of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator, as specified in the statement made to the Second Committee by the Co-ordinator on 24 November 1976:<sup>94</sup>

- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council, his proposals for a continued sound financial basis for the core programme, which should include proposals for the transfer, over a period of time, of appropriate costs from voluntary funding to the United Nations regular budget;
- 5. Also requests the Secretary-General, in formulating his draft programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979, to include provision for the financing from the regular budget of a substantial portion of those core programme administrative activities currently financed from the trust fund established in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX), as an initial step in the process of ensuring a sound financial basis for the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and to enable the Assembly to reach a final decision on this matter on the basis of the fullest possible information;
- 6. Decides to maintain for a further two-year period from 1 January 1978 the trust fund established pursuant to its resolution 3243 (XXIX), modified under resolutions 3440 (XXX) and 3532 (XXX), in order to ensure that the financial resources available to the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator remain adequate to meet the tasks entrusted to that Office:
- 7. Further requests the Secretary-General, in preparing his budgetary proposals referred to in paragraph 5 above, to take full account of the possibility of field co-ordination being undertaken, where appropriate, by the resident representatives of the United Nations Development Programme with due consideration being given to the views expressed by the Government of the disaster-stricken country;
- 8. Appeals to all Governments to make contributions to the trust fund for a further two-year period;
- 9. Requests the Economic and Social Council to undertake in 1978 the review of alternative sources of funding for the technical co-operation activities of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator provided for in General Assembly resolution 3532 (XXX);
- 10. Invites the Secretary-General to submit a report on possible sources of financing for such activities to assist the Economic and Social Council in this review;
- 11. Decides to examine further the question of future financial arrangements for the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator at its thirty-second session with a view to reaching definitive conclusions at that time.

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31/174. Ways and means of accelerating the transfer of real resources to developing countries on a predictable, assured and continuous basis

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development

Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 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 further its resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, in which it, inter alia, called for an increased, predictable, continuous and increasingly assured flow of concessional financial resources for development on more favourable terms and conditions,

Disturbed by the stagnating flows of official development assistance, which during the Second United Nations Development Decade has remained well below the target stipulated in the International Development Strategy,

Recognizing that increased volume, predictability and continuity of such flows are necessary to enhance socioeconomic progress and promote more systematic and effective development planning and implementation in developing countries,

Noting with concern that the need for long-term sustained development assistance has become more urgent in the light of increasing economic difficulties which have hampered the continuity of the economic growth and long-term development plans of many developing countries,

Recalling also its resolution 3489 (XXX) of 12 December 1975, in which it requested the Secretary-General to submit a study on ways and means of accelerating the transfer of real resources to developing countries on a predictable, assured and continuous basis.

- 1. Takes note of the report submitted by the Secretary-General<sup>95</sup> in response to General Assembly resolution 3489 (XXX);
- 2. Reiterates its appeal to developed countries which have not yet done so to meet the target of 0.7 per cent of the gross national product for official development assistance set out in the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade;
- 3. Urges developed countries to accelerate the transfer of real resources to developing countries on a predictable, continuous and increasingly assured basis and, towards that end, to consider seriously the various suggestions proposed in the report of the Secretary-General, including wider implementation of the current practices of some developed countries, particularly:
- (a) The pledging of development assistance on a multiyear basis, in order to provide developing countries with more reliable projections of aid on a longer-term basis to facilitate their development planning;
- (b) The appropriation of development assistance in such a manner as to prevent the erosion in the real value of aid in terms of the national currency of the individual donor country;
- (c) The endowment of development assistance with non-lapsing authority to ensure that budgetary allocations unexpended at the end of the fiscal year for which they are appropriated are carried forward;

<sup>94</sup> See A/C.2/31/15.

<sup>95</sup> A/31/186 and Corr.1.

- (d) The reallocation to development aid budgets of both interest and amortization receipts derived from development loans;
- 4. Recommends that developed countries give serious consideration to the establishment of a development tax to be earmarked for international development assistance:
- 5. Further recommends that appropriate policies be developed further to increase flows of private capital to developing countries, including the examination and, where appropriate, the revision of rules and regulations concerning access of developing countries to private money and capital markets to the extent that the situation in each country permits;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session and decides to consider the report at that session under a separate item.

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## 31/175. Effective mobilization of women in development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3505 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 on the integration of women in the development process,

Recalling further the United Nations regional seminar on the theme "The participation of women in economic, social and political development: obstacles that hinder their integration", held at Buenos Aires from 22 to 30 March 1976,98

Reaffirming the importance of the role of women in all aspects of economic and social development and their contribution to the establishment of the new international economic order,

Recognizing that women, especially those at the lower socio-economic levels, are among the most disadvantaged groups of society,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the integration of women in the development process:97
- 2. Urges Member States to implement the recommendations set out in General Assembly resolution 3505 (XXX), to facilitate the equal participation of women with men in all development efforts and, in particular, to ensure that women have equal access to political parties, trade unions, training, especially in agriculture, co-operatives, and credit and loan systems, as well as equal opportunities to participate in policy-making in the economic field, in commerce and trade and in the advanced efforts of industry;
- 3. Further urges the relevant organizations of the United Nations system to strengthen their support of development programmes or projects relating to women;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a comprehensive report for submission to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the effective mobilization of women for development, particularly

in the areas referred to in paragraph 2 above, in collaboration with the relevant organizations within the United Nations system—especially the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization, the World Bank and the regional commissions—and the relevant non-governmental organizations, which should include an evaluation of the extent to which their programmes benefit women.

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## 31/176. Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3509 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 relating to the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour,

Recalling further its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 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,

Taking note of the information contained in chapter V of the report of the Economic and Social Council<sup>98</sup> and of Council decision 182 (LXI) of 5 August 1976 relating to the Tripartite World Conference.

Bearing in mind that the fundamental objectives of the United Nations include the creation of conditions of economic and social progress and development, the securing of higher standards of living, full productive employment and universal respect for the observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the Declaration of Principles and Programme of Action adopted by the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour, held at Geneva from 4 to 17 June 1976;99
- 2. Requests the International Labour Organisation to submit a special report to the Economic and Social Council on the measures which it has taken and which it envisages for the implementation of the Programme of Action;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to take appropriate steps, through the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, with a view to promoting and co-ordinating active participation by the various spe-

<sup>96</sup> See ST/ESA/SER.B/9.

<sup>97</sup> A/31/205 and Corr.1.

 <sup>98</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/31/3).
99 See E/5857.