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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2009/27 of 30 July 2009, 2011/11 of 22 July 2011, 2013/45 of 26 July 2013 and 2017/6 of 21 April 2017,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 62/210 of 19 December 2007 and section I of resolution 64/260 of 29 March 2010,

Acknowledging the progress made by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in the implementation of its strategic framework 2018–2021 and the achievements in diverse programmatic fields, including multilateralism, economic development and social inclusion, sustainable development, peace, resilience-building and disaster risk reduction,

Acknowledging also the alignment of the strategy of the Institute with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development¹ and the structural reforms undertaken to organize its programme of work under the peace, people, planet and prosperity dimensions of the 2030 Agenda, and the significant growth in beneficiary outreach to meet the learning and other capacity needs of government officials and other stakeholders, including many from countries in Africa and, more generally, from the least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States,

Encouraged by the growth in beneficiary outreach since 2014 through increased training and knowledge-sharing events, in particular with regard to peacekeeping and climate change,

Acknowledging the expansion of the programming of the Institute into new thematic areas, including health and nutrition, and its plans to further develop this field in the areas of access to universal health coverage, vaccination and

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

¹ General Assembly resolution 70/1.



immunization, mental health and good surgery practices, in partnership with the World Health Organization and other relevant stakeholders,

Noting the continued stable overall financial situation of the Institute, and expressing its appreciation to Governments and other strategic partners that have made or pledged voluntary contributions to the Institute,

Noting also the concern regarding the decline in non-earmarked voluntary contributions to the General Fund and its impact on operations and other core functions,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General;²
2. *Encourages* the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to continue to respond to learning and other capacity needs in accordance with its mandate and the outcomes of relevant international conferences, and to continue to align and harmonize its activity with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;¹
3. *Welcomes* the establishment of the Strategic Framework Fund as a mechanism to support the implementation of the strategic framework 2018–2021;
4. *Encourages* the Institute to continue to develop programming in the areas of diplomatic training, mainstreaming a gender perspective and women leadership, indigenous peoples and the use of geospatial technologies, derived from satellite imagery, to support evidence-based decision-making, notably in the field of disaster risk reduction;
5. *Renews its appeal* to Member States to provide voluntary non-earmarked contributions to the Institute;
6. *Encourages* all donors in a position to do so to strengthen their support to the Institute to enhance its capacity-building activities, in particular in the developing countries;
7. *Encourages* the Institute to continue to build and strengthen partnerships with all stakeholders, including United Nations system entities, the business sector, academia, civil society and regional organizations, as well as inter-agency cooperation;
8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council in 2021 on the implementation of the present resolution.

² E/2019/81.