

veloping countries and to include the results of those consultations in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1980 called for in Assembly resolution 33/198 of 29 January 1979.

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34/190. United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy

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 33/148 of 20 December 1978, by which it decided to convene an international conference on new and renewable sources of energy in 1981 under the auspices of the United Nations,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/66 of 3 August 1979,

Bearing in mind its resolution 33/134 of 19 December 1978 on the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries,

Bearing in mind in particular the critical role which new and renewable sources of energy can play in increasing the industrial, technological, production and distribution capacities of developing countries as well as in enhancing research and development in this field,

Taking note of the progress reports of the Secretary-General¹⁴² and the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy¹⁴³ on the preparations for the Conference,

1. *Decides* that the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy shall be held at Nairobi in August 1981;

2. *Decides* to designate as the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy the Committee on Natural Resources, meeting for this purpose in sessions open to the participation of all States as full members within the framework of General Assembly resolution 33/148, and decides that the Preparatory Committee shall report to the Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Decides also* that the working languages of the Preparatory Committee shall be those of the General Assembly;

4. *Decides further* to schedule two sessions of the Preparatory Committee in 1980, the first to be held early in the year and the second to be held in time to facilitate the submission of the Committee's report to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1980;

5. *Requests* the Preparatory Committee to include in its report recommendations concerning the duration of the Conference, specific dates, invitations and draft agenda for the Conference and the work programme of the Committee for 1981;

6. *Decides* that the technical panels appointed by the Secretary-General in accordance with resolution 33/148 should prepare their interim reports in time for consideration by the Preparatory Committee at its second session of 1980;

7. *Considers* that adequate arrangements should be made to ensure equally detailed consideration for those new and renewable sources of energy for which no technical panels have been created, namely, peat and draught animal power;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements to co-operate with the Government of Kenya with a view to holding the Conference there, to submit to the Conference all relevant documentation and to arrange for the necessary staff, facilities and services;

9. *Recommends* that States should designate national focal points which will co-ordinate preparations for the Conference at the national level and provide a link to the Conference secretariat in its preparatory activities;

10. *Invites*, in addition to the organizations mentioned in paragraph 7 of resolution 33/148, interested intergovernmental organizations, in particular regional organizations, and interested non-governmental organizations to contribute to the preparations for the Conference in an appropriate manner;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the concerned organs, organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations system to identify and submit a report for consideration by the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session on the ways in which, pending the holding of the Conference, the United Nations system can more effectively assist Member States, in particular the developing countries, in the area of new and renewable sources of energy, with particular attention, *inter alia*, to:

(a) Concrete measures for the transfer of relevant technology to developing countries;

(b) Exchange of research and information on the latest developments and experiences in the practical application of new and renewable sources of energy;

(c) Provision of appropriate technical assistance, as necessary, to the designated national focal points in the preparations for the Conference;

(d) Provision of financial assistance for the measures listed above;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the organs, organizations and bodies within the United Nations system to provide appropriate assistance, including technical assistance, to developing countries, at their request and in accordance with established procedures, in their preparations for the Conference at the national level through their national focal points and at the sub-regional, regional, interregional and global levels, using, *inter alia*, existing resources to the greatest extent possible;

13. *Also invites* Governments in a position to do so to provide similar assistance;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to accelerate preparations for the Conference also through a programme of public information activities designed to ensure world-wide awareness of the importance of the Conference and its objectives;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session a report on the preparations for the Conference, including recommendations for a detailed programme and calendar of

¹⁴² A/34/585.

¹⁴³ A/C.2/34/15.

activities and other measures—particularly the consideration of the final results of the technical panels by the Preparatory Committee—which may still be required in order fully to meet the objectives of resolution 33/148.

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34/191. Follow-up to and implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan of the United Nations Water Conference

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 32/158 of 19 December 1977, by which it adopted the report of the United Nations Water Conference,¹⁴⁴ approved the Mar del Plata Action Plan contained therein¹⁴⁵ and endorsed Economic and Social Council resolutions 2115 (LXIII) and 2121 (LXIII) of 4 August 1977, concerning the implementation of the Action Plan and the report of the Conference, respectively,

Recalling that the United Nations Water Conference recommended, in paragraph 15 of the Mar del Plata Action Plan, that the decade 1981-1990 should be designated as the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade and should be devoted to the implementation of national plans and programmes for drinking water supply and sanitation in accordance with the Plan of Action contained in resolution II of the Conference,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/31 of 9 May 1979 entitled "International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade", decision 79/15 of 27 June 1979 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on international co-operative action in support of the Mar del Plata Action Plan¹⁴⁶ and World Health Assembly resolution WHA 32.11 of 18 May 1979, entitled "United Nations Water Conference: follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan", all of which were designed to secure the further implementation of the Decade,

Recognizing that the implementation of the Decade will require concerted action by countries, with all possible support by international organizations, as requested,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the results of the third special session of the Committee on Natural Resources;¹⁴⁷

2. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolutions 1979/31 of 9 May 1979 and 1979/67, 1979/68 and 1979/70 of 3 August 1979, concerning the follow-up activities for the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan;

3. Decides to hold a special one-day meeting during its thirty-fifth session formally to launch the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade, 1981-1990, in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/31 and on the understanding that the requirements for documentation set out in that resolution will be reduced;

¹⁴⁴ Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12).

¹⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

¹⁴⁶ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 10 (E/1979/40 and Corr.1), chap. XXI, sect. Q.

¹⁴⁷ E/1979/91.

4. Requests the Committee on Natural Resources, at its regular biennial sessions during the 1980s, to review the progress made by Governments in the implementation of the Action Plan and to provide continued guidance and oversight to the supporting water-related activities undertaken by the organizations of the United Nations system, including the plans and programmes of the Decade.

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34/193. Particular problems facing Zaire with regard to transport, transit and access to foreign markets

The General Assembly,

Recalling resolution 293 (XIII) adopted on 26 February 1977 by the Economic Commission for Africa at its thirteenth session and fourth meeting of the Conference of Ministers,¹⁴⁸ and Economic and Social Council decision 249 (LXIII) of 25 July 1977,

Recalling also its resolution 32/160 of 19 December 1977, in which it recalled Economic and Social Council resolution 2097 (LXIII) of 29 July 1977, proclaiming the period 1978-1988 Transport and Communications Decade in Africa,

Recalling further resolution 110 (V), adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its fifth session, held at Manila from 7 May to 3 June 1979,¹⁴⁹

Aware of the particular difficulties confronting Zaire as a result of the problems encountered by its foreign trade with regard to transport, transit and access to foreign markets,

Convinced that this situation is prejudicial to the development of the Zairian economy,

1. Endorses resolution 110 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the particular problems facing Zaire with regard to transport, transit and access to foreign markets;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to enable the Economic Commission for Africa to accelerate the implementation of that resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-fifth session.

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34/194. Assistance to Antigua, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 32/186 of 19 December 1977 and 33/152 of 20 December 1978, in which it, *inter alia*, emphasized the urgency of rendering all necessary assistance to the peoples of Antigua, Dominica, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent in their efforts to strengthen and develop their national economies,

¹⁴⁸ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5941 and Add.1), vol. I, part three.

¹⁴⁹ See Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fifth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), part one, sect. A.