

means and personnel available, to co-ordinate activities of the United Nations system in which youth may participate;

6. *Expresses its appreciation* of the recommendations submitted by the Secretary-General in his report;³⁸

7. *Approves* the recommendation of the Secretary-General to convene an *Ad Hoc* Advisory Group on Youth to advise him on activities that should be undertaken by the United Nations to meet the needs and aspirations of youth, including the following:

(a) Concrete measures for the implementation of the proposals contained in the report of the Secretary-General;

(b) Assistance to Governments and United Nations organs, especially the regional economic commissions, to prepare systematic programmes and series of projects to increase the involvement of youth in national development and in the promotion of human rights, with particular reference to the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade;³⁹

(c) Exchanges among bodies having special social and scientific knowledge of, and competence in, concerns related to youth, with a view to sharing their experience in matters regarding the needs and aspirations of young people

(d) Elaboration of programmes for seminars and symposia on youth within the framework of the programme of advisory services of the United Nations;

8. *Considers* that the United Nations University⁴⁰ will serve as one of the important channels of communication with youth and will provide a free forum for the teaching and for the discussion among young people of subjects relating to international law, human dignity and human rights, and also to the role of youth in promoting economic and social progress, world peace, understanding and co-operation among peoples;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the conclusions and recommendations of the *Ad Hoc* Advisory Group on Youth, with his comments, to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-sixth session, which is to consider, among other things, the continuation of the Group;

10. *Decides* to re-examine when necessary, but not later than at its thirtieth session, the question of channels of communication with youth and youth organizations;

11. *Decides* to examine at its twenty-eighth session the report of the Secretary-General on the world social situation of youth, to be submitted in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1407 (XLVI) of 5 June 1969.

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3023 (XXVII). Implementation of the Declaration on the Promotion among Youth of the Ideals of Peace, Mutual Respect and Understanding between Peoples

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2037 (XX) of 7 December 1965, 2445 (XXIII) and 2447 (XXIII) of 19 De-

³⁸ *Ibid.*, paras. 35-42.

³⁹ Resolution 2626 (XXV).

⁴⁰ See resolution 2951 (XXVII).

cember 1968, 2497 (XXIV) of 28 October 1969 and 2770 (XXVI) of 22 November 1971, regarding the education of youth in the spirit of the ideals of peace, mutual understanding between peoples and universal respect for human rights,

Reaffirming the principles inscribed in the Declaration on the Promotion among Youth of the Ideals of Peace, Mutual Respect and Understanding between Peoples,⁴¹ and the importance of their universal implementation,

Aware that the education of youth in the spirit of the ideals of peace, mutual understanding between peoples and universal respect for human rights must be accomplished by measures to encourage youth to participate actively in all spheres of social life,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General⁴² regarding the implementation of the Declaration on the Promotion among Youth of the Ideals of Peace, Mutual Respect and Understanding between Peoples;

2. *Requests* Member States, the United Nations organs concerned and the specialized agencies to give greater attention to the implementation of the provisions of the Declaration, especially when establishing their policy and programmes regarding youth;

3. *Addresses a solemn appeal* to all States, as well as to international governmental and non-governmental organizations having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, to take appropriate action, to foster among youth respect for all peoples, irrespective of nationality, race, sex or religion, regard for human values, and devotion to the ideals of peace, freedom and progress and to the cause of human rights;

4. *Decides* to examine periodically the implementation of the principles of the Declaration on the basis of further reports submitted by the Secretary-General, containing such comments and information as he may receive.

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3024 (XXVII). Increased employment and mobility of young people in the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2736 (XXV) of 17 December 1970, in which it expressed the need for special efforts to be made to recruit qualified young men and women for service with the United Nations through the development of more objective selection methods,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on channels of communication with youth and international youth organizations,⁴³

Noting the reference made in the report to the need for action to encourage and assist youth to play a greater role in the analysis and solution of problems affecting all people,⁴⁴

⁴¹ Resolution 2037 (XX).

⁴² A/8782 and Add.1-3.

⁴³ A/8743.

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, para. 18.

Noting also the reference made in the report to the need to open up the Organization to young people and to ensure their participation in the planning, implementation and evaluation of United Nations policies and programmes,⁴⁵

Noting further the reference made in the report to the fact that only 4.6 per cent of the United Nations professional staff is under 30 years of age,⁴⁶

1. *Endorses* the recommendation of the Secretary-General that the guidelines for the recruitment of young staff members to the United Nations Secretariat contained in General Assembly resolution 2736 (XXV) should be fully implemented;⁴⁷

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to broaden effectively by all available means the base of employment for qualified youth, with equitable geographical distribution and taking into account the need to secure the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, not later than at its thirtieth session, a progress report on the extent of increased employment and mobility of young people in the United Nations, particularly by the opening of specific opportunities whereby communication would best be realized through participation.

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3025 (XXVII). Status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

The General Assembly,

Having noted the report of the Secretary-General on the status of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,⁴⁸

Recalling the recommendation addressed to Member States in its resolution 2788 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971, in particular its belief that the coming into force of the International Covenants on Human Rights and the Optional Protocol will greatly enhance the ability of the United Nations to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion, and will contribute to the attainment of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Expresses the hope that Member States will find it possible to take appropriate action with a view to accelerating the steps that would enable them to deposit their instrument of ratification or accession if possible by 10 December 1973.

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3026 (XXVII). Human rights and scientific and technological developments

A

The General Assembly,

Considering that mankind has reached a point where the acceleration of scientific and technological progress may, depending on its use, either be conducive to the enhancement and dissemination of artistic and cultural values, constituting part of the heritage of mankind, or add to the risk of debasing them,

Conscious of the irreplaceable character of the cultural environment, which will acquire increasing importance with the progress of economic and social development,

Fearing that the world may be impoverished by succumbing to uniformity and monotony in modes of life,

Considering that now is the time, before the trend becomes irreversible, for mankind to save the wealth and diversity of its cultures and to secure the best possible conditions for their further development,

1. *Invites* Governments to make provision, as far as possible, in their national development plans and programmes for the preservation and development of cultural values;

2. *Requests* the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to communicate to the General Assembly, at its twenty-eighth session, his views on the problem of the preservation and further development of cultural values, on the measures already taken by the international community and on further measures that should be taken;

3. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Rights to attach to the above problem the importance it requires.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2450 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 and 2721 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 on human rights and scientific and technological developments,

Recalling Commission on Human Rights resolution 10 (XXVII) of 18 March 1971,⁴⁹

Expressing its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his preliminary reports on this matter,⁵⁰

Noting with appreciation the report of the Seminar on Human Rights and Scientific and Technological Developments⁵¹ organized by the Government of Austria and held at Vienna in June 1972, which contributed considerably to the exploration of this subject,

Reaffirming the importance of this matter and the need to respond urgently to the demand of world public opinion,

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, para. 31.

⁴⁶ A/8743, annex, para. 51.

⁴⁷ A/8743, para. 39 (d).

⁴⁸ A/8788.

⁴⁹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fiftieth Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/4949)*, chap. XIX.

⁵⁰ E/CN.4/1028 and Add.1 and 2, Add.3 and Corr.1, Add.4-6; E/CN.4/1084.

⁵¹ ST/TAO/HR/45.