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The Governing Council

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Administrator on the activities of the United Nations Volunteers Programme, and notes with satisfaction the growth rate of the programme with some 800 volunteers now serving in 82 developing countries;
- 2. Recalls operative paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 31/131 which considered the United Nations Volunteers Programme to be a major operational unit in the United Nations for the execution of youth programmes especially of pilot projects to increase the participation of youth in development activities and training programmes for youth workers;
- 3. Acknowledges the increasing role which the United Nations Volunteers Programme is playing by bringing a unique input into the technical co-operation process;
- 4. Takes into account the expectation that the United Nations Volunteers Programme will play a significant role in the preparation of projects and programmes related to the International Youth Year (IYY) 1985 and requests the United Nations Volunteers in doing so to take fully into account, the technical competence of the relevant specialized agencies, and the need for full co-operation and consultation with such agencies which operate core activities directly related to youth; and the report on these preparations to the twenty-eighth session of the Governing Council.
- 5. Requests the Administrator to present to the Council at its twenty-eighth session proposals for adequate staffing of the United Nations Volunteers taking into account the expansion of the programme;

- 6. Requests the Administrator, after consultation with delegations, to recommend to the General Assembly, through ECOSOC, that the title of the post of Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers Programme be more appropriately renamed to reflect the responsibilities and functions of this post;
- 7. Reiterates its invitation to all member Governments to contribute or increase their contributions to the Special Voluntary Fund to enable United Nations Volunteers to continue to expand its activities and to more effectively carry out its mandate.