

as appropriate, to the benefit of other members and associate members;

3. *Urges* developed members of the Commission and the relevant organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to accord priority consideration to the efforts of the developing members and associate members to enhance the effectiveness of their technological capabilities;

4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to continue his efforts to provide technical assistance and support to the science and technology activities of members and associate members of the Commission;

5. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to adopt effective measures to facilitate the exchange of experience and co-operation among members and associate members in the field of science and technology policy, planning and management, and *inter alia*:

(a) To organize rotating seminar-cum-study tours in this field through the relevant divisions of the secretariat and relevant regional institutions;

(b) To convene in 1986 a regional seminar on science and technology policy, planning and management;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the heads of the relevant agencies of the United Nations system to render support and assistance to these measures and activities within available resources;

7. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its forty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### **242 (XLI). Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries<sup>3</sup>**

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

*Recalling* General Assembly 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,

*Reaffirming* the provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations

Development Decade concerning the least developed countries,<sup>4</sup>

*Recalling* resolution 142 (VI) of 2 July 1983 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on progress in the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolutions 37/224 of 20 December 1982, 38/195 of 20 December 1983 and 39/174 of 17 December 1984 on the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action,

*Recalling further* Commission resolution 233 (XXXIX) of 28 April 1983 on the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action,

*Recognizing* that the mid-term global review of the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action will provide an opportunity for the international community to consider ways and means of enhancing the implementation of the Programme during the rest of the 1980s and adjusting it, as appropriate, in the second half of the decade of the 1980s,

*Noting* that a mid-term global review of progress towards the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action will be undertaken from 30 September to 11 October 1985,

*Recalling* that the High-level Meeting prior to the Mid-term Global Review of the Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries was convened by the Commission at Bangkok from 28 to 31 January 1985,

*Expressing serious concern* at the generally deteriorating economic and social conditions in the least developed countries in spite of their national efforts at development, as well as efforts made by the international community, since the adoption of the Substantial New Programme of Action, and stressing the increased and immediate need for further support measures in order to strengthen national efforts for self-reliance so that the objectives of the Programme could be fully realized,

1. *Notes* the report<sup>5</sup> of the High-level Meeting prior to the Mid-term Global Review of the Implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries directed towards accelerated implementation of the Programme in the second half of the decade;

2. *Urges* developed countries, and developing countries in a position to do so, the relevant

<sup>4</sup> See General Assembly resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980, annex, section K.

<sup>5</sup> E/ESCAP/464 and Corr.1.

<sup>3</sup> See paras. 335-345 above.

organizations and bodies of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations to make every effort to take all necessary steps toward full implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action;

3. *Invites* the World Bank, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the United Nations Development Programme, the Asian Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank, as well as other funding agencies to provide, as far as possible, within the framework of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, increased financial and technical assistance to the least developed countries of the Asian and Pacific region to enable those countries to implement their plans and programmes in the context of the Substantial New Programme of Action;

4. *Calls upon* the Executive Secretary to transmit the report of the High-level Meeting to the mid-term global review meeting;

5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to adopt effective measures, to be reflected in the work programme of the Commission, in support of the least developed countries of the region in their efforts towards the achievement of self-sustained development within the framework of the Substantial New Programme of Action;

6. *Calls upon* the Executive Secretary to undertake regular review and monitoring of the progress in the implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action in order to ensure the full implementation of the Programme with respect to the least developed countries of the Asian and Pacific region;

7. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its forty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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#### 243 (XLI). Statute of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology<sup>6</sup>

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

*Recalling* its resolution 159 (XXXI) of 6 March 1975, in which the Executive Secretary was requested to appoint a group of regional experts to make a feasibility study of the proposal to establish a centre for technology transfer in India, and to prepare a comprehensive project report for decision by the Commission at its thirty-second session,

*Recalling further* its resolution 164 (XXXII) of 31 March 1976, in which the Executive Secretary was requested to take all necessary steps for the establishment of the centre,

*Recalling also* the unanimous support given to the Regional Centre for Technology Transfer at all the subsequent sessions of the Commission,

*Noting with satisfaction* that the Centre was inaugurated on 16 July 1977 and had continued to expand its activities in the field of technology transfer,

*Noting with appreciation* the generous financial and technical support provided by the Governments of Australia, Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Nepal, the Netherlands, Pakistan, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka and Thailand, the multilateral agencies, the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development for the implementation of the project,

*Noting also* the endorsement of the draft statute of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology by the Committee on Industry, Technology, Human Settlements and the Environment at its eighth session held at Bangkok from 11 to 17 September 1984,

*Recalling again* the decision made at its fortieth session to consider adoption of the draft statute of the Centre at its forty-first session,

*Taking into account* the views expressed during its forty-first session regarding the location of the Centre and requesting the host country to further consider the matter,

*Adopts* the Statute of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology, the text of which is annexed to the present resolution, as the basis for the Centre's operations.

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#### *Annex*

#### STATUTE OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC CENTRE FOR TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

##### *Establishment*

1. The Regional Centre for Technology Transfer inaugurated on 16 July 1977, pursuant to the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) resolutions 159 (XXXI) and 164 (XXXII), shall continue in existence under the title "Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology" (hereinafter referred to as "the Centre") and under the terms of this Statute.

<sup>6</sup> See paras. 925-941 above.