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Austria, Barbados, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, France,
Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, India, Netherlands,
Norway, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden,
United Republic of Tanzania, Upper Volta, and Venezuela:
revised draft resolution

Effective mobilization and integration of
women in development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 3517 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the mid-term review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 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, 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, and 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, containing the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,

Taking into consideration its resolution 3250 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the World Conference of the International Women's Year, in which, inter alia, it proclaimed the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace,

Taking further into consideration its resolution 3505 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the integration of women in the development process and its resolutions 31/175 of 21 December 1976 and 33/200 of 29 January 1979 on the effective mobilization of women in development,

Affirming that women and men should participate and contribute on a basis of equality in the social, economic and political processes of development, including decision-making, and should share in improved conditions of life,

Aware of the need for continuing and increased measures aimed at the effective participation of women in the over-all development of their countries,

Bearing in mind the preparations for the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade,

Bearing in mind also the preparations for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, to be held at Copenhagen in 1980,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the effective integration and mobilization of women in development, 1/

1. Welcomes the inclusion in the Programme of Action adopted at the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development 2/ of special provisions on the integration of women in rural development and calls upon the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Development Programme and other relevant United Nations agencies and institutions:

(a) To assist Governments in the implementation of these provisions;

(b) To take all necessary measures to initiate research, projects and programmes which will facilitate the integration of women into rural development, by addressing, inter alia,

(i) The problems experienced by women due to migration from rural to urban areas;

(ii) The need for training programmes which will enable women to take advantage of all aspects of new agro-technology;

(iii) The impact of agro-business on women's traditional work in rural areas;

(iv) The need to encourage women's participation in the co-operative movement and to ensure their access to land, credit and marketing facilities;

2. Welcomes further the resolution on women, science and technology adopted by the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development 3/ and

1/ A/34/531.

2/ See Report of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development, Rome, 12-20 July 1979 (WCAARD/REP); transmitted to members of the General Assembly by a note by the Secretary-General (A/34/485).

3/ Report of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, Vienna (20-31 August 1979) (United Nations publications, Sales No. E.79.I.21) chap. VI, sect. A, resolution 2.

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requests the Secretary-General to proceed with the implementation of the said resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;

3. Underlines the importance of the integration and participation of women in the process of industrial development and requests the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at its Third General Conference, to be held at New Delhi from 21 January to 8 February 1980, to consider this question, giving particular attention to:

(a) The impact of new technology and deployment of modern industries on women's traditional skills and occupations which may be endangered;

(b) Identifying ways and means to enhance and facilitate the equal participation of women in industrial development, both in rural and urban areas;

4. Calls upon the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, to include in the Programme of Action for the second half of the Decade concrete measures for the effective mobilization and integration of women in all sectors of development, which will contribute to the economic and social development of their countries;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the General Assembly at its Special Session in 1980, the relevant documents pertaining to the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women;

6. Stresses the important role of the interagency programme in the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace with regard to the co-ordination of activities relating to the integration and participation of women in the process of development and requests the participating United Nations agencies and institutions to proceed with the implementation of the interagency programme;

7. Requests Governments to provide information on successful projects or programmes aimed at ameliorating the present situation of women in development, through, inter alia:

(a) The effective mobilization of women in development;

(b) The facilitation of women's integration and active participation in development, including development planning;

8. Notes with regret that it has not been possible for the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session the comprehensive report requested in its resolution 33/200;

9. Urges the Secretary-General to prepare the report as soon as possible and to submit it to the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development

Strategy at its fifth session and to the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace at its third session;

10. Urges the United Nations agencies that have not already done so to submit to the Secretary-General without delay the information called for in resolution 33/200 and requests the Secretary-General to submit the report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

11. Further requests the Secretary-General to include in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its Special Session in 1985 a review of developments regarding the effective mobilization and participation of women in development.
