

2767 (XXVI). United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its past resolutions relating to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, particularly resolution 2640 (XXV) of 19 November 1970, and the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council on the same subject,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;¹

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the increasing effectiveness of the Institute in the discharge of its responsibilities;

3. *Expresses the hope* that the Institute will have greater and wider financial support.

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2768 (XXVI). Identification of the least developed among the developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, in which it provided a separate section in the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade on special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries to enhance their capacity to benefit fully and equitably from the policy measures of the Decade,

Further recalling its resolution 2724 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, in which it affirmed the urgency of identifying the least developed among the developing countries in order to enable those countries to benefit as early as possible from the special measures in their favour adopted in the various forums,

Considering that the criteria used so far for the identification of the hard core least developed among the developing countries need to be reviewed and refined,

Further considering that there is a lack of necessary comparative data in most developing countries,

Mindful of the varying stages of economic development among the developing countries as a whole,

1. *Commends* the report of the Committee for Development Planning on its seventh session² and that of the *Ad Hoc* Group of Experts on special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries³ of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

2. *Takes note* of Economic and Social Council resolution 1628 (LI) of 30 July 1971;

3. *Takes note also* of Trade and Development Board resolution 82 (XI) of 18 September 1971;⁴

4. *Approves* the list of hard core least developed countries contained in paragraph 66 of the report of the Committee for Development Planning on its seventh session;

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/8414).*

² *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/4990), chap. II.*

³ TD/B/349.

⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/8415/Rev.1), part three, annex I.*

5. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council to instruct the Committee for Development Planning to continue, in close collaboration with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the review of criteria now being used, as well as any other criteria which may in due course be deemed appropriate for the identification of the least developed countries, keeping in view the possibility of modifications in the list of those countries as early as possible;

6. *Commends* the request of the Trade and Development Board in resolution 82 (XI) that the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development work out a detailed and comprehensive action-oriented programme, within the competence of the Conference, for the implementation of the relevant provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade in favour of the least developed countries;

7. *Requests* other organs and programmes of the United Nations, including the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to initiate, as appropriate, similar action-oriented programmes, within their respective fields of competence, in favour of the least developed countries;

8. *Further requests* the international organizations within the United Nations system to take fully into account the special needs of the least developed among the developing countries when formulating their programmes of activities or selecting the projects they finance;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include information on the implementation of paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 above in the reports to be submitted by him under paragraph 83 of General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV).

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2800 (XXVI). Dissemination of information and mobilization of public opinion relative to the review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1357 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 on the mobilization of public opinion in developed and developing countries regarding the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its resolution 2567 (XXIV) of 13 December 1969 on the mobilization of public opinion and taking note of the administrative arrangements for the Centre for Economic and Social Information which the Secretary-General has made in pursuance of that resolution,

Bearing in mind paragraph 84 of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, contained in resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, on the mobilization of public opinion, which is an essential component of the Strategy,