

fourth session, as well as the ongoing work of the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy and the Committee of the Whole.

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34/208. Sixth replenishment of the International Development Association and recapitalization of the World Bank

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 resolutions 31/181 of 21 December 1976 and 33/145 of 20 December 1978 on the recapitalization of the World Bank and the replenishment of the International Development Association,

Taking into account the greatly enlarged external financing requirements of the developing countries, particularly for long-term capital on highly concessional terms,

Realizing that considerable lead time is required for contributing Governments to take the necessary legislative action with respect to the replenishment of the International Development Association and bearing in mind that the commitment authority for the fifth replenishment of the International Development Association expires in June 1980,

1. *Calls upon* all contributing countries to take the steps necessary for the early conclusion of negotiations for the sixth replenishment of the International Development Association and to initiate the necessary action for that replenishment so as to ensure an adequate increase in real terms in the resources of the institution, taking into account to the fullest extent possible the rapidly growing requirements of the developing countries for such resources and the effects of world inflation;

2. *Urges* the members of the World Bank to take early implementing action on the decision to increase the Bank's capital to ensure that its lending to the developing countries increases adequately in real terms.

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34/209. United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries²¹²

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, by which it approved the statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries,

Recalling also its resolutions 32/113 of 15 December 1977 and 33/85 of 15 December 1978,

Taking note of resolution 123 (V) of 3 June 1979 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development²¹³ and decision 79/7 of 26 June 1979 of the Gov-

²¹² See also sect. I, foot-note 11.

²¹³ 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.

erning Council of the United Nations Development Programme,²¹⁴

Expressing its appreciation for the measures taken by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to identify and elaborate concrete projects which could be financed from the Fund,

Expressing its disappointment at the very low level of contributions for 1979 announced at the 1978 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities,²¹⁵

Noting that, as reported to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, the resources available to the Fund will be fully committed by the end of 1979 and that, unless additional resources are received, no further programming activities can be undertaken,

Noting further that the demands for assistance from the Fund are additional to, and generally different from, the type of activities financed from other sources of the United Nations system,

1. *Urges* all Governments, in particular those of developed countries, to review their position regarding the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries, giving due consideration to the special constraints affecting the land-locked developing countries in their efforts towards economic and social development and to their needs for additional assistance to overcome such constraints, particularly with respect to transport, transit and related difficulties;

2. *Appeals* to all Member States, in particular developed countries, as well as international organizations and multilateral financial institutions, to contribute generously to the Fund at the 1979 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities;

3. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the executive heads of other related institutions, to pursue action in favour of land-locked developing countries within the framework of the interim arrangements, bearing in mind that each country concerned should receive appropriate technical and financial assistance;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1980 on the implementation of the new international economic order, called for in Assembly resolution 33/198 of 29 January 1979, an assessment of the situation of the land-locked developing countries as well as a review of the implementation of the present resolution.

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34/210. Special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries²¹⁶

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 33/149 of 20 December 1978, in which it, *inter alia*, recommended that the developed

²¹⁴ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 10 (E/1979/40 and Corr.1), chap. XXI, sect. M.*

²¹⁵ See A/CONF.96/SR.1-3 and corrigendum.

²¹⁶ See also sect. I, foot-note 11.

countries, as well as the appropriate international organizations and financial institutions within the United Nations system, should implement the special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries, as recommended by the General Assembly and other related bodies of the United Nations,

Recalling also the special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in its resolutions 62 (III) of 19 May 1972²¹⁷ and 98 (IV) of 31 May 1976,²¹⁸ as well as Trade and Development Board resolution 165 (S-IX) of 11 March 1978,²¹⁹

Reiterating the decision taken by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, in its resolution 122 (V) of 3 June 1979,²²⁰ to launch a Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries as one of its major priorities,

Noting that the first phase of that Programme calls for an immediate effort to meet the critical situation of the least developed countries in the form of an Immediate Action Programme, for 1979-1981, of greatly expanded assistance for the least developed countries, aimed at:

(a) Providing an immediate boost to their economies and immediate support for projects for meeting the most pressing social needs,

(b) Paving the way for comprehensive and much larger long-term development efforts,

Considering that the basic structural and economic problems facing the least developed countries are so severe that extraordinary additional measures, especially designed in the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries as an essential contribution to the establishment of the new international economic order, are required,

Considering also that the special measures thus far implemented in favour of the least developed countries have led on the whole only to relatively small and unsatisfactory results and that their growth rate in real terms of gross domestic product *per capita* has declined in the period 1970-1978,

Emphasizing the need for a greatly expanded transfer of official development assistance to the least developed countries, in the context of a general increase in official development assistance for all developing countries with a view to realizing the 0.7 per cent target,

Emphasizing further that external support should be forthcoming from developed countries, developing countries in a position to do so, multilateral development institutions and other sources,

1. *Endorses* the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries contained in resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

2. *Calls upon* donor countries urgently to implement the commitments relating to official development assist-

ance to the least developed countries undertaken by them in connexion with paragraph 13 of resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

3. *Calls upon* donor countries to consider urgently, as a step towards the implementation of the Immediate Action Programme, how they should best provide assistance bilaterally or through appropriate multilateral channels, such as the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Development Programme Special Measures Fund for the Least Developed Countries and the United Nations Capital Development Fund, in response to requests from the least developed countries for immediate additional financial support, as envisaged in paragraph 3 (c) of resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, in order to ensure that sufficient resources shall be provided to supplement the activities undertaken by the least developed countries themselves;

4. *Notes* that such additional assistance would be for 1980 and would in no way adversely affect the share of the least developed countries in the indicative planning figures of the United Nations Development Programme to be considered for the third programming cycle;

5. *Requests* the Intergovernmental Group on the Least Developed Countries of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, which is to act as the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries,²²¹ to monitor progress under the Immediate Action Programme and, in particular, to invite donors, as well as the least developed countries to the extent of their possibilities, to submit information on the steps they are taking to implement that Programme;

6. *Recommends* that official development assistance to the least developed countries should as a general rule be in the form of grants and that loans to those countries, when provided by mutual agreements, should be on highly concessional terms;

7. *Urges* those developed countries which have not yet done so to take steps as quickly as possible to apply fully the conclusions approved under section A of Trade and Development Board resolution 165 (S-IX);

8. *Urges* donor countries and multilateral development institutions to allocate increased financial resources and technical assistance in support of activities aimed at transforming the major structural characteristics of the least developed countries;

9. *Invites* all international development institutions and specialized agencies, as well as bilateral donor institutions, regional commissions and the relevant governmental and non-governmental organizations, to accord a high priority to special measures for the least developed countries and to give their full support to the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries;

10. *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 special and pressing problems facing the least developed countries;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his analytical report to the General Assembly at its special session in 1980 on the implementation of the new international economic order, called for in Assembly resolu-

²¹⁷ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.II.D.4), annex I.A.

²¹⁸ *Ibid.*, *Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10 and corrigendum), part one, sect. A.

²¹⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-third Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/33/15 and Corr.1)*, vol. I, part two, annex I.

²²⁰ 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.

²²¹ See resolution 34/203 above.

tion 33/198 of 29 January 1979, an assessment of the situation of the least developed countries as well as a review of the implementation of the special measures called for in the present resolution.

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34/211. Proposals for the new international development strategy

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 33/136 of 19 December 1978 on the acceleration of the transfer of real resources to developing countries,

Recalling further resolution 129 (V) of 3 June 1979 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,²²²

Noting with concern the unprecedented widening of the gap between developing and developed countries, as a consequence of the continuing deterioration of the economic situation in the developing countries, made worse by the effects of the crisis which the present system of international economic relations is undergoing,

Taking note of the Arusha Programme for Collective Self-Reliance and Framework for Negotiations,²²³ adopted by the Fourth Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Seventy-seven, held at Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania, from 12 to 16 February 1979,

Convinced that the development of developing countries requires, *inter alia*, a massive transfer of financial resources as a vital contribution to their economic and social development,

Convinced also that a substantial increase in the financial and other flows for development, supporting the national priorities and plans of developing countries, will be a significant help in the effective restructuring of the world economy, with beneficial consequences for all countries,

Taking note of 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 1979,²²⁴

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,

Welcoming the proposals formulated by heads of State or Government during the general debate of the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session for quickly and substantially improving the economic conditions which confront developing countries,

²²² 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.

²²³ *Ibid.* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.II.D.14), annex VI.

²²⁴ A/34/542, annex, sect. IV.

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 33/193, in which it decided, *inter alia*, that the new international development strategy should address itself, among its priority objectives, to increasing substantially the flow of resources in real terms to the developing countries on a predictable, continuous and increasingly assured basis;

2. *Refers*, in this context, to the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy consideration of all aspects of the proposal presented in this connexion to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session concerning the transfer to developing countries of an additional amount of \$300 billion in the form of financial resources, material resources and technical assistance during the 1980-1990 decade, as a contribution to development, of which yearly commitments of at least \$25 billion should be made during the early years of the third United Nations development decade;

3. *Agrees* that the Preparatory Committee for the New International Development Strategy should consider the feasibility and the ways and means of implementing those proposals within the framework of the third United Nations development decade.

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34/212. Implementation of section I 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,