

all the provisions of Assembly resolution 44/211 of 22 December 1989 that require action by the United Nations system, concentrating on those activities that in his view require priority attention.

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1990/83. Programme questions

The Economic and Social Council.

Having considered the introduction to the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 and the relevant programmes of the plan,⁴⁷

Having considered the relevant sections of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the first part of its thirtieth session,⁴⁸

Noting with concern the delay in the issuance of documentation for the medium-term plan and the difficulties that it created for the Committee in its discussions,

Recognizing the importance of further consideration of the medium-term plan by the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* for the work done by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination during the first part of its thirtieth session;

2. *Takes note* of the introduction to the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 and the views expressed by delegations thereon;

3. *Takes note* of the relevant programmes of the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997;

4. *Takes note* of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the first part of its thirtieth session, and endorses the relevant conclusions and recommendations contained therein on the understanding that further consideration of the proposed medium-term plan would be undertaken by the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session;

5. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to make every possible effort to complete its consideration of the items set out in the provisional agenda for its resumed thirtieth session within the approved time-frame of 17 to 21 September 1990, and authorizes the Committee, on an exceptional contingency basis and subject to established procedures, to extend its resumed session to 26 September, should that prove necessary;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the timely submission of the necessary documentation so as

to enable the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to complete its work.

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1990/84. Implementation of the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its special session devoted to the question of international co-operation against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 44/141 of 15 December 1989 and decision 44/410 of 14 November 1989,

Noting that the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, at the first part of its thirtieth session, recommended, *inter alia*, that General Assembly resolution S-17/2 of 23 February 1990 be fully reflected in the proposed medium-term plan,⁴⁹

Reaffirming the fundamental importance of the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution S-17/2,

1. *Strongly affirms* the need for the full implementation of all the mandates and activities included in the Global Programme of Action adopted by the General Assembly at its seventeenth special session and for the effective follow-up thereof;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a statement of the programme budget implications of all mandates and activities included in the Global Programme of Action, in a timely manner, to the relevant committees of the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session, in accordance with the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation, in order to provide Member States with a detailed and precise specification of the mandates and activities of the United Nations drug control units and the extent and nature of the resources required to fully implement their responsibilities.

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1990/85. Consumer protection

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 39/248 of 9 April 1985, in which the Assembly adopted guidelines for consumer protection,

⁴⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/45/6)*.

⁴⁸ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 16 (A/45/16)

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*, part I, para. 39.

Recalling also its own resolution 1988/61 of 27 July 1983, in which Governments were urged to implement the guidelines for consumer protection and the Secretary-General was requested to provide assistance to Governments in that regard,

Noting with satisfaction the recommendations of the United Nations Regional Seminar on Consumer Protection for Asia and the Pacific, held at the headquarters of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, from 19 to 22 June 1990,⁵⁰

Aware that the need for assistance in the area of consumer protection, particularly in developing countries, still remains great,

Recognizing the role of non-governmental organizations in promoting the implementation of the guidelines and the growing awareness by the private sector of the benefits of consumer policies,

Noting the efforts currently being undertaken within the United Nations system in promoting the implementation of the guidelines on consumer protection,

1. *Commends* the Secretary-General for his report on consumer protection, prepared pursuant to Council resolution 1988/61;⁵¹

2. *Urges* all Governments to continue their efforts to implement the guidelines for consumer protection and establish appropriate means to co-ordinate policies and programmes for consumer protection;

3. *Encourages* Governments to collaborate, as appropriate, in joint efforts for the protection of consumers, including the development of product safety standards and testing procedures, and in the exchange of information and advisory services;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the development funds and programmes of the United Nations, the regional commissions and other relevant agencies and bodies of the United Nations system, to continue to provide assistance to Governments, in particular those of developing countries and other interested countries, in implementing the guidelines on consumer protection, and to develop a programme of action for the next five years on the implementation of the guidelines; such a programme, to be reviewed on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the guidelines, should be implemented subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources and should involve specific activities such as the convening of regional seminars and follow-up activities, a survey of consumer protection measures undertaken within the framework of the guidelines for consumer protection, the provision of advisory services to Governments, in particular those of developing countries, at their request, and the elaboration of specific guidelines in areas of emerging concern;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session on 1992 on the implementation of the present resolution.

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1990/86. Prevention and control of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1989/108 of 27 July 1989, General Assembly resolution 44/233 of 22 December 1989, relevant resolutions of the World Health Assembly as well as relevant resolutions of other organizations of the United Nations system, the London Declaration on AIDS Prevention⁵² and the deliberations of the Sixth International Conference on AIDS, held at San Francisco, United States of America, in June 1990,

Recalling also the Paris Declaration on Women, Children and the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), World Health Assembly resolution WHA 43.10 of 16 May 1990 on women, children and AIDS,⁵³

Acknowledging the established leadership of the World Health Organization in directing and co-ordinating AIDS prevention, control, education and research,

Noting with appreciation the efforts of other organizations of the United Nations system, as well as Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the public and private sectors, in combating the spread of AIDS,

Stressing the need to take full advantage of the World Health Organization/United Nations Development Programme Alliance to Combat AIDS and to strengthen its role in facilitating the implementation at the country level of the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS,

Aware that AIDS can have serious social and economic consequences, particularly in countries with a high incidence of infection from the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and limited public health services and other development resources,

Reaffirming that the struggle against AIDS should be consistent with and divert neither attention nor resources from other national public health priorities and development goals and should not divert international efforts and resources needed for overall health priorities,

⁵⁰ E/1990/76/Add.1, annex.

⁵¹ E/1990/76.

⁵² A/43/341-E/1988/80, annex, appendix I.

⁵³ See World Health Organization, *Forty-third World Health Assembly, Geneva, 7-18 May 1990, Resolutions and Decisions, Annexes* (WHA/4-3/1990/REC/1).