

1980s, together with measures that may be required for the realization of those objectives;

5. *Invites* the regional commissions and other bodies concerned within the United Nations system to make a contribution on the basis of their experience in order to assist the Secretary-General in his study of the role of the public sector in promoting the economic and social development of developing countries;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to proceed with the implementation of General Assembly resolution 32/179, taking especially into account the role of the public sector in promoting the secure economic and social development of developing countries and bearing also in mind the evaluation of activities in public administration and finance;

7. *Invites* the Secretary-General to take the present resolution into account in preparing a comprehensive and detailed report in accordance with General Assembly resolution 32/179.

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### 33/145. Sixth replenishment of the International Development Association and recapitalization of the World Bank

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 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,

*Recalling also* its resolution 31/181 of 21 December 1976 on the recapitalization of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and replenishment of the International Development Association,

*Taking into account* the greatly enlarged external financing requirements of the developing countries, particularly for long-term capital,

*Realizing* that considerable lead time is required for contributing Governments to take the necessary legislative action with respect to the replenishment of the International Development Association and bearing in mind that the commitment authority for the fifth replenishment of the International Development Association expires in June 1980,

1. *Calls upon* all contributing countries to take the steps necessary for the urgent commencement and conclusion of negotiations for the sixth replenishment of the International Development Association;

2. *Calls upon* all contributing countries to initiate the necessary action for the sixth replenishment of the International Development Association so as to ensure an adequate increase in real terms in the resources of the institution, taking into account to the fullest extent possible the rapidly growing requirements of the developing countries for such resources and the effects of world inflation;

3. *Calls upon* the members of the World Bank to take early action to support an increase in the Bank's capital of sufficient magnitude to ensure that its lending to the developing countries increases adequately in real terms.

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### 33/146. Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

*The General Assembly,*

*Deeply concerned* about the tragic loss of life and the immense damage to the economic structure and to property, and about the disruption of society in Lebanon resulting from the hostilities during the past four years,

*Aware* of the magnitude of the unmet needs for the relief of the Lebanese people and the reconstruction and development of Lebanon,

*Bearing in mind* the concern expressed by Member States about the grave situation in Lebanon and their interest in its return to normal conditions of life and its reconstruction and development,

*Affirming* the urgent need for international action to assist the Government of Lebanon in its efforts for relief, reconstruction and development,

*Noting* the appeals of the Secretary-General for relief and other forms of assistance to Lebanon and the creation of a special fund for this purpose,

*Noting also* resolution 65 (V) of 6 October 1978<sup>118</sup> of the Economic Commission for Western Asia in which the Commission considered that the needs of Lebanon exceeded the means within the capacity of the Commission,

1. *Endorses* the appeal of the Secretary-General for international assistance to Lebanon;

2. *Urges* all Governments to contribute to the reconstruction of Lebanon, either through existing bilateral and multilateral channels or, in addition, through a special fund to be established by the Secretary-General for this purpose;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to establish at Beirut a joint co-ordinating committee of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to co-ordinate their assistance and advice to the Government of Lebanon in all matters relating to reconstruction and development;

4. *Decides* that the Committee on Assistance for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon, headed by a co-ordinator appointed by the Secretary-General, shall also assist the Government of Lebanon in the assessment, formulation and phasing of aid and ensure its implementation within the framework of the needs of Lebanon;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide all possible assistance to the Committee in discharging its duties and to establish, in the manner he deems appropriate, a mode of consultation with representatives of the countries providing assistance;

<sup>118</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1979, Supplement No. 14 (E/1979/49), chap. III.*

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1979 and to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session on the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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### 33/147. Assistance to the Palestinian people

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 3236 (XXIX) and 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974,

*Recalling also* Economic and Social Council resolutions 1978 (LIX) of 31 July 1975, 2026 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 and 2100 (LXIII) of 3 August 1977,

*Taking into consideration* the reports of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people,<sup>119</sup>

*Taking note* of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-fifth session<sup>120</sup> and of the response of the Administrator of the Programme,<sup>121</sup>

1. *Endorses* the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council concerning assistance to the Palestinian people;

2. *Calls upon* the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, to intensify its efforts, in co-ordination with the Economic Commission for Western Asia, to implement the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council in order to improve the social and economic conditions of the Palestinian people by identifying their social and economic needs and by establishing concrete projects to that end, without prejudice to the sovereignty of the respective Arab host countries, and to provide adequate funds for that purpose.

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### 33/148. United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 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,

*Recalling* Economic and Social Council resolution 2119 (LXIII) of 4 August 1977,

*Having considered* the recommendation of the Economic and Social Council, contained in its resolution 1978/61 of 3 August 1978, that the General Assembly at its thirty-third session should give favourable consideration to and take definitive action on convening

at the earliest possible time a United Nations conference on new and renewable sources of energy and should, in that context, define the objectives, scope, nature and timing of such a conference, as well as the required preparatory arrangements, including inter-governmental machinery,

*Cognizant* of the importance of developing new and renewable sources of energy in order to meet requirements for continued economic and social development, particularly in the developing countries,

*Aware* of the importance of increasing the industrial capacity of the developing countries,

*Stressing* the importance of intensive international co-operation in the field of new and renewable sources of energy,

*Aware* of the significant progress achieved in recent years in the technology relating to the development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy,

*Cognizant* of the need to identify concrete measures for the transfer of relevant technology to developing countries and for financing arrangements, both bilateral and multilateral, for the development of new and renewable sources of energy in developing countries,

*Convinced* of the need to exchange information on the latest developments and experience in the practical application of new and renewable sources of energy,

*Bearing in mind* the report of the Secretary-General on the feasibility of holding an international conference on new and renewable sources of energy,<sup>122</sup>

1. *Decides* to convene an international conference on new and renewable sources of energy in 1981 under the auspices of the United Nations;

2. *Decides* further that the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy should have the objective of elaborating measures for concerted action designed to promote the development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy, with a view to contributing to meeting future over-all energy requirements, especially those of the developing countries, in particular in the context of efforts aimed at accelerating the development of the developing countries;

3. *Defines* the scope of the Conference as confined to the area of such new and renewable sources of energy as solar, geothermal and wind power, tidal power, wave power and thermal gradient of the sea, biomass conversion, fuel-wood, charcoal, peat, energy from draught animals, oil shale, tar sands and hydropower;

4. *Decides also* that, in the light of the foregoing and with a view to formulating recommendations for concrete action, the Conference should concentrate, *inter alia*, on the following:

(a) Analysis of the state of technology related to new and renewable sources of energy;

(b) Identification of the potential, particularly in the developing countries, for utilization of new and renewable sources of energy;

(c) Assessment of the economic viability of the use of new and renewable sources of energy in the light of the technologies now available and those being developed;

<sup>122</sup> E/1978/68.

<sup>119</sup> E/6005 and Add.1, E/1978/55 and Add.1-3.

<sup>120</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1978, Supplement No. 13 (E/1978/53/Rev.1).*

<sup>121</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 55.