

11. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its thirty-fourth session on the progress made in implementing this resolution.

*520th meeting,
29 April 1977*

176 (XXXIII). Co-operation in trade

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, particularly referring to the specific measures contained in part I of resolution 3202 (S-VI) for the expansion and diversification of the international trade of the developing countries,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also the various resolutions in this regard adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its fourth session,

Recalling its resolution 169 (XXXII) on special measures in favour of the least developed, land-locked and island countries,

Noting the progress made in implementing the elements of the Kabul Declaration on Asian Economic Co-operation and Development,

Recognizing that the developments both within and outside the region since the adoption of the Kabul Declaration have been both fundamental and far-reaching,

1. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to explore the possibility of convening a meeting at the ministerial level, preferably before the thirty-fourth session of the Commission, to discuss matters and problems relating to trade in the region;

2. *Notes with appreciation* the offer of host facilities made by the Government of India.

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177 (XXXIII). Special measures in favour of the land-locked developing countries

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Reaffirming the Kabul Declaration on Asian Economic Co-operation and Development,

Reaffirming also its resolution 154 (XXXI) containing the New Delhi Declaration on the regional contribution to the establishment of a new international economic order,

Recalling the Manila Declaration and Programme of Action,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 31/157 on specific action in favour of land-locked developing countries and resolution 31/177 on the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 1755 (LIV) on special measures related to the particular needs of the land-locked developing countries,

Noting resolution 98 (IV) adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the least developed among the developing countries, developing island countries and developing land-locked countries,

Recalling its resolution 169 (XXXII) on special measures in favour of the least developed, land-locked and island countries,

Appreciating the continued support by UNDP of project activities relating to least developed land-locked countries of the region,

1. *Calls upon* all Member States of the United Nations in general and those of the Asia and Pacific region in particular to the extent possible:

(a) To provide the necessary assistance to land-locked developing countries of the region through the adoption of practical measures to facilitate their free access to and from the sea and alleviate the transit difficulties of the land-locked countries of the region;

(b) To consider the application of single and multimodal customs, facilitation and transport conventions, such as the TIR Convention,¹ so as to achieve more integrated and free-flowing circulation of road, rail, sea and air transport;

¹ Customs Convention on the International Transport of goods under cover of TIR (Transport International Routier) Carnets.