

to technical co-operation among developing countries in the area of the integration of women in development;

5. *Requests* donor countries to provide greater support to the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women in order that work pertaining to the integration of women in development is further enhanced and taken up as a sustained, continuous activity;

6. *Calls upon* the United Nations Development Programme, other United Nations bodies and specialized agencies and international financial institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations:

(a) To assist Governments in the implementation of the recommendations of the Regional Preparatory Conference;

(b) To provide adequate programme support at the country and regional levels for achieving the integration of women in the development process;

(c) To incorporate programmes and activities for women as an integral part of their plans;

(d) To assess the impact on women of the projects financed by them.

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#### **204 (XXXVI). Special measures in favour of the least developed countries**

*The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,*

*Reaffirming* its resolution 178 (XXXIII) of 29 April 1977 on special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries,

*Recalling* resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development of 3 June 1979, in which the Conference decided, as one of its priorities, to launch a Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries, in two phases, comprising an Immediate Action Programme (1979-1981) and a Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s,

*Noting* General Assembly resolution 34/210 of 19 December 1979, in which the Assembly endorsed the Comprehensive New Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries,

*Noting also* General Assembly resolution 34/203 of 19 December 1979, in which the Assembly decided to convene a United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in 1981, in order to finalize, adopt and support the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s,

*Noting further* as being of particular importance resolution 5 (III) adopted by the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, at its first session, held at Geneva in February 1980, on the review of progress and implementation under the Immediate Action Programme (1979-1981) and of studies and preparations relating to the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s,

*Emphasizing* the need for a greatly expanded transfer of official development assistance to the least developed countries, in the context of a general increase in official development assistance for all developing countries with a view to realizing the 0.7 per cent target,

*Emphasizing further* that external support should be forthcoming from developed countries, developing countries in a position to do so, multilateral development institutions and other sources,

1. *Urges* its members and associate members and the international donor community, including multilateral agencies, to take urgent necessary steps to implement all provisions, recommendations and commitments made under resolution 122 (V) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, General Assembly resolutions 34/203 and 34/210 and resolution 5 (III) adopted by the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

2. *Calls upon* the Executive Secretary to extend co-operation, support and contributions to the preparatory work for the Conference, including the convening of a meeting on the least developed countries of the ESCAP region, prior to the Conference;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to review and evaluate the progress in implementing the Immediate Action Programme (1979-1981) at the regional level and the studies and preparations relating to the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s, and to report thereon to the Commission at its thirty-seventh session.

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#### **205 (XXXVI). Role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries**

*The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 33/135 of 19 December 1978 on the role of qualified national personnel in the social and economic development of developing countries,