fied by the General Assembly at its sixth⁶⁵ and seventh⁶⁶ special sessions, in the relevant decisions adopted at its twenty-ninth and subsequent sessions, and in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,⁶⁷ taking into consideration the statements on the programme of work of the Institute made at the current session;

Takes note of the clarification provided by the Executive Director on the mandate and the future role of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research as they relate to the mandates and roles of other institutions active in the Institute's field of competence, and notes with satisfaction the efforts being made to strengthen co-operation with those institutions;68

Calls upon all States that have not yet contributed to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to do so, and urges once again 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 urgent financial needs of the Institute during the biennium 1984-1985;

6. Again requests all States to continue to announce their contributions to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research early and, if possible, not later than the annual United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, and to speed up the payment of their voluntary contributions to the Institute.

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39/179. 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, 36/45 of 19 November 1981, 37/143 of 17 December 1982 and 38/ 178 of 19 December 1983,

Having considered the report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University,69

Noting with appreciation the continuing interest of the Government of Japan in, and its support for, the University in regard to the construction of a permanent headquarters building.

Noting decision 5.2.1 adopted on 18 October 1984 by the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its one hundred and twentieth session,

1. Notes with satisfaction, as the United Nations University reaches the middle of its medium-term perspective (1982-1987), the progress achieved by the University in realizing the main objectives set forth in the perspective,⁷⁰ namely, developing and implementing the University programme focused on five themes relevant to the pressing global problems of human survival, development and welfare that are also the concerns of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, and embarking on a new phase of institutional development, with emphasis on establishing

⁶⁶ See resolution 3362 (S-VII). ⁶⁷ Resolution 35/56, annex.

the University's own research and training centres as called for in its Charter;

Welcomes the reports of external evaluation teams 2 indicating the positive results of the United Nations University's research, institutional relations and postgraduate training, particularly the advanced training of University Fellows who have returned to their home institutions, in collaboration with the University's associated and co-operating institutions in both developing and industrialized countries;

Welcomes also the progress made in setting up the 3. World Institute for Development Economics Research,⁷¹ the United Nations University's first research and training institution, at Helsinki, and expresses its appreciation for the leading role and invaluable support of the Government of Finland in establishing the Institute by providing financial and other forms of support;

Notes with satisfaction the advance made towards establishing the proposed Institute for Natural Resources in Africa⁷² and an international programme in biotechnology in Venezuela;⁷³

5. Emphasizes the continuing need of the United Nations University to strengthen the capacity of existing scholarly and scientific institutions in developing countries;

6. Notes the need to further continue, expand and intensify co-operative activities of the United Nations University with the United Nations, its bodies and the specialized agencies, on the one hand, and with the international academic and scientific community, on the other, which enhance the responsiveness of the University to global issues and problems and bring its work into closer relation with the concerns of the United Nations system and the world academic community in regard to global issues and problems;

Recognizes that the United Nations University 7 needs to intensify its fund-raising efforts to build up its Endowment Fund and Operating Fund and to ensure the development of its activities in a well-co-ordinated manner in accordance with its Charter;

8. Earnestly appeals to all Member States to take cognizance of the progress made by the United Nations University and the relevance of its work to the concerns of the United Nations and to contribute urgently and generously to its Endowment Fund and, additionally or alternatively, to make operating contributions to the University to enable it to fulfil its mandate effectively, in accordance with its Charter and with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly.

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39/180. Assistance for the reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of the Central African Republic

The General Assembly.

Recalling its resolution 35/87 of 5 December 1980, in which it affirmed the urgent need for international action to assist the Government of the Central African Republic in its efforts for reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of the country and invited the international commu-

⁶⁵ See resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI).

⁶⁸ Sec Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/39/14), paras. 3-22.

⁶⁹ Ibid., Supplement No. 31 (A/39/31).

⁷⁰ Ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/37/31), sect. III.

⁷¹ Ibid., Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 31 (A/39/31), para, 106.

⁷² Ibid., para 108. ⁷³ Ibid., para 109.