

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make available the necessary resources for the participation of the least developed countries in the regional preparatory meetings for the Congress and in the Congress itself;

11. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to provide additional resources, as required, to ensure a wide and effective programme of public information for the preparations for the Congress.

*23rd plenary meeting
4 May 1982*

1982/30. Enhancement of the functioning of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control in relation to the preparation of United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on preparations for the Seventh United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,⁴⁹

Convinced of the need to make more effective the methods of work of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control, especially in connexion with its function of preparing the United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders,

Desiring to enable the Committee to undertake its functions between sessions, in accordance with paragraph 1 (a) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/19 of 9 May 1979 and General Assembly resolution 32/60 of 8 December 1977, particularly in relation to its functions as a preparatory committee,

1. *Decides* that the Chairman of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control may appoint persons from among the members of the Committee who may give advice in respect of the regional and interregional preparatory meetings for the Seventh United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to implement fully the decisions and recommendations made by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control at its seventh session, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/19.

*23rd plenary meeting
4 May 1982*

1982/31. Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973, in which the Assembly proclaimed the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and approved the Programme for the Decade,

Recalling also the other relevant General Assembly resolutions, particularly resolution 34/24 of 15 November 1979, in which the Assembly adopted the four-year programme of activities designed to accelerate progress in the implementation of the Programme for the Decade,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 35/33 of 14 November 1980, in which the Assembly decided to hold in 1983, as an important event of the Decade, a second world conference to combat racism and racial discrimination, and invited the Economic and Social Council to begin the preparatory work for the conference at its first regular session of 1981,

Convinced that effective implementation of the Programme for the Decade will help to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction as to race, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin,

Recalling its resolutions 1980/7 of 24 April 1980 and 1981/30 of 6 May 1981,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3057 (XXVIII);⁵⁰

2. *Recommends* to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Reaffirming its resolve to bring about the total and unconditional eradication of racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid*, which still represent serious obstacles to further progress and to the strengthening of international peace and security,

"Recalling that, in its resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and in the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination annexed thereto, and in other relevant resolutions, it called upon all peoples, Governments and institutions to continue their efforts to eradicate racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid* and thus to promote respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction as to race, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin,

"Taking into account the Declaration and the Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,⁵¹

"Recalling that, in the programme of activities to be undertaken during the second half of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination contained in the annex to its resolution 34/24 of 15 November 1979, it called upon all States, United Nations organs and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts to achieve the speediest attainment of the objectives of the Decade, aimed at the complete and final elimination of all forms of racism and racial discrimination,

"Expressing its serious concern at the situation prevailing in South Africa and throughout southern Africa as a result of the policies and actions of the *apartheid* régime, particularly its efforts to per-

⁴⁹ E/1982/37.

⁵⁰ E/1982/24 and Add.1.

⁵¹ *Report of the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, Geneva, 14-25 August 1978* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.79.XIV.2), chap. II.