

Expressing its appreciation to the Government and people of Austria for having constructed the Vienna International Centre at the expense of Austria and for making available to the United Nations offices and conference facilities on a rent-free basis,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 31/194 and requests the Secretary-General to implement fully the provisions contained in paragraphs 2, 3 and 5 of that resolution;

2. *Approves* the decision of the Secretary-General with respect to office Tower A-2, as contained in paragraph 10 of his report;

3. *Takes note* of the statement of the Secretary-General in paragraph 25 of his report to the effect that most of the space at the Vienna International Centre available for the United Nations will be required by the organizational units already approved by the General Assembly for transfer from New York and Geneva to Vienna as well as by the larger units already at Vienna, and agrees with the statement of the Secretary-General that in case it becomes apparent at a later date that unused space is still available at the Centre he would bring the matter once again to the attention of the Assembly for its consideration;

4. *Approves* the additional funds requested in paragraphs 38 and 39 of the report of the Secretary-General as amended by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep under review the question of adequately strengthening the necessary support services at Vienna and to report on this question to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session.

91st plenary meeting
21 December 1978

33/203. Form of presentation of the United Nations budget

The General Assembly,

Recalling that, by its resolution 3043 (XXVII) of 19 December 1972, it established a new form of presentation of the United Nations budget directed towards the establishment of programme budgeting,

Recalling also the decision in that resolution to keep under continuous review the implementation of the new form of presentation of the United Nations budget,

Bearing in mind that, in the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1980-1983 prepared by the Secretariat,¹¹⁴ financial data were grouped under the headings "Over-all policy-making", "Substantive activities" and "Non-substantive activities", as was done in the relevant report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,¹¹⁵

Taking into account that, in its resolution 32/210 of 21 December 1977, it requested the Secretary-General, *inter alia*, in preparing the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981, to submit

a summary of the proposed budget containing the information specified in that resolution,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981 his views on the utility of providing in the summary of the proposed programme budgets for future biennia, referred to in General Assembly resolution 32/210, a summary of information classified under the following headings: "Over-all policy-making", "Substantive activities" and "Non-substantive activities";

2. *Further requests* the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions to submit its views on this question to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session.

96th plenary meeting
29 January 1979

33/204. Determination of activities that have been completed or are obsolete, of marginal usefulness or ineffective

The General Assembly,

Recalling once again its resolution 3534 (XXX) of 17 December 1975, in which it requested the Secretary-General, *inter alia*, to include in the performance reports on the United Nations programme budgets relevant information on the staff and resources released as a result of the completion, reduction, reorganization, merging, elimination or otherwise of United Nations programmes, projects or activities,

Recalling also its resolution 31/93 of 14 December 1976, in which it stressed the responsibility of the Secretary-General to draw to the attention of the competent intergovernmental bodies activities that are obsolete, of marginal usefulness or ineffective, indicating the resources which could be released so that the bodies concerned may take the necessary action,

Recalling further its resolution 32/201 of 21 December 1977, in which it urged the Secretary-General to ensure the implementation of the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 3534 (XXX) and 31/93 in the preparation of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1980-1981 and the performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979,

Having considered the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1980-1983¹¹⁶ and the report of the Secretary-General,¹¹⁷

Requests the Secretary-General to implement fully General Assembly resolution 32/201 and to report to the Assembly at its thirty-fourth session on the measures taken.

96th plenary meeting
29 January 1979

¹¹⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 6 (A/33/6/Rev.1 and Corr.1), chap. 3.

¹¹⁵ A/33/345.

¹¹⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/33/6/Rev.1 and Corr.1).*

¹¹⁷ A/C.5/33/13.