

including the structural reforms that may be necessary;

3. *Invites* developed countries to consider ways of enlarging the volume of their concessionary assistance and thus enhance the capacity of developing countries to eradicate mass poverty and unemployment among the poorest sections of their communities;

4. *Urges* organizations within the United Nations system, in co-operation with the Secretary-General, to give due consideration to the development and implementation of measures to assist the developing countries in raising the level of living of their low-income groups;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the progress of the implementation of the present resolution.

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3019 (XXVII). United Nations Fund for Population Activities

The General Assembly,

Recalling its invitation and the requests set forth in its resolution 2815 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971,

Welcoming the Secretary-General's note⁸² with interim recommendations requiring urgent action to achieve improvements in the administrative machinery of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities aimed at the efficient and expeditious delivery of population programmes,

Expressing its appreciation to the fifty-two Member States which, to date, have responded to that invitation and have pledged financial support to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities,

Noting from the information given by the Secretary-General that the administration of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities has been reorganized over the past year in order to make even more effective use of its staff and resources,

Noting further that the resources of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and its scope of operations have now grown to a size which makes its supervision by an intergovernmental body desirable,

Expressing further its appreciation to the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and to the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities for their efforts, which have achieved the significant results of the past year,

Noting also the recommendation of the Secretary-General to change the character of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities from a trust fund of the Secretary-General into a fund established under the authority of the General Assembly,

1. *Decides* to place the United Nations Fund for Population Activities under the authority of the General Assembly;

2. *Decides further*, without prejudice to the overall responsibilities and policy functions of the Economic and Social Council, that the Governing Council of

the United Nations Development Programme, subject to conditions to be established by the Economic and Social Council, shall be the governing body of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and invites the Governing Council to concern itself with the financial and administrative policies relating to the work programme, the fund-raising methods and the annual budget of the Fund;

3. *Invites* the Governing Council to organize itself in such a way that it can exercise effectively these functions, taking into account the separate identity of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and its need to operate under the guidance of the Economic and Social Council, in close relationship with interested Governments and with appropriate international and national bodies, governmental and non-governmental, interested in population activities;

4. *Authorizes* the Governing Council, at its fifteenth session, to apply to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities funding principles similar to those of the United Nations Development Programme and to establish the necessary financial rules and regulations, subject to consideration by the Governing Council of a report, prepared by the Executive Director of the Fund in consultation with the Administrator of the Programme, and of the full implications thereof;

5. *Requests* the Governing Council to consider further steps necessary to achieve improvements in the administrative and operational machinery of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, to inform the Economic and Social Council in its annual report of those further steps taken to implement General Assembly resolution 2815 (XXVI) and the present resolution and to submit annually a report on the activities of the Fund to the Economic and Social Council;

6. *Renews* its invitation to interested Governments to make voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities without prejudice to the agreed level of growth of contributions to the United Nations Development Programme and development assistance in general.

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3035 (XXVII). Code of conduct for liner conferences

The General Assembly,

Welcoming the unanimous agreement reached by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its third session, held at Santiago, Chile, from 13 April to 21 May 1972, that there was an urgent need for adopting and implementing a universally acceptable code of conduct to regulate the activities of liner conferences, which fully takes into account the special needs and problems of the developing countries,

Recalling resolution 66 (III) of 19 May 1972 entitled "Draft code of conduct for liner conferences" adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,⁸³

⁸² A/8899.

⁸³ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex I.A.

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to convene as early as possible in 1973, under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, a conference of plenipotentiaries to consider and adopt a convention or any other multilateral legally binding instrument on a code of conduct for liner conferences;

2. *Decides* to establish, also under the auspices of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, a Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on a Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences, consisting of forty-eight members to be appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development⁸⁴ with the same distribution between the different regional areas as was established for the fourth session of the Working Group on International Shipping Legislation, with the addition of two members from each regional area;

3. *Also decides* that the Preparatory Committee shall prepare the draft of a convention or any other multilateral legally binding instrument on a code of conduct for liner conferences for submission to the conference of plenipotentiaries referred to in paragraph 1 above;

4. *Decides further* that the first session of the Preparatory Committee should be convened as early as possible and that the final session should be held at least two months before the conference of plenipotentiaries;

5. *Recommends* that the Preparatory Committee should take into consideration, as a basis for its work:

(a) The draft code of conduct for liner conferences annexed to resolution 66 (III) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

(b) The report of the debates on this subject by the Fourth Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its third session,⁸⁵ including an informal exchange of views on the draft code of conduct for liner conferences and a summing-up by the Chairman of that Committee;

(c) The report of the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development entitled *Regulation of Liner Conferences*;⁸⁶

(d) The report of the Working Group on International Shipping Legislation on its third session.⁸⁷

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⁸⁴ The Preparatory Committee will be composed of the following States: Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Italy, Ivory Coast, Japan, Madagascar, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire.

⁸⁵ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex VI.D.

⁸⁶ United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.72.II.D.13 and Corr.1.

⁸⁷ TD/B/C.4/93.

3036 (XXVII). Special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its third session⁸⁸ and the report of the Trade and Development Board for the period from 22 September 1971 to 25 October 1972,⁸⁹

Bearing in mind the joint statement by eight socialist countries at the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly concerning the Second United Nations Development Decade and social progress⁹⁰ and their declaration at the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,⁹¹

Conscious that the production capacity and trade flows of the least developed among the developing countries have been and continue to be extremely low, and that it is urgent for the commercial policy measures which are applied to all developing countries to be supplemented by liberal and considerably larger contributions of financial and technical assistance for the least developed countries, in order to eliminate the existing bottle-neck in their economy at the production level,

Recognizing that the relevant provisions of resolution 62 (III) of 19 May 1972 adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development⁹² and of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade⁹³ must be applied in practice as soon as possible,

1. *Endorses* resolution 62 (III) unanimously adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its third session;

2. *Requests* the specialized agencies concerned and other United Nations bodies, as well as the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut, to initiate and accelerate the implementation of their action programmes in favour of the least developed countries in the areas within their competence and to submit periodic reports on the matter to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Also requests* all States members of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, especially developed countries, to implement urgently the special measures in favour of the least developed countries contained in Conference resolution 62 (III) and to continue to review the measures they have taken in favour of these countries, as well as ways and means of carrying out those measures, and to provide information to the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on actions taken in connexion with the consideration and implementation of the recommendations of the Conference,

⁸⁸ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4).

⁸⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/8715/Rev.1)*.

⁹⁰ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 42, document A/8074.

⁹¹ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.II.D.4), annex VIII.G.

⁹² *Ibid.*

⁹³ Resolution 2626 (XXV).