

Assembly at its thirty-second session on the progress achieved in this regard, together with the annual report of the Council of the University.

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31/118. Chair on non-alignment within the United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, by which it adopted the Charter of the United Nations University,

Noting the proposal of the non-aligned countries to establish a chair on non-alignment within the United Nations University,

1. *Invites* interested countries to enter into consultations with the Council of the United Nations University and the Rector of the University with a view to implementing the above-mentioned proposal;

2. *Further invites* the Council of the United Nations University to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the results of these consultations.

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31/119. Economic co-operation among developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3177 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973, 3241 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 and 3442 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, and resolution 92 (IV) of 30 May 1976 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development³⁹ on measures of support by developed countries and international organizations for the programme of economic co-operation among developing countries,

Recalling also its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Noting the programme of economic co-operation among developing countries, adopted at the Third Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven, held at Manila from 26 January to 7 February 1976,⁴⁰

Noting also the decisions of the non-aligned movement on economic co-operation among developing countries and, in particular, the Action Programme for Economic Co-operation and other relevant resolutions adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Colombo from 16 to 19 August 1976,⁴¹

³⁹ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, sect. A.

⁴⁰ *Ibid.*, annex V, annex I, resolution 1.

⁴¹ See A/31/197.

Noting further the measures set out in the report of the Conference on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, held at Mexico City from 13 to 22 September 1976,⁴²

Noting that the developing countries have set in motion an irreversible trend towards the consolidation of their unity and mutual co-operation and noting their desire to maintain their efforts to strengthen further such co-operation and solidarity,

Recognizing that, in the context of global economic co-operation, the achievement of the goal of greater co-operation and collective self-reliance espoused by the developing countries will not only promote their economic development, but also facilitate effective and meaningful negotiations with the developed countries on the establishment of a new international economic order,

Stressing that fundamental structural changes in existing international economic relations on the basis of equity and justice are important in providing an enduring solution to the world economic problems so essential for the promotion of international peace and security,

Reaffirming that the efforts towards mutual co-operation by the developing countries do not diminish the responsibilities of all other countries for establishing just and equitable economic relations between them and the developing countries and for contributing to the development of the developing countries,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on economic co-operation among developing countries;⁴³

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to study the relevant decisions on economic co-operation among developing countries, including the Programme of Action adopted by the Third Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven,⁴⁴ the Action Programme for Economic Co-operation adopted by the Fifth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries⁴⁵ and the report of the Conference on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries,⁴⁶ with a view to formulating appropriate support measures for the realization of the objectives of economic co-operation among developing countries, and to submit a report thereon, together with the organizational and financial implications, to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to continue to include in the medium-term plan of the United Nations an intersectoral presentation of the activities envisaged to implement the relevant United Nations resolutions on economic co-operation among developing countries and, in co-operation with the organizations of the United Nations system, to secure the same kind of intersectoral presentation on a system-wide basis;

4. *Urges* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, in accordance with their established procedures and practices, to support measures of economic co-operation among developing countries, including, as and when requested, the continued provision of the necessary secretariat support

⁴² See A/C.2/31/7, part one.

⁴³ A/31/304 and Add.1.

⁴⁴ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), annex V, part two.

⁴⁵ A/31/197, annex III.

⁴⁶ A/C.2/31/7.

services and other suitable arrangements to facilitate the holding of meetings by the developing countries in pursuance of the objectives of economic co-operation among developing countries;

5. *Welcomes* the establishment by the Trade and Development Board, in decision 142 (XVI) of 23 October 1976,⁴⁷ of the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries as an open-ended main committee of the Board to consider and recommend measures to provide, in the field of competence of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, as and when requested, support and assistance to developing countries in strengthening and enlarging their mutual co-operation at the subregional, regional and interregional levels, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) and other relevant resolutions of the United Nations;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, while taking all the necessary measures requested by the Trade and Development Board in its decision 142 (XVI), to assist developing countries, at their request and after consideration and appropriate action by the Committee on Economic Co-operation among Developing Countries, in carrying out studies on specific issues relating to trade and development, especially those relating to the promotion of trade and financial co-operation among developing countries, and to make those studies available to all delegations;

7. *Urges* developed countries to provide appropriate support, as and when requested from them by developing countries, for the implementation of measures of economic co-operation among developing countries;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a progress report to the General Assembly, at its thirty-second session, on all measures taken by the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system in support of measures of economic co-operation among developing countries.

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31/120. Secretariat of the World Food Council

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, by which it established the World Food Council in conformity with resolution XXII adopted by the World Food Conference on 16 November 1974⁴⁸ and requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to establish the secretariat of the Council,

Noting that the World Food Council has adopted rules of procedure⁴⁹ containing provisions concerning the appointment of the head and the staff of the secretariat of the Council,

1. *Decides* that the secretariat of the World Food Council shall be headed by an Executive Director, who shall be appointed by the Secretary-General, in con-

sultation with the members of the Council and with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, for a period of four years with due regard to the principle of geographical rotation;

2. *Further decides* that the Secretary-General shall, in consultation with the Executive Director of the World Food Council, appoint an adequate number of staff to the secretariat of the Council, taking into account the need for equitable geographical distribution, in addition to professional competence, and avoiding the appointment of persons who simultaneously perform functions in other agencies or institutions.

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31/121. Report of the World Food Council

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also its resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974 on the World Food Conference and the Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition, and corresponding resolutions of the World Food Conference,

Having considered the report of the World Food Council on the work of its second session,⁵⁰

1. *Calls upon* all Governments and the relevant bodies and agencies of the United Nations system to implement fully the recommendations of the World Food Council contained in the document entitled "Recommendations agreed upon by the World Food Council at its second session";⁵¹

2. *Requests* the World Food Council, at its third session, to take immediate and concrete steps to promote the early implementation of the resolutions adopted by the World Food Conference and by the General Assembly at its seventh special session and, for this purpose, to give sympathetic consideration to the draft resolutions of the Group of Seventy-seven which are contained in annex II to the report of the Council.⁵²

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31/122. International Fund for Agricultural Development⁵²

The General Assembly,

Recalling resolution XIII of 16 November 1974 of the World Food Conference⁵³ and General Assembly resolutions 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 and 3503 (XXX) of 15 December 1975,

⁵⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 19 (A/31/19).

⁵¹ A/C.2/31/L.65. For the printed text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/31/19)*, annex I, paras. 50-69, 79 and 91.

⁵² See also sect. X.B.3 below, decision 31/413.

⁵³ See *Report of the World Food Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. II.

⁴⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/31/15)*, vol. II, annex I.

⁴⁸ See *Report of the World Food Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. II.

⁴⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/31/19)*, annex IV.