

consultation with the Governments concerned, ways to involve youth organizations in development activities of the United Nations at the national level.

2. The Office of Public Information of the Secretariat should continue to work in close co-operation with the Joint United Nations Information Committee to provide information on the issues on which the United Nations is working in a way as to attract young people, at the national level, and interest them in the ideals and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

3. Bearing in mind proposals contained in his note on the role of youth in the promotion and protection of human rights,⁸⁴ the Secretary-General should explore, in consultation with Governments, the feasibility of identifying a national liaison and focal point on youth within each country, taking into consideration the networks of national correspondents which have been set up to facilitate communication between countries and with the United Nations in allied fields of social development.

B. REGIONAL

4. The regional commissions should be requested to pay special attention to the question of active participation of youth in the process of national development and to consider at their forthcoming sessions appropriate forms in which regional commissions can assist Governments in this field and establish contacts with youth and youth organizations.

C. INTERNATIONAL

5. The scope of the quarterly *Youth Information Bulletin* should be extended and it should be published in French and Spanish in addition to English, within the existing budgetary allocations. Both governmental and non-governmental bodies dealing with youth should be encouraged to provide material for dissemination through the *Bulletin* and to assist in its distribution so that it may be made available to as many young people and youth organizations as possible.

6. The work of the Office of Public Information and the Center for Economic and Social Information of the Secretariat, in the creation of suitable radio and television programmes about the United Nations and its activities, should be intensified within their existing budgetary allocations.

7. The Secretary-General should continue to utilize the existing channels of communication between the United Nations and international and regional non-governmental youth organizations.

32/136. Draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/136 of 16 December 1976, in which the General Assembly, *inter alia*, approved the Programme for the United Nations Decade for Women,⁸⁵ which entails the adoption by the Assembly of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and its entry into force during the first half of the Decade, between 1976 and 1980,

Convinced that the adoption of that Convention and its entry into force will contribute to the implementation of the principal objectives of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, and to the realization of the principles of equality between men and women,

Noting the work done in 1976 by the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session with

⁸⁴ E/CN.5/528 and Corr.1.

⁸⁵ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909), annex V.*

a view to the elaboration of the draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,⁸⁶

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2058 (LXII) of 12 May 1977, in which the Council requested the General Assembly to take up consideration of the draft Convention as a matter of urgency at the outset of its thirty-second session with a view to its adoption at that session,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Working Group of the Third Committee on the Drafting of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;⁸⁷

2. *Recommends* that a working group should be established at the beginning of the thirty-third session to continue consideration of the articles which have not been completed during the current session;

3. *Expresses the hope* that the draft Convention will be adopted during its thirty-third session;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-third session, as a matter of high priority, an item entitled "Draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women".

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32/137. International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/135 of 16 December 1976, in which it endorsed the establishment of an International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1998 (LX) of 12 May 1976 concerning the same question,

Recalling further the reports of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved towards the establishment of the Institute, submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session⁸⁸ and to the Economic and Social Council at its sixtieth and sixty-second sessions,⁸⁹

Convinced that the early establishment of the Institute will contribute substantially to the realization of the objectives of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year⁹⁰ and the Programme for the United Nations Decade for Women,⁹¹

Noting the preparations already undertaken by the Secretary-General for the establishment of the Institute,

Considering that those preparations should be actively continued and that a preliminary draft document describing the structure and composition of the Institute should be prepared not later than April 1978,

⁸⁶ A/32/218, annex IV.

⁸⁷ A/C.3/32/L.59.

⁸⁸ A/31/310.

⁸⁹ E/5772, E/5926.

⁹⁰ *Report of the World Conference on the International Women's Year* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A.

⁹¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909), annex V.*