

Commending the encouraging results achieved in the field of inter-agency co-operation with the support of the Governments concerned and the other members of the United Nations system and noting with appreciation the untiring activities of the non-governmental organizations working on behalf of refugees,

Noting that the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme has approved an increased programme to cover additional needs of refugees, particularly in Africa,

Noting with appreciation the sizable increase in contributions from certain countries, and also the increase in the number of contributing countries,

Expressing concern, however, about the difficulties still facing the High Commissioner in financing his programme,

1. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to continue to provide international protection and assistance to refugees who are his concern, while giving special attention to new groups of refugees, particularly in Africa, in conformity with the relevant General Assembly resolutions and the directives of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to continue to lend their support to the High Commissioner's humanitarian task by:

(a) Facilitating the voluntary repatriation, local integration or resettlement of refugees who are the High Commissioner's concern;

(b) Improving the legal status of refugees residing in their territory, *inter alia*, by acceding to the international instruments relating to refugees and by treating new refugee situations in accordance with the principles and spirit of the Declaration on Territorial Asylum and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

(c) Providing the High Commissioner with the necessary means of accomplishing the task incumbent upon him and, in particular, by enabling him to reach the financial targets established with the approval of the Executive Committee;

(d) Drawing the attention of the governing bodies of other organs in the United Nations system to the need to support the High Commissioner in his efforts to ensure that the requirements of refugees, including education and training, are taken into full account.

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6 December 1968.*

2432 (XXIII). United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Having considered chapter XIII, section B, of the report of the Economic and Social Council,¹¹ dealing with the United Nations Children's Fund,

Welcoming the emphasis placed by the United Nations Children's Fund upon considering the needs of the child as a whole and, to that end, aiding programmes to improve the health, nutrition, education and general well-being of the younger generation in developing countries,

Recognizing that these programmes are essential in achieving the goals of the United Nations in promoting development,

¹¹ *Ibid.*, Twenty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/7203).

Noting that the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund at its June 1968 session, continuing its practice of periodic reviews of programmes of the Fund, considered an assessment of education projects jointly assisted by the Fund and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Noting further with satisfaction the prominence given by the United Nations Children's Fund to supporting national training schemes in many fields which contribute directly to the preparation of human resources essential for social as well as economic development,

Observing with approval that the United Nations Children's Fund continues to respond to the emergency needs of mothers and children,

Deeply concerned, however, at the magnitude of the unfulfilled needs of children in the developing countries and at the increasing demands on the United Nations Children's Fund for long-range aid and, more recently, for emergencies,

1. *Endorses* the policies and programmes of the United Nations Children's Fund to aid countries to protect and prepare the younger generation within the larger context of national development;

2. *Commends* the United Nations Children's Fund for its continued close co-operation with other members of the United Nations system of organizations;

3. *Appeals* to Governments and other donors to increase substantially their contributions to the United Nations Children's Fund so that its present goal of an annual income of \$50 million can be attained no later than the end of the present United Nations Development Decade;

4. *Welcomes* the appeal of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for special contributions to meet the emergency needs of mothers and children;

5. *Calls upon* national and international bodies with responsibility for multilateral and bilateral aid to consider how their programmes might take account of the needs of children and youth to the fullest possible extent.

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19 December 1968.*

2433 (XXIII). International control of psychotropic substances

The General Assembly,

Concerned at the epidemic spread of the abuse of psychotropic substances not yet under international control and considering the responsibilities exercised by the United Nations in that field under Chapter IX of the Charter of the United Nations,

Bearing in mind the reports of the Economic and Social Council and of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs issued in 1966,¹² 1967¹³ and 1968¹⁴ and the work of the World Health Organization,

¹² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/6303); Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4140).*

¹³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/6703); Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4294).*

¹⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/7203); Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4455).*