

2. *Expresses its warm thanks* to those countries which have already contributed, those which have pledged contributions and those which have expressed their intention of contributing to the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women and/or to the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene during the thirty-third session of the General Assembly a second pledging conference for voluntary contributions for the purpose of financing:

(a) The Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women;

(b) The International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to organize an information campaign with a view to stimulating the interest of Governments, organizations and individuals likely to contribute to the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women and the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

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32/140. World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3520 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, in paragraph 20 of which it decided to convene at the mid-term of the United Nations Decade for Women a world conference to review and evaluate the progress made in implementing the objectives of the International Women's Year as recommended by the World Conference of the International Women's Year and, where necessary, to readjust existing programmes in the light of new data and research available,

Recalling that the Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 1999 (LX) of 12 May 1966, requested the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session to consider different aspects of the preparatory work for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, including its agenda, and also decided to consider at its sixty-fourth session, in the spring of 1978, the preparatory work for the Conference,

Recalling also that, in accordance with the request of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission on the Status of Women has considered various aspects of the material preparations and the organization of the Conference as well as the implications of the Conference for the programme budget, bearing in mind a note by the Secretary-General,⁹⁸

Recalling further that the Economic and Social Council, at its sixty-second session, adopted resolution 2062 (LXII) of 12 May 1976, in which it:

(a) Requested the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session to give the highest priority to the consideration of the preparatory work

for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women,

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to prepare for the consideration of the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session a report outlining a programme of concrete action for the second half of the Decade,

(c) Decided to establish, not later than June 1978, a preparatory committee to make recommendations concerning the substantive and organizational arrangements for the Conference,

(d) Invited the regional commissions to consider ways and means of contributing effectively to the Conference.

Noting that preliminary exchanges of views on the preparatory work for the Conference have also taken place in the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination at the two special interagency meetings held in September 1976 and July 1977, which were brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session and will be brought to its attention at its twenty-seventh session,

1. *Accepts* the offer of the Government of Iran to act as host to the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women;

2. *Notes* that the Conference will in principle be held at Teheran in May 1980 for a period of two weeks;

3. *Decides* that the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, to be convened pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2062 (LXII), shall be held at the Headquarters of the United Nations in June 1978;

4. *Notes* the efforts made thus far by the Secretary-General and the Commission on the Status of Women with a view to undertaking the preparatory work for the Conference;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the work of the Preparatory Committee during its first session.

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32/141. Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its decision to extend the activities of the Voluntary Fund for the International Women's Year, established by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1850 (LVI) of 16 May 1974, to cover the period of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1976 to 1985,⁹⁹

Recalling also its resolution 31/133 of 16 December 1976 containing the criteria and arrangements for the management of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women,

⁹⁸ E/CN.6/600.

⁹⁹ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/10034), p. 100, items 75 and 76.

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the management of the Fund submitted to it at its thirty-second session,¹⁰⁰

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the decisions taken by the Consultative Committee on the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women at its first two sessions, held in March and June 1977;¹⁰¹

2. *Expresses the hope* that the projects which the Consultative Committee has already approved will be implemented as soon as possible;

3. *Urges* the specialized agencies and other United Nations bodies concerned, including the United Nations Development Programme, to assist the regional commissions in formulating projects drawn up in connexion with the United Nations Decade for Women, with a view to submitting them to the Consultative Committee;

4. *Also urges* the specialized agencies and other United Nations bodies concerned, including the United Nations Development Programme, to co-operate closely with the Consultative Committee with a view to developing programmes which will contribute to the advancement of women;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to submit annual reports on the management of the Fund and:

(a) To include in such reports a summary of the projects selected by the Consultative Committee for financing by the Fund;

(b) To submit periodically to the General Assembly progress reports on the execution of such projects.

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32/142. Women's participation in the strengthening of international peace and security and in the struggle against colonialism, racism, racial discrimination, foreign aggression and occupation and all forms of foreign domination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3519 (XXX), 3520 (XXX) and 3521 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and 31/136 of 16 December 1976,

Taking into account that secure peace and social progress, the establishment of the new international economic order as well as the full enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms require the active participation of women, their equality and development,

Appreciating the contribution of women to the strengthening of international peace and security and to the struggle against colonialism, racism, racial discrimination, foreign aggression and occupation and all forms of foreign domination,

Emphasizing its grave concern that in some regions of the world colonialism, *apartheid*, racial discrimination and aggression continue to exist and territories are still occupied, which represents a most serious infringement of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of human rights of both women and men, and of the peoples' right to self-determination,

¹⁰⁰ A/32/174.

¹⁰¹ *Ibid.*, sect. II.

Reaffirming the objectives of the United Nations Decade for Women, the Declaration of Mexico on the Equality of Women and Their Contribution to Development and Peace, 1975¹⁰² and the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year,¹⁰³

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 3519 (XXX);¹⁰⁴

2. *Calls upon* all States to continue to make their contribution to creating favourable conditions for the elimination of discrimination against women and for their full and equal participation in the social development process and to encourage broad participation of women in the effort to strengthen international peace, extend the process of international détente, curb the arms race and take measures for disarmament;

3. *Seizes the occasion* of the International Anti-Apartheid Year to be observed in 1978 to invite all States fully to support women exposed to colonialism, racism and *apartheid* in their just struggle against the racist régimes in southern Africa;

4. *Invites* all States to proclaim, in accordance with their historical and national traditions and customs, any day of the year as United Nations Day for Women's Rights and International Peace and to inform the Secretary-General thereon;

5. *Requests* the Commission on the Status of Women to consider, as a contribution to the preparation of the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, to be held in 1980, the elaboration of a draft declaration on the participation of women in the struggle for the strengthening of international peace and security and against colonialism, racism, racial discrimination, foreign aggression and occupation and all forms of foreign domination and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session;

6. *Invites* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session a progress report on the implementation of resolution 3519 (XXX);

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-fourth session, under the item "United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace", a subitem entitled "Implementation of General Assembly resolution 3519 (XXX): report of the Secretary-General".

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32/143. Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1781 (XVII) of 7 December 1962 and 3069 (XXVIII) of 30 November 1973, as well as its resolution 3267 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974, in which it requested the Commission on Human

¹⁰² *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. I.

¹⁰³ *Ibid.*, chap. II, sect. A.

¹⁰⁴ A/32/211.