations system, to secure the same kind of intersectoral presentation on a system-wide basis;
- 4. Urges the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, in accordance with their established procedures and practices, to support measures of economic co-operation among developing countries, including, as and when requested, the continued provision of the necessary secretariat support

³⁹ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, sect. A.

40 Ibid., annex V, annex I, resolution 1.

⁴² See A/C.2/31/7, part one.

⁴³ A/31/304 and Add.1.

⁴⁴ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. É.76.II.D.10), annex V, part two.

⁴⁵ A/31/197, annex III. ⁴⁶ A/C.2/31/7.