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Report of the Second Committee

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- 1. The General Assembly, at its 2123rd plenary meeting on 21 September 1973, allocated to the Second Committee agenda item 52, entitled "United Nations University: report of the Secretary-General".
- 2. The Second Committee considered the item at its 1547th to 1551st meetings, from 5 to 7 November 1973. An account of the discussions of the Committee on the item is contained in the relevant summary records. (A/C.2/SR.1547-1551).
- 3. At its 1547th meeting, the Committee heard introductory statements by the Under-Secretary-General for Inter-Agency Affairs and Co-ordination, the Assistant Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research.
- 4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/9149 and Add.1 and 2) and the relevant part of the report of the Economic and Social Council on the work of its resumed fifty-fifth session. 1/
- 5. At the 1548th meeting, on 6 November, the representative of Japan, on behalf of Austria, Colombia, Egypt, Ghana, Iceland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Peru, the Philippines and the Syrian Arab Republic, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/L.1300). Subsequently, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Greece, Honduras, Kuwait, Liberia, Tunisia and Uruguay joined as sponsors. The operative part of the draft resolution read as follows:

^{1/} A/9003/Add.1 (part III).

- "1. Adopts the Charter of the United Nations University contained in the second addendum of the report of the Secretary-General (A/9149/Add.2)
- Made in the General Assembly on the above Charter, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and to submit its report to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council, with a view to enabling the General Assembly at its thirtieth session to consider amendments to the Charter as appropriate in accordance with the procedures provided for in the Charter:
- 3. Decides that the University Centre of the United Nations University shall be located in the Tokyo metropolitan area in Japan;
- Recommends that the University Council, in considering location of research and training centres and programmes of the University, as well as its associated institutions, take fully into account offers of facilities and other types of contribution and particularly the views expressed by the General Assembly concerning the need for support of research and training activities in the developing countries or for their benefits;
- "5. Expresses the hope that the University Council will consider, as one of its priority tasks, the relationship between the University and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, including possible areas of co-operation in research and training:
- "6. Authorizes the Secretary-General, pending the assumption of office by the Rector, to take all necessary measures to implement the provisions of the Charter of the University, in consultation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, including the convening of such sessions of the University Council as may be required, and decides that the expenses involved in the implementation shall be met from funds, present and prospective, of the University;
- "7. Requests the Secretary-General to continue efforts for raising funds required for the dynamic development of the United Nations University from Governments and non-governmental sources, including foundations, universities and individuals."
- 6. At the same meeting, a statement on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution was read by the Secretary of the Committee.
- 7. At the 1549th meeting, on 6 Movember, the representative of <u>France</u> proposed an oral amendment to operative paragraph 1 of the draft resolution (A/C.2/L.1300) whereby, after the word "Adopts", either the word "provisionally" or the words "subject to such action as may be taken pursuant to operative paragraph 2" would be inserted.
- 8. At the 1551st meeting, on 7 November, the representative of <u>Japan</u>, on behalf of the sponsors, orally revised the draft resolution by:

- (a) Combining operative paragraphs 1 and 2 with the word "and", and replacing the word "examine" by the word "consider" in the first line of former paragraph 2:
 - (b) Renumbering the remaining operative paragraphs:
- (c) Replacing, in operative paragraph 5 of the original text, the words "Expresses the hope" by the words 'Recommends further":
- (d) Inserting, after former paragraph 5, a new operative paragraph which would read as follows:

"Endorses paragraph 5 of the remarks of the Founding Committee as contained in appendix II of annex I to the report of the Secretary-General (A/9149)".

9. At the same meeting, the Committee, by 98 votes to none, with 8 abstentions, adopted the draft resolution (A/C.2/L.1300) as orally revised by the sponsors (see paragraph 10 below).

RECOUNTENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

10. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2951 (XXVII) of 11 December 1972, by which the General Assembly decided to establish the United Nations University under certain objectives and principles,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1829 (LV) of 18 October 1973.

Having taken into account the resolution, comments and observations of the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the draft Charter proposed by the Founding Committee of the United Nations University, 2/

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General, 3/

1. Adopts the Charter of the United Mations University contained in the second addendum to the report of the Secretary-General 4/ and invites the University Council to consider the comments and observations made in the General Assembly on the

^{2/} A/9149/Add.1.

^{3/} A/9149 and Add.2.

^{4/} A/9149/Add.2.

above Charter, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and to submit its report to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council, with a view to enabling the Assembly at its thirtieth session to consider amendments to the Charter as appropriate in accordance with the procedures provided for in the Charter;

- 2. Decides that the University Centre of the United Nations University shall be located in the Tokyo metropolitan area in Japan;
- 3. Recommends that the University Council, in considering the location of research and training centres and programmes of the University, as well as its associated institutions, take fully into account offers of facilities and other types of contribution and particularly the views expressed by the General Assembly concerning the need for support of research and training activities in the developing countries or for their benefit;
- 4. Recommends further that the University Council should consider, as one of its priority tasks, the relationship between the University and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, including possible areas of co-operation in research and training;
- 5. Endorses paragraph 5 of the remarks of the Founding Committee of the United Nations University appended to the report of the Secretary-General: 5/
- 6. <u>Authorizes</u> the Secretary-General, pending the assumption of office by the Rector, to take all necessary measures to implement the provisions of the Charter of the University, in consultation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, including the convening of such sessions of the University Council as may be required, and decides that the expenses involved in the implementation shall be met from funds, present and prospective, of the University:
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to continue efforts for raising the funds required for the dynamic development of the University from Governments and non-governmental sources, including foundations, universities and individuals.

^{5/} A/9149, annex I, appendix II.