

these considerations into full account and to include them in an appropriate form in its report on the Decade.

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2587 (XXIV). Commission on the Status of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 48 (IV) of 29 March 1947, in which the functions of the Commission on the Status of Women are defined as follows:

(a) To prepare recommendations and reports to the Economic and Social Council on promoting women's rights in political, economic, civil, social and educational fields,

(b) To make recommendations to the Council on urgent problems requiring immediate attention in the field of women's rights with the object of implementing the principle that men and women shall have equal rights, and to develop proposals to give effect to such recommendations,

Recalling further its resolution 532 A (VI) of 4 February 1952, in which it resolved to request the Economic and Social Council to continue to convene the Commission on the Status of Women for one session each year and the Council's decision of 15 August 1964³² to continue to convene the Commission on an annual basis,

Appreciating the importance of resolution IX of the International Conference on Human Rights, adopted on 12 May 1968,³³ which lays down guidelines for the future work of the Commission on the Status of Women, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1133 (XLI) of 26 July 1966 on the unified long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women, in which the Secretary-General was requested to draw up a questionnaire on the role which women could play in the economic and social development of their countries,

Believing that the work of the Commission on the Status of Women has reached a decisive stage, particularly with respect to the implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the preparation and implementation of a unified long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women,

Believing further that the achievement of the Commission's aims demands a sustained effort at the present time, and more especially during the next few years,

Urges the Economic and Social Council to reconsider its decision of 8 August 1969³⁴ so that the Commission on the Status of Women may continue to meet

³² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (E/3970)*, p. 35, "Review of the pattern of conferences and calendar of conferences and meetings for 1965", sub-para. (d).

³³ *Final Act of the International Conference on Human Rights* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.XIV.2), p. 10.

³⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-seventh Session, Resolutions (E/4735)*, p. 18, "Measures to improve the organization of the work of the Council", sub-para. (c).

annually, preferably three months after the General Assembly.

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2588 (XXIV). Implementation of the recommendations of the International Conference on Human Rights

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1961 (XVIII) of 12 December 1963 designating the year 1968 as International Year for Human Rights and the relevant resolutions thereon,

Recalling also its resolution 2442 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 on the International Conference on Human Rights,

Noting the Secretary-General's reports on the implementation of the recommendations of the International Conference on Human Rights³⁵ and on measures and activities undertaken in connexion with the International Year for Human Rights,³⁶

Convinced that the International Conference on Human Rights provided an impetus to positive action towards achieving the full realization of human rights and the elimination of violations and denials of those rights,

Noting with satisfaction the measures that have been taken and the progress that has been achieved in the implementation of the recommendations of the International Conference on Human Rights by Governments, United Nations organs, specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations concerned,

1. Expresses its appreciation to Governments, United Nations organs, specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations genuinely concerned with human rights which have contributed to the observance of the International Year for Human Rights;

2. Further expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his effective co-ordination of the measures and activities undertaken in connexion with the International Year for Human Rights and for the informative reports which he has submitted thereon to the General Assembly;

3. Expresses the hope that the measures and activities undertaken on the occasion of the International Year for Human Rights by Governments, United Nations organs, specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations genuinely concerned with human rights will be continued, developed and enlarged, and that the initiatives which have emerged from the observance of the International Year for Human Rights will serve as guidelines for action-oriented programmes designed to ensure that the work accomplished in 1968 shall be pursued;

4. Invites Governments, United Nations organs, specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations concerned to continue to give effect, as appropriate, to the recommendations of the International Conference on Human Rights, bearing in mind the

³⁵ A/7661.

³⁶ A/7666 and Add.1 and 2.