

ciples and programme objectives laid down by the relevant policy-making bodies;

"5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to take whatever administrative action is necessary, within existing resources, to implement the course of action described in paragraph 1 through 4 above, with effect from 1 January 1976;

"6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fifth session, in 1977, a report on the implementation of the present resolution."

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1923 (LVIII). International policy on youth

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3140 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1842 (LVI) of 15 May 1974,

Taking note of the reports of the Secretary-General on the second meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Advisory Group on Youth⁶¹ and on the feasibility of establishing a co-operative arrangement among youth research and information centres,⁶² and the note by the Secretary-General on an international policy on youth,⁶³

Mindful that youth wishes its rights and responsibilities to be recognized by society at large,

Aware that some progress has been made during the first few years of the Second United Nations Development Decade at the national and international levels to meet the needs and aspirations of youth and to promote its participation in national and international development efforts,

Believing that international policy concerning the the involvement of youth at the national and international levels should be based on the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and international law, with a view to creating and strengthening specific opportunities for the participation of youth in national and international development,

Believing also that the United Nations may assist in increasing such opportunities, *inter alia*, through its programmes of technical co-operation, pre-investment assistance and research,

Bearing in mind that the General Assembly at its thirtieth session will consider long-term measures for strengthening channels of communication with youth and international youth organizations.

1. *Endorses* the view of the Secretary-General, contained in his note on an international policy on youth, that in its programmes concerning youth the United Nations should aim primarily at helping to establish and strengthen the principle of creating specific opportunities for youth to participate in development efforts at the national and international levels;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to study the feasibility of incorporating the principle contained in the preceding paragraph in a possible international document, setting out practical modalities for involving

⁶¹ E/CN.5/520.

⁶² E/CN.5/503.

⁶³ E/CN.5/501.

youth in development activities, and to submit his conclusions to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-second session, through the Commission for Social Development;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to give attention to the need for collecting and improving social indicators pertaining to youth in various socio-economic fields and international development;

4. *Approves* the recommendations concerning the establishment of a co-operative arrangement among youth research and information centres, contained in paragraphs 5 to 12 of the Secretary-General's report on this question;⁶⁴

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report with recommendations for further action to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fifth session.

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1924 (LVIII). Crime prevention and control

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3021 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, in which the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control was instructed to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the methods and ways likely to be most effective in preventing crime and improving the treatment of offenders, including recommendations on the measures most appropriate in such areas as law enforcement, judicial procedures and correctional practices,

Recalling further the endorsement given by the General Assembly in resolution 3021 (XXVII) to the Declaration unanimously adopted by the Fourth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, which emphasizes, among other things, the need for strengthening international co-operation in crime prevention and control,⁶⁴

Recalling also the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,⁶⁵ which stipulates that social progress and development shall aim, *inter alia*, at the progressive attainment of the main goal of the provision of social defence measures and the elimination of conditions leading to crime and delinquency,

Noting with satisfaction that the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control is carrying out the task entrusted to it by the General Assembly,

Recognizing the desire of the Commission for Social Development to assume its responsibilities in this important area,

Noting also that, under the present schedule of meetings, the Commission for Social Development will not be able to consider the report of the Committee, referred to above, before its consideration by the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly,

1. *Decides* to postpone until its sixty-second session consideration of the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Control in order to permit the Commission for Social Development to give consideration to the question at its twenty-fifth session;

⁶⁴ The text of the Declaration is contained in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1584 (L).

⁶⁵ General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV).

2. *Requests* the Commission for Social Development to study the report and submit its findings to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-second session;

3. *Invites* the General Assembly to postpone consideration of the question until its thirty-second session;

4. *Also invites* the General Assembly to postpone until its thirty-second session consideration of the final report to be submitted by the Secretary-General under paragraph 4 of Assembly resolution 3021 (XXVII).

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1925 (LVIII). Adoption and foster placement of children

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3028 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1750 (LIV) of 16 May 1973,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General⁶⁶ on convening a United Nations conference for an international convention on adoption law,

Noting the interest of Governments in the subject of adoption and foster placement, as indicated by their response to the questionnaire circulated by the Secretary-General under Council resolution 1750 (LIV),

Noting also the wide diversity of views on adoption and foster placement as expressed in the report, which reflects the range of social and cultural values prevailing in different parts of the world,

Recognizing the problems which can arise in the case of intercountry movement of children and the need to safeguard the rights of all concerned, particularly those of the child,

1. *Affirms* the need for a continuous review of measures designed to improve understanding at the national level with a view to harmonizing procedures to facilitate the regulation of the intercountry movement of children;

2. *Emphasizes* the importance of continuing the study at the regional level of social and legal problems of adoption and foster placement;

3. *Affirms* the desirability of drawing up a declaration on principles of good adoption practice in the light of which countries can examine their own laws according to their own traditions;

4. *Decides* to request the Secretary-General, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, to convene a group of experts with relevant experience of family and child welfare, with primary emphasis on adoption and foster placement practices, representative of all geographical regions:

(a) To prepare a draft declaration on social and legal principles relating to adoption and foster placement of children nationally and internationally, and to review and appraise the recommendations and guidelines incorporated in the report of the Secretary-General⁶⁶ and the relevant material submitted by Governments already available to the Secretary-General and the regional commissions;

⁶⁶ E/CN.5/504 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1.

(b) To draft guidelines for the use of Governments in the implementation of the above principles, as well as suggestions for improving procedures within the context of their social development—including family and child welfare—programmes;

5. *Requests* relevant international organizations, particularly the United Nations Children's Fund, the regional commissions and the appropriate non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, to co-operate with the Secretary-General in the implementation of the present resolution;

6. *Draws the attention* of the Secretary-General to the desirability of holding regional seminars on adoption and foster placement in accordance with General Assembly resolution 418 (V) of 1 December 1950 and/or of holding regional seminars on the human rights of children, including adoption and foster placement, under the authority of General Assembly resolution 926 (X) of 14 December 1955;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session a draft declaration on social and legal principles for submission to the Economic and Social Council and to the General Assembly.

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1926 (LVIII). Welfare of migrant workers and their families*

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MIGRANT WORKERS

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1749 (LIV) of 16 May 1973 and taking into account General Assembly resolution 3224 (XXIX) of 6 November 1974,

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the welfare of migrant workers and their families⁶⁷ and taking note of the information provided by the International Labour Organisation on the results of its programme of action concerning migrant workers,⁶⁸

Aware of the present character of international labour mobility as an expression of the interdependence and different levels of development of national economies,

Also aware of the changing circumstances resulting from current economic trends, which may adversely affect the situation of migrants, whether they remain abroad under increasingly difficult conditions or are forced to return to their country of origin,

Aware too of the problems migratory movements can cause to the receiving and to the sending States,

Reaffirming the need for the United Nations to consider the situation of migrant workers in an interrelated manner in order to avoid the possibility of their needs being dealt with separately and without sufficient con-

* At its 1948th meeting, on 6 May 1975, the Council decided that draft resolution VI, recommended by the Social Committee in its report (E/5664, para. 28), and draft resolution III, recommended by the Economic Committee in its report (E/5670 and Corr.1, para. 30), would become, when adopted, resolutions 1926 A and B (LVIII), respectively.

⁶⁷ E/CN.5/515 and Corr.1 and 2.

⁶⁸ See E/CN.5/523.