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UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN

France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guatemala, Kenya, Morocco,  
Philippines, Thailand, Tunisia and United Republic of Cameroon:  
draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Convention on the Political Rights of Women, particularly article III thereof, as well as article 3 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, article 3 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and article 5 (c) of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,

Considering that there can be no genuine and full participation of women in economic and social development unless they are fully involved in the political decision-making process,

Conscious of the inadequacy of the information provided by Member States concerning the participation of women in local and national political institutions,

Bearing in mind the importance of equal access to education for men and women to the achievement of a balanced distribution of positions of political and economic responsibility in society,

1. Calls upon Member States to ensure, as regards both education and access to public functions of a social, economic, administrative or political character, conditions of equality between men and women and promotion without discrimination;

2. Requests the World Conference to consider, under the general theme "Development", appropriate means of ensuring more effective participation of women in the planning policies of their Governments and more adequate reflection of their needs and concerns in those policies;

3. Further requests the World Conference to consider, under the subtheme "Employment, Health and Education", the conditions necessary for ensuring the access of women to positions of responsibility which will enable them to participate in the formulation of national policies in those fields;

4. Calls upon Governments to take steps to ensure effective participation of women in the decision-making process with respect to foreign policy and international economic and political co-operation, including steps to ensure that they have equal access to diplomatic functions and that they are represented in the United Nations and other international organizations.