34/162. Preparations for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/189 of 29 January 1979, concerning substantive and organizational arrangements for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace,

Recalling also its resolution 33/185 of 29 January 1979, in which it adopted the subtheme "Employment, Health and Education",

Convinced of the need to ensure the most effective preparation of the Conference, its success and the effectiveness of follow-up activities,

Noting that regional preparatory meetings have taken place in Paris, New Delhi and Caracas and that two more are scheduled to take place at Lusaka and Damascus,

Having considered the report of the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women on its second session,94

Having also considered the detailed proposals for the Conference contained in the note by the Secretary-General,95

- 1. Approves the recommendations contained in the report of the Preparatory Committee for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women concerning the activities related to the preparation of the Conference;96
- Requests the Secretary-General to provide the necessary budgetary appropriations specified in his note in respect of the areas listed below:
- (a) To ensure the participation in the Conference of one representative of each of the least developed countries;
- To ensure the satisfactory preparation of the documentation for the Conference;
- To allow adequate preparation for the presentation of the report of the Conference to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session;
- (d) In relation to measures proposed by the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat, to strengthen the relevant activities planned for the period prior to and during the Conference;
- (e) To make the appropriate arrangements to ensure the success of the preparatory seminars and meetings for the Conference;
- To provide the secretariat of the Conference with the appropriate staff, including staff to carry out information activities after the Conference, and with the resources necessary for the travel of the Secretary-General of the Conference;
- (g) To hold a third session of the Preparatory Committee in 1980;
- 3. Also requests the Secretary-General to seek extrabudgetary funds to ensure the participation in the Conference of one representative from each of the island and land-locked developing countries;
- 4. Further requests the Secretary-General to endeavour to find extrabudgetary funds to provide for the information activities proposed for the period after the Conference;

- 5. Takes note of the provisional rules of procedure formulated by the Preparatory Committee at its second session:97
- Notes with appreciation the statement of the representative of Denmark concerning steps which the Government of Denmark, in line with General Assembly resolution 33/189, has taken regarding the practical organization of the work of the Conference;98
- Strongly urges Member States to ensure their adequate preparation for the Conference, including the presentation of studies of development projects and programmes which have been successful in improving the condition of women and in promoting their participation in economic and social development, as required by Economic and Social Council resolution 1978/32 of 5 May 1978;
- 8. Calls upon Member States, the competent organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies to take all necessary measures, including the use of their information resources, to mobilize public opinion in support of the Conference and its objectives.

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34/163. Policies and programmes relating to youth

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 31/130 of 16 December 1976 on the role of youth, 31/131 of 16 December 1976 on the United Nations Volunteers programme and 33/6 of 3 November 1978, concerning communication with youth and youth organizations, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/27 of 9 May 1979 on co-ordination and information in the field of youth,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on channels of communication with youth and youth organizations⁹⁹ and his note on the work of the Interagency Task Force on Youth Policies and Programmes, 100

Convinced of the need to improve the efforts of the United Nations with regard to the participation of youth in achieving the objectives of the Charter of the United Nations, especially those concerning economic and social progress and development,

Equally convinced of the valuable contribution that youth can make in promoting co-operation among States and the implementation of the new international economic order based on equity and justice,

Recognizing the need for wider and more effective use of all appropriate channels that would allow young people to participate in a concrete and effective manner in national development and in the activities of the United Nations at the national, regional, interregional and international levels,

Also recognizing that, for the successful implementation of the International Youth Year, greatly extended and improved communication with young people and youth organizations representative of all regions of the world will be important,

⁹⁴ A/CONF.94/PC/12.

⁹⁵ A/34/657 and Add.1.
96 See also sect. X.B.1, decision 34/434.

⁹⁷ A/CONF.94/PC/12, chap. II, sect. A.
98 Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fourth
Session, Third Committee, 53rd meeting, paras. 27-30; and ibid., Third Committee, Sessional Fascicle, corrigendum.
99 A/34/199.

¹⁰⁰ A/34/653.