

37/141. Expression of appreciation to the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Noting that the incumbent Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research will shortly be relinquishing his duties,

Recognizing the contribution made by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research under his guidance, through training and research, towards the achievement of the major objectives of the United Nations, in particular the maintenance of peace and security and the promotion of economic and social development,

1. *Expresses its sincere appreciation and thanks* to Mr. Davidson Nicol for the effective and dedicated manner in which he has performed his functions as Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

2. *Extends its good wishes* to him for success in his future undertakings.

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37/142. United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 36/75 of 4 December 1981 on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Acknowledging the value and usefulness of the research on the effectiveness of the activities of the United Nations and of the studies on the future concerning development strategies, undertaken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research,

Recognizing the role of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in assisting, through training and other services within its mandate, members of permanent missions to the United Nations and other national officials concerned with the work of the United Nations,

Aware of the continuing precarious financial situation of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and drawing attention to the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit on the financing of the Institute,²⁵

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research²⁶ and of his introductory statement on 5 October 1982;²⁷

2. *Welcomes* the continuing emphasis that the United Nations Institute for Training and Research is placing at present on economic and social training and research and the inclusion of specific projects on the problems that exist in the areas identified by the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions, in the relevant decisions adopted by the Assembly at its twenty-ninth and subsequent sessions, and in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,²⁸ taking into consideration the statements on the programme of work of the Institute made at the current session;

3. *Welcomes also* the efforts of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to strengthen the co-ordination of its activities and its co-operation with relevant organs and organizations within the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations University, and the continuation of those efforts;

4. *Welcomes further* the steps being taken by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 35/53 B of 5 December 1980 and 36/75 of 4 December 1981 and calls upon the Institute to continue to organize its programme of work and activities and to adjust its administrative costs so as to ensure that estimated expenditure does not exceed estimated revenue;

5. *Urges* all States that have not yet contributed to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to do so, and calls upon all donor countries, especially those that are not contributing at a level commensurate with their capacity, to increase their voluntary contributions in order to meet the needs of the Institute;

6. *Requests* Member States to announce their annual voluntary contributions early, if possible at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to examine all possibilities for funding the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in order to place its financing on a more predictable, assured and continuous basis, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session, keeping in mind article VIII of the statute of the Institute²⁹ and the views expressed during the current session of the Assembly.

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37/143. United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, 3081 (XXVIII) of 6 December 1973, 3313 (XXIX) of 14 December 1974, 3439 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, 31/117 and 31/118 of 16 December 1976, 32/54 of 8 December 1977, 33/108 of 18 December 1978, 34/112 of 14 December 1979, 35/54 of 5 December 1980 and 36/45 of 19 November 1981,

Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University³⁰ and the report on the University prepared by the Joint Inspection Unit,³¹

Noting with appreciation that a site has been dedicated for the permanent headquarters of the United Nations University, thanks to the generous offer of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, and that active steps are being taken by the Government of Japan towards the construction of a building that will house the permanent headquarters of the University as provided in the Agreement of 14 May 1976 between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the University,

Noting decision 5.2.3 adopted on 7 October 1982 by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and fifteenth session,

²⁵ A/35/181, annex, paras. 62, 109 and 110.

²⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/37/14).*

²⁷ *Ibid.*, Thirty-seventh Session, Second Committee, 6th meeting, paras. 13-19.

²⁸ Resolution 35/56, annex.

²⁹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Annexes*, agenda item 45, document A/6875, annex III.

³⁰ *Ibid.*, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/37/31).

³¹ A/37/111.