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;

- 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;
- 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-

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.

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

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
- 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. 50

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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.