- 3. Urges Governments that have pledged contributions of commodities or services for the period 1966-1968 to make every possible effort to carry over and make available for the period 1969-1970 any portion of such pledges that may remain unused at the end of 1968, and to indicate their readiness to effect such carry-over when announcing pledges at the 1968 pledging conference;
- 4. Decides that the following pledging conference, subject to the review provided for in General Assembly resolution 2095 (XX), should be convened, at the latest, early in 1970, at which time Governments would be invited to pledge contributions for 1971 and 1972, with a view to reaching whatever target may be recommended by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

1623rd plenary meeting, 8 December 1967.

2296 (XXII). Second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2085 (XX) of 20 December 1965 on the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2206 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on the second session of the Conference and 2209 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on the implementation of the recommendations made by the Conference at its first session,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolutions 1266 (XLIII) of 3 August 1967 and 1282 (XLIII) of 1 November 1967,

Having considered the annual report of the Trade and Development Board for the period from 25 September 1966 to 9 September 1967,¹⁸

Noting with great interest the Charter of Algiers adopted by the ministerial meeting of the group of seventy-seven developing countries, submitted to the General Assembly at its twenty-second session, is in particular part two entitled "Programme of action", regarded by the developing countries as the most urgent and immediate step to be taken by the Conference,

Expressing serious concern at the lack of progress in solving, in the light of the Final Act adopted by the Conference at its first session, substantive problems of international trade and development with which the Conference was faced and at the adverse economic trends, which have contributed to the continuing unsatisfactory economic situation of the developing countries.

Recognizing the urgent need for improving the economic situation of the developing countries through the adoption of appropriate measures on the part of both developed and developing countries, thus contributing to the elaboration of an international development strategy.

Recognising further the need for the Conference at its second session to concentrate on fundamental and specific subjects with a view to achieving practical and concrete results by means of negotiation aimed at securing the greatest measure of agreement in order to solve

the urgent problems of international trade and development, in particular those of developing countries,

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Trade and Development Board for the period from 25 September 1960 to 9 September 1967 and, in particular, of the agreement reached at the fifth session of the Board on the various aspects of the preparatory work for the second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;
- 2. Invites the Governments of the States members of the Conference to give serious consideration, in their preparations for the second session of the Conference, to the Charter of Algiers, in particular to part two entitled "Programme of action", bearing in mind that special measures are to be worked out for the less developed of the developing countries, as suggested in that Charter;
- 3. Draws the attention of the Conference to the statement made by the President of the Trade and Development Board at its fifth session,²⁰ which was commended by the spokesmen for the groups of member States as a valuable guide to the work of the Conference, in particular the following part:
 - "Our discussions have above all enabled us to clarify the objectives of the Conference. These have been defined with certain shades of meaning. I think, however, that a consensus has emerged on three basic objectives that can be stated thus:
 - "(a) To re-evaluate the economic situation and its implications for the implementation of the recommendations of the first session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;
 - "(b) To achieve, through appropriate forms of negotiation, specific results that ensure real progress in international co-operation for development;
 - "(c) To explore and investigate matters requiring more thorough study before agreements can be envisaged";
- 4. Renews its appeal to the Governments of the States members of the Conference to make the maximum efforts, both in their preparations for the second session and during the deliberations of the Conference, to ensure its success with a view to the fulfilment of its basic objectives;
- 5. Decides to consider at its twenty-third session, as a matter of high priority, the results of the second session of the Conference.

1626th plenary meeting, 12 December 1967.

2297 (XXII). International Trade Centre

The General Assembly,

Conscious of the particular needs of the developing countries for international assistance in promoting their exports,

Considering that several recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its first session call for international action to help the developing countries in marketing and promoting their exports, in particular the recommendations con-

¹⁸ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/6714).

¹⁹ Ibid., Twenty-second Session, Annexes, agenda item 38, document A/C.2/237.

²⁰ Ibid., Twenty-second Session, Supplement No. 14 (K/6774) para. 31.