Drug Abuse Control by giving due consideration to the economic and social development provided in drug control programmes financed by the Fund;

3. Urges all international or multilateral organizations and institutions concerned with providing economic and social development aid to co-operate with the United Nations by supporting financially the implementation of such drug control programmes which include sectors dealing with the economic and social development of the areas covered by those programmes;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of all Governments and of international or multilateral organizations and institutions concerned with providing economic and social development aid and to invite them to co-operate in its best possible implementation.

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32/126.Intensified and co-ordinated efforts to fight the illicit traffic in and illicit demand for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The General Assembly,

Recalling relevant articles of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,60 as well as of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,⁶¹

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolutions 1932 (LVIII) and 1934 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975, 2002 (LX) of 12 May 1976, 2064 (LXII), 2067 (LXII) and 2081 (LXII) of 13 May 1977, as well as the relevant recommendations of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,62

Recognizing the serious health, social and economic problems caused by drug abuse,

Noting with satisfaction the considerable results achieved by national law enforcement agencies, by increasing regional and interregional collaboration and in co-operation with the competent international organizations and bodies, in intercepting more and more the actual movement of drug contraband,

Noting with great concern that the continuing international illicit traffic in both narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances causes the death of many human beings or severely infringes upon their health and thus is detrimental to many societies,

Convinced that measures to reduce illicit demand for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, including prevention, treatment and rehabilitation, must be taken concurrently with measures to reduce illicit supply of, and illicit traffic in, drugs,

Convinced also that intensified and co-ordinated efforts by all competent agencies and organizations concerned with the fight against illicit drug traffic, at the national, regional and international levels, could bring about better results in the interception of such traffic,

Urges every Government to intensify its efforts in that respect by strengthening and co-ordinating its law enforcement agencies responsible for intercepting the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, by providing them with the best and most expeditious ways and means of exchange of relevant operational information with the respective authorities of other countries and by co-operating to the fullest extent possible with the international organizations working in this field, in order to achieve the best possible results and to avoid waste of time and manpower;

2. Calls upon those international organizations and bodies, such as INTERPOL, the International Criminal Police Organization, and the Customs Co-operation Council, to assist, in all possible ways and in the most co-ordinated manner avoiding duplication, the respective law enforcement agencies of all Governments, in particular by providing them with all available operational information related to the illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

3. Invites Governments to take all appropriate measures against drug abuse, including in particular the early prevention of drug addiction and health education programmes, as well as to provide facilities for treatment and rehabilitation of persons addicted to drugs;

Invites Governments to carry out evaluation of 4 their drug prevention programmes in order to assess their efficiency as well as to expand and intensify research in the fields of epidemiology and knowledge of causes and motives of drug abuse with regard to both pharmacological and sociological aspects;

Calls for more extensive and effective co-opera-5 tion of Governments and competent bodies of the United Nations and specialized agencies in order to facilitate appropriate designing and implementation of programmes aimed at reducing illicit demand for drugs and at furthering exchange of experience and information among scientists and experts from various nations who are actively engaged in this field;

Reiterates its appeal to all States not yet parties 6. to the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances to take steps to accede to it and requests the Secretary-General to transmit this appeal to all Governments concerned:

Urges Governments to provide, in addition to 7. the data already furnished in their annual reports to the Secretary-General, other relevant information on the extent, patterns and any new trends in the abuse of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, as well as information on programmes undertaken to reduce illicit demand for drugs;

Requests the Secretary-General to strengthen and expand to the extent possible, in co-operation with the specialized agencies, the facilities available to provide Governments which request it assistance in their work to reduce illicit demand for drugs.

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32/127. Regional arrangements for the promotion and protection of human rights

The General Assembly,

Mindful of the suggestions made for the establishment, in regions where it does not already exist, of

⁶⁰ Ibid.

⁶¹ See Official Records of the United Nations Conference for the adoption of a Protocol on Psychotropic Substances, vol. I (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.XI.3), part four. ⁶² See A/CONF.56/10 (United Nations publication, Sales

No. E.76.IV.2 and corrigendum).

regional machinery for the promotion and protection of human rights,⁶³

Aware of the importance of encouraging regional cooperation for the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Recalling Commission on Human Rights resolution 7 (XXIV) of 1 March 1968,⁶⁴ in which the Commission requested the Secretary-General to consider the possibility of arranging suitable regional seminars under the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights in those regions where no regional commission on human rights exists at present for the purpose of discussing the usefulness and advisability of the establishment of regional commissions on human rights,

Recognizing the important contribution of the regional commissions of the United Nations in the economic and social fields,

1. Appeals to States in areas where regional arrangements in the field of human rights do not yet exist to consider agreements with a view to the establishment within their respective regions of suitable regional machinery for the promotion and protection of human rights;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, under the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights, to give priority to the organization, in regions where no regional commission on human rights exists, of seminars for the purpose of discussing the usefulness and advisability of the establishment of regional commissions for the promotion and protection of human rights;

3. Further requests the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its thirtythird session for further consideration.

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32/128. Missing persons in Cyprus

The General Assembly,

Concerned at the lack of progress towards the tracing and accounting for missing persons in Cyprus,

Expressing the hope that the informal discussions now taking place to establish a joint committee to trace missing persons are successful,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide his good offices, through his Special Representative in Cyprus, to support the establishment of an investigatory body with the participation of the International Committee of the Red Cross which would be in a position to function impartially, effectively and speedily so as to resolve the problem without undue delay;

2. *Invites* the parties concerned to continue cooperating in the establishment of the investigatory body and work out the modalities with a view to activating it expeditiously.

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32/129. World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination⁶⁵

The General Assembly,

Recalling its relevant resolutions, in particular resolutions 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and 31/78 of 13 December 1976, in which it affirmed its total abhorrence of racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid* and resolved to achieve their total elimination,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 2057 (LXII) of 12 May 1977, including the annex thereto, in relation to the preparation of the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

Taking note of the communication dated 4 February 1977 from the Government of Ghana,⁶⁶

1. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 2057 (LXII), including the annex thereto;

2. *Regrets* the circumstances which led to the withdrawal by the Government of Ghana of its offer to act as host to the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and expresses its appreciation to that Government for its co-operation;

3. Decides to convene the Conference at Geneva from 14 to 25 August 1978;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite as participants in the Conference:

(a) All States;

(b) The United Nations Council for Namibia, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/149 of 20 December 1976;⁶⁷

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite to the Conference as observers:

(a) Representatives of national liberation movements recognized in its region by the Organization of African Unity, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3280 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974;

(b) Representatives of organizations that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under its auspices, in accordance with Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 31/152 of 20 December 1976;

(c) The specialized agencies concerned as well as interested organs and bodies of the United Nations;

(d) Interested intergovernmental organizations;

(e) The Special Committee against Apartheid;

(f) The Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

(g) The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;

(h) The Commission on Human Rights;

(*i*) Other interested committees of the United Nations;

⁶⁵ See also sect. X.B.5, decision 32/433.

⁶³ A/10235, paras. 93-97 and 173-178, A/32/178, paras. 107-111.

⁶⁴ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/4475), chap. XVIII.

⁶⁶ E/5911.

⁶⁷ See also resolution 32/9 E.