

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations Children's Fund, to publicize the International Year of the Child and its aims and objectives in both developing and developed countries;

9. *Decides* to consider further the preparations for the International Year of the Child at its thirty-third session and to observe the Year by holding a special debate in plenary meeting on the situation of children in the world at its thirty-fourth session;

10. *Expresses the hope* that Governments, non-governmental organizations and the public will respond generously with contributions to attain the objectives of the International Year of the Child and, through the United Nations Children's Fund and other channels of external aid, to increase substantially the resources available for services benefiting children.

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32/110. United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 2109 (LXIII) of 3 August 1977,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at Manila from 23 May to 3 June 1977,⁵⁹

Deeply concerned about the magnitude of the unmet needs of children in developing countries and the effects that a failure to meet these needs could have on the long-term development process,

Believing therefore that meeting these needs should be taken fully into consideration in the drafting of a new international development strategy,

Believing moreover that the basic services approach,⁶⁰ as elaborated by the United Nations Children's Fund, deserves full support because it contributes to the meeting of essential human needs,

Recognizing the need for all Governments, especially those that are not contributing to the United Nations Children's Fund in relation to their financial capacity, to increase their contributions as soon as possible,

1. *Commends* the United Nations Children's Fund for its initiative in regard to the elaboration and implementation of the basic services approach for children as part of a comprehensive development strategy;

2. *Urges* developing countries that have not already done so to incorporate, as appropriate, this concept and approach in their national development plans and strategies;

3. *Appeals with a sense of urgency* to Governments to increase significantly their contributions, if possible on a multiyear basis, to the United Nations Children's Fund, so that an equitable sharing of voluntary contributions will be achieved and that the target of \$200 million in annual revenue from all sources will be attained as soon as possible, and not later than 1979, the International Year of the Child.

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⁵⁹ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/6014) and E/6014/Add.1.

⁶⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 12 (E/6014), paras. 131-136.

32/111. Health needs of Palestinian refugee children

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 212 (III) of 19 November 1948 on assistance to Palestine refugees,

Deeply concerned about the fact that almost half a million children in refugee camps are not receiving the basic nutritional requirements,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in collaboration with Governments of host countries and with relevant United Nations bodies, to undertake a sample survey to ascertain the needs of Palestinian children in refugee camps with a view to averting adverse effects on their health;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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32/112. Target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1979-1980

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provision contained in paragraph 1 of its resolution 2095 (XX) of 20 December 1965 under which the World Food Programme is to be reviewed before each pledging conference,

Recalling also the provisions of paragraph 4 of its resolution 3407 (XXX) of 28 November 1975 whereby, subject to the above-mentioned review, the pledging conference at which Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1979 and 1980, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the General Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened, at the latest, early in 1978,

Noting that the review of the World Food Programme was undertaken by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes at its third session and by the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session,

Having considered Economic and Social Council resolution 2128 (LXIII) of 31 October 1977 and the recommendations made by the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes in its second annual report,⁶¹

Recognizing the value of multilateral food aid as implemented by the World Food Programme since its inception and the necessity for continuing its action both as a form of capital investment and for meeting emergency food needs,

1. *Establishes* for the two years 1979 and 1980 a target for voluntary contributions to the World Food Programme of \$950 million, of which not less than one third should be in cash and/or services in the aggregate, and expresses the hope that the resources so contributed will be augmented by substantial additional contributions from other sources in recognition

⁶¹ See E/6008.

of the prospective volume of sound project requests and the capacity of the Programme to operate at a higher level;

2. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations or members or associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to make every effort to ensure the full attainment of the target;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to convene a pledging conference for this purpose at United Nations Headquarters early in 1978;

4. *Decides* that, subject to the review of the World Food Programme provided for in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 2095 (XX), the pledging conference at which Governments should be invited to pledge contributions for 1981 and 1982, with a view to reaching such a target as may then be recommended by the Assembly and by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, should be convened, at the latest, early in 1980.

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32/113. United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, by which it approved the statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries and requested the Secretary-General to convene a pledging conference on the Fund,

Expressing appreciation to the countries that contributed to the Fund at the pledging conference held on 2 November 1977,

Concerned at the fact that the Fund has not yet become operational as envisaged in General Assembly resolution 31/177,

1. *Urges* Member States and the entire international community to make generous voluntary contributions to the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing countries in order to make it operational as soon as possible;

2. *Authorizes* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to propose, in close collaboration with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, interim arrangements to implement the aims and purposes laid down in the statute of the Fund until the Fund becomes operational, in the manner specified in General Assembly resolution 31/177, subject to approval of such arrangements by the Governing Council of the Programme.

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32/114. United Nations Development Programme

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, as well as its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its resolution 31/171 of 21 December 1976,

Further recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2024 (LXI) of 4 August 1976,

Having examined the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-third⁶² and twenty-fourth⁶³ sessions,

Reiterating the need to reach the required level of contributions to the United Nations Development Programme in order to fulfil the aims and objectives established in the second programming cycle, 1977-1981, and its concern about the lack of dynamic growth of resources for the Programme,

Noting that the results of the 1977 Pledging Conference on the United Nations Development Programme fell short of the agreed target of an over-all growth rate of 14 per cent for voluntary contributions,

Recognizing the need for the United Nations Development Programme to implement fully the new dimensions in technical co-operation, as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 3405 (XXX) of 28 November 1975,

1. *Reaffirms* the validity of the consensus of 1970 as set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970;

2. *Takes note* of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions;

3. *Notes with approval* the action initiated by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, as endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 2110 (LXIII) of 3 August 1977, to reinforce the effectiveness and impact of the Programme, and requests the Governing Council, in pursuance of its considerations on the role and activities of the Programme, to take fully into account the views expressed at the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council and at the thirty-second session of the General Assembly;

4. *Urges* the Governing Council and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to ensure that the role and activities of the Programme are in accordance with the development priorities and objectives of developing countries and in line with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular those related to the establishment of the new international economic order;

5. *Invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to continue his efforts, in association with the participating and executing agencies and co-operating organizations, to strengthen the

⁶² *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5940).*

⁶³ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3A (E/6013/Rev.1).