

adopted by the General Assembly and its related organs in favour of developing island countries,

1. *Welcomes* resolution 111 (V) of 3 June 1979 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development²⁰³ on specific action related to the particular needs and problems of island developing countries;

2. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the action programme in favour of developing island countries;²⁰⁴

3. *Calls upon* the international community to implement urgently the specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of developing island countries envisaged in resolutions 98 (IV) and 111 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

4. *Further calls upon* the international community to ensure that the criteria, terms and conditions governing the flow of bilateral and multilateral financial and technical assistance to the developing island countries shall be geared to the special needs and problems of the countries concerned;

5. *Invites* the competent organs of the United Nations system to consider taking effective steps to enhance their capacity to respond positively to the specific needs of developing island countries at the national, regional and interregional levels, for example by strengthening their technical and advisory services on behalf of those countries;

6. *Further invites* the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy to take fully into account, in the formulation of the strategy for the third United Nations development decade, the particular needs and problems of developing island countries;

7. *Requests* the United Nations Development Programme and invites international development institutions and bilateral institutions to consider increasing their assistance to developing island countries;

8. *Invites* the United Nations Development Programme and other competent institutions to co-operate with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in the programme of activities envisaged in paragraphs 4 and 5 of resolution 111 (V) of the Conference;²⁰⁵

9. *Recommends* that developed countries, international development institutions and those developing countries which are elaborating programmes of assistance in favour of other developing countries should give particular attention to requests for assistance from developing island countries;

10. *Calls upon* the regional commissions urgently to identify appropriate action in favour of the developing island countries in their respective regions;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include an assessment of the situation in the developing island countries in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1980 on the establishment of the new international economic order, called for in Assembly resolution 33/198 of 29 January 1979.

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19 December 1979*

34/206. Implementation of section IV of the annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system

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, and 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling also its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, by which it, *inter alia*, established the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System for the purpose of preparing detailed action proposals with a view to initiating the process of restructuring the United Nations system so as to make it more fully capable of dealing with problems of international economic co-operation and development in a comprehensive and effective manner, and to make it more responsive to the requirements of the provisions of the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order as well as those of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling also its resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, by which it, *inter alia*, endorsed the conclusions and recommendations of the *Ad Hoc* Committee,

Recalling further its resolution 33/202 of 29 January 1979, in which it, *inter alia*, requested certain actions and measures within the framework of the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the *Ad Hoc* Committee,

Reaffirming that the process of restructuring the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system is an integral part of the efforts required to ensure the equitable, full and effective participation of the developing countries in the formulation and application of all decisions within the United Nations system in the field of development and international economic co-operation,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the decentralization of economic and social activities to, and the strengthening of, the regional commissions²⁰⁵ and the progress report of the Secretary-General for 1979 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system,²⁰⁶

1. *Takes note* of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/64 of 3 August 1979, entitled "Regional co-operation and development";

2. *Emphasizes* the need for more vigorous action to enable the regional commissions to play their role fully as the main general economic and social development centres within the United Nations system for their respective regions, through full and effective implementation of the provisions of paragraphs 19, 23 and 26 of section IV of the annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in accordance with section V, paragraph 4, of General Assembly resolution 33/202, to intensify, through *inter alia* the redeployment of existing posts from United Nations Headquarters to the regional commissions, the development and application of the decentralization measures contemplated in his reports on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, submitted to the Economic and Social Council at

²⁰³ *Ibid.*, Fifth Session, vol. I, Report and Annexes (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), part one, sect. A.
²⁰⁴ A/34/544 and Add 1 and 2.

²⁰⁵ A/34/649.

²⁰⁶ E/1979/81.

its second regular session of 1979²⁰⁶ and to the Assembly at its thirty-third session²⁰⁷ and thirty-fourth session,²⁰⁵ as well as in Council resolution 1979/64;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the executive secretaries of the regional commissions, to provide all the necessary support to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination in its review, envisaged in paragraph 6 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/64, of policy and programme issues relating to the distribution of tasks and responsibilities between the regional commissions and other United Nations units, programmes and organs concerned;

5. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to prepare, in co-operation with the executive secretaries of the regional commissions, proposals for enhancing the collective involvement of the countries of each region in the identification and initiation of regional projects and activities as well as in the determination of priorities for intercountry programmes;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session a report on the implementation of the above-mentioned measures.

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34/207. Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly in 1980²⁰⁸

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind 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 its resolution 32/174 of 19 December 1977, in which it decided, *inter alia*, to convene a special session of the General Assembly in 1980, and its resolution 33/198 of 29 January 1979 on the preparations for that special session,

Recalling also its resolution 33/193 of 29 January 1979 on the preparations for an international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade,

Recognizing the need for the special session to produce results commensurate with both the gravity of the current international economic situation and the magnitude of the current economic problems,

Noting the Economic Declaration adopted by the Sixth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries, held at Havana from 3 to 9 September 1979,²⁰⁹

Recalling further its resolutions 34/138 of 14 December 1979 on the global negotiations relating to international economic co-operation for development and 34/139 of the same date on the proposals for global negotiations relating to international economic co-operation for development,

Emphasizing that the General Assembly is requested, at its special session, to assess the progress made in the

establishment of the new international economic order and to consider obstacles as indicated by the various forums of the United Nations system that impede its establishment and, in this context, to take appropriate action for the promotion of the development of developing countries and international economic co-operation, including the adoption of the new international development strategy for the 1980s,

Urging all countries to commit themselves effectively to achieving, through international negotiations and other concerted action, the restructuring of international economic relations on the basis of the principles of justice and equality in order to provide for steady economic development, with due regard to the development potential of developing countries,

Stressing the need for thorough preparation for the special session in order to achieve positive and concrete results,

1. *Reaffirms* its decision that the special session in 1980 will, on the basis of an assessment of the progress made in the establishment of the new international economic order, take appropriate action for the promotion of the development of developing countries and international economic co-operation, including *inter alia* for the adoption of the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade and for the launching of global negotiations relating to international economic co-operation for development;

2. *Decides* to hold the special session at a high political level for two weeks at a suitable time between mid-August and mid-September 1980;

3. *Urges* the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy to accelerate its work so as to be able to submit to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council, a draft of the international development strategy for the third United Nations development decade for adoption and proclamation at the special session;

4. *Invites* the Committee of the Whole Established under General Assembly Resolution 32/174, in its capacity as the preparatory committee for the global negotiations relating to international economic co-operation for development,²¹⁰ to organize its work in such a manner as to be able to submit its final report to the Assembly at the special session;

5. *Decides* that the Committee of the Whole, in addition to making preparations for the global negotiations, should consider matters relating to the adequate preparation of the special session;

6. *Invites* the Governments of Member States to re-examine, bearing in mind the need to establish the new international economic order, their position on the important international economic problems, so as to enable the General Assembly to achieve positive results at the special session;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to accord the necessary high priority to and to provide the necessary facilities and resources for all preparatory arrangements for the special session;

8. *Takes note* of the preliminary version of the analytical report²¹¹ called for in General Assembly resolution 33/198 and requests the Secretary-General to submit and make available to Governments six weeks before the special session the final report in accordance with the outline, taking into account the relevant resolutions and decisions adopted by the Assembly during its thirty-

²⁰⁷ A/33/410/Rev.1, para. 93.

²⁰⁸ See also sect. X.B.1, decision 34/448.

²⁰⁹ A/34/542, annex, sect. IV.

²¹⁰ See sect. II, resolution 34/138.

²¹¹ A/34/596.