37/208. Sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1995 (XIX) of 30 December 1964 on the establishment of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development as an organ of the General Assembly, as amended, 102 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, 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation and 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its resolutions 34/196 of 19 December 1979 on the report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its fifth session and 36/142 of 16 December 1981 on the sixth session of the Conference,

Recalling further Trade and Development Board decision 237 (XXIII) of 8 October 1981, 103 by which the Board endorsed the decision taken by the Latin American countries to hold the seventh session of the Conference in one of those countries on the understanding that the final decision on the venue in Latin America would be taken at the right time and in the right place, and having noted with interest the desire of Cuba to act as host to the seventh session of the

Noting Trade and Development Board resolution 253 (XXIV) of 18 May 1982¹⁰⁴ and decision 255 (XXIV) of 30 June 1982,105 in which the Board recommended that the sixth session of the Conference should be held at Belgrade from 6 to 30 June 1983 and should be preceded by a meeting of senior officials at Belgrade on 2 and 3 June 1983,

Bearing in mind its resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976 on the pattern of conferences,

Taking note of the report of the Trade and Development Board on its twenty-fourth session and on the first and second parts of its twenty-fifth session, 106

Expressing its appreciation to the Government of Gabon for its efforts to act as host to the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and recognizing the reasons for which it was not in a position to do

- Welcomes with appreciation the offer of the Government of Yugoslavia to act as host to the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at Belgrade;
- Decides to convene the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at Belgrade from 6 to 30 June 1983, to be preceded by a two-day meeting of senior officials at Belgrade on 2 and 3 June 1983;
- Takes note of the adoption by the Trade and Development Board at its twenty-fourth session of the provisional agenda for the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;107

Endorses Trade and Development Board resolution 253 (XXIV) that the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development should be so organized as to ensure the attendance of ministers and other high-level policy-makers and to permit all delegations to contribute effectively to its decision-making process;

- Endorses Trade and Development Board decision 258 (XXV) of 17 September 1982¹⁰⁸ on the organization of the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;
- Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to make all necessary arrangements for the Conference, to submit to the Conference all relevant documentation as far in advance of the six weeks' rule as possible and to arrange for the necessary staff facilities and services that it will require, including the provision of summary records for plenary meetings of the Conference in accordance with General Assembly resolution 37/14 C of 16 November 1982;
- 7. Expresses its deepest concern at the serious crisis facing the world economy and, in particular, its grave negative impact on the development process of the developing countries:
- Emphasizes the particular importance of the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development as a major opportunity to review, in a comprehensive and interrelated manner, world development and its impact on the trade and development of developing countries, at a time when the developing countries in particular continue to face grave economic problems;
- Urges all countries, bearing in mind the particular contribution developed countries can make, to work towards ensuring a positive, constructive, meaningful and actionoriented outcome, at the sixth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, on the important issues concerning trade, development and related problems, taking fully into account their interrelationship, and thus contribute effectively to the overcoming of the grave difficulties facing the world economy, to the economic development of developing countries and to the attainment of a new international economic order.

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37/209. **United Nations Conference on Conditions for** Registration of Ships

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 its resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, which called, inter alia, in paragraph 128, for an increase in the participation by developing countries in world transport of international trade and, to this end, for appropriate structural changes to be carried out where necessary, and for the international community to continue to take the necessary steps to enable developing countries to compete more effectively and to expand their national and multinational merchant fleets so as to increase their share substantially

¹⁰² See resolutions 2904 (XXVII), 31/2 A and B and 34/3.

¹⁰³ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/36/15 and Corr. 1), part three, annex I.

¹⁰⁴ Ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/37/15), vol. I, part two, annex I

¹⁰⁵ Ibid., part three, annex. 106 Ibid., Supplement No. 15 (A/37/15).

¹⁰⁷ Ibid., vol. I, part three, annex, decision 256 (XXIV).

¹⁰⁸ Ibid., vol. II, part one, annex I.