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OTHER MATTERS

ACTION TAKEN BY OTHER ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN 1983

Addendum

Note by the Administrator

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A. Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

461 (XVIII). Support to African land-locked and island countries

The Conference of Ministers,

2. Requests that appropriations under the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries should be increased in order to expand their capability to respond positively to development needs.

468 (XVIII). Interregional economic and technical co-operation

The Conference of Ministers,

7. Commends the United Nations Development Programme and the Government of the Netherlands for their support to the Commission's interregional technical and economic co-operation activities and appeals to them and to other funding agencies which have not yet done so, to render generous support to the Commission's interregional economic and technical co-operation programme;

473 (XVIII). The climatic situation and drought in Africa

The Conference of Ministers,

1. Urgently requests the Executive Secretary to organize a special scientific round table to which all States members of the Commission would be invited. The round table would consist of national experts from the invited countries as well as international experts on climate, land, water and soil resources, ecology and the environment, on the problems of the climatic situation in Africa with a view to examining the causes, periodicity, trends and effects of drought on the African economy and to proposing measures that can be taken in the short, medium and long terms with the problem;

2. Appeals to the relevant United Nations organs, organizations and bodies such as the World Meteorological Organization, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Development Programme, the Organization of African Unity and other relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to collaborate actively with the Commission in this urgent task;
B. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

139 (VI). UNCTAD activities in the field of economic co-operation among developing countries

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

... (d) To call, as appropriate, on other competent international bodies, such as the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the financial development institutions, the regional commissions and the competent intergovernmental regional and subregional organizations, and on the developed countries, to support the efforts of the developing countries to implement economic co-operation programmes among themselves, as a contribution towards the attainment of the objectives of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade.

145 (VI). UNCTAD activities in the field of trade relations among countries having different economic and social systems and all trade flows resulting therefrom

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Annex

Trade relations among countries having different economic and social systems and all trade flows resulting therefrom

/The Trade and Development Board/ /The Conference/.

III

2. Requests the United Nations Development Programme to increase its support of the activities mentioned in the present resolution;

3. Calls upon the socialist countries of Eastern Europe and the developing countries to take an active part, and upon the United Nations Development Programme, UNCTAD, the regional commissions of the United Nations and the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT to provide all possible assistance in the execution of the technical assistance activities mentioned in paragraph 1 (b), of this section.
155 (VI). Implementation of the Integrated Programme for Commodities in the area of stabilization and strengthening of commodity markets

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

... 12. Requests multilateral and bilateral sources, including UNDP, to consider sympathetically the provision of finance for the elaboration into full projects of the summary project proposals on developmental measures approved by preparatory meetings under the Integrated Programme for Commodities and invites the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to undertake appropriate actions in this regard;

159 (VI). International trade in goods and services: Protectionism, structural adjustment and the international trading system

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

... III. GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

... 19. The United Nations Development Programme is invited to continue to support the UNCTAD/UNDP technical assistance programme beyond 1983 in order to permit developing countries to benefit adequately from the schemes; the scope of the programme should be expanded to cover other laws, regulations and procedures of the preference-giving countries which affect the exports of developing countries;

165 (VI). Multilateral development institutions

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

... 7. Urges Governments to provide adequate funding of UNDP so that it may effectively fulfil its central funding and co-ordinating role in the field of technical co-operation within the United Nations system, in conformity with the Consensus of 1970 and General Assembly resolutions 32/197 of 20 December 1977, 33/202 of 29 January 1979 and 35/81 of 5 December 1980, and invites the Governing Council of UNDP to promptly formulate proposals to ensure such financing over the longer term at a predictable, continuous and increasingly assured level;
Status of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT vis-a-vis the United Nations Development Programme

Strengthening of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT

1. Endorses the recommendation of the Joint Advisory Group that ITC should seek executing agency status vis-à-vis UNDP in Trade Promotion activities.

C. United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)


10. The Board, having examined the Annual Report of the Executive Director, 1982 (ID/B/300) and its addendum 1 on the proposals for strengthening the network of Industrial Development Field Advisers and Junior Professional Officers, re-emphasized the importance and effectiveness of the Senior Industrial Development Field Advisers (SIDFA) programme. The Board reiterated that the SIDFA programme required to be strengthened. The Board invited the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to finance the maximum number possible of SIDFAs in 1984-1985.

Conclusion 1983/10. Technical assistance to the Namibian people

4. The Board reaffirmed its earlier decision, requesting the United Nations Development Programme to approve as soon as possible the technical co-operation projects submitted by UNIDO for its consideration, and to release funds for the implementation of the projects already approved.

56 (XVII). Industrial Development Decade for Africa

The Industrial Development Board,

... Recalling further Industrial Development Board resolution 54 (XV) of 30 May 1981, in which the Board, inter alia, declared the Industrial Development Decade for Africa to be one of the most important programmes of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

... 4. Reaffirms its request to the United Nations Development Programme to allocate adequate financial resources to the programme for the Decade;
5. Requests further the United Nations Development Programme, while allocating those funds, to take into account the high priority established for the Industrial Development Decade for Africa;

D. United Nations Centre on Human Settlements (HABITAT)

6.6. Housing reconstruction programmes in war-torn Chad

The Commission on Human Settlements,

2. Requests the Executive Director to fix a new start-up date with the United Nations Development Programme and the Government of Chad as soon as possible and to report on the Commission on Human Settlements at its seventh session on progress made in that regard.

E. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

7.2. Operational activities for development (117 EX/22)

The Executive Board,

4. Invites Member States once again to increase their contributions to operational activities for development and in particular to the general UNDP funds, which are distributed according to the Indicative Planning Figures;

F. International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

A24-15. Technical Assistance

20. Urges Contracting States that are members of the UNDP Governing Council to draw the attention of their representatives to the important role played by civil aviation in the overall economic development of countries, sub-regions and regions, so that civil aviation projects be afforded due priority in any programme submitted for approval.

A24-17. Scholarships and fellowships for basic and advanced training

2. To urge these States to take, in association with ICAO, the necessary measures so that UNDP may establish a budgetary item for civil

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aviation fellowships for the basic training, specialization and advanced training of technical and aeronautical personnel;

G. World Health Organization (WHO)

EB71.R10. Special programme for research and training in tropical diseases

The Executive Board,

Having examined the report by its Programme Committee, together with the report of the Joint Coordinating Board's External Review Committee on the first five years of operations of the UNDP/World Bank/WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases;

Noting that the problems facing national programmes for the control of the six diseases included in the Special Programme - malaria, schistosomiasis, filariasis, trypanosomiasis (both African and American), leishmaniasis and leprosy - are even more serious than they were when the Special Programme began its operations;

5. Requests the Director-General to study the means, in concert with the executive heads of the other two co-sponsoring organizations, of increasing the level of financial contributions to the Special Programme from the present contributors and of attracting new contributors to the Programme.

WHA36.13 International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade

The Thirty-sixth World Health Assembly,

5. Requests the Director-General,

(4) to continue to collaborate with the other agencies of the United Nations system in the Steering Committee for the Decade, and specifically with UNDP resident representatives in their focal role at country level, and to use these means to ensure that the Decade has the greatest possible impact on progress towards health for all;
WHA36.31 African human trypanosomiasis

The Thirty-sixth World Health Assembly,

Appreciating the valuable support to research, co-ordination and training given by the World Health Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and the Organization of African Unity, and the substantial contributions made by some Member States and the Development Programme of the Regional Director for Africa in 1982 and 1983;

3. **Requests** the Director-General,

   (1) To take adequate measures to strengthen the programme of international co-ordination and technical support for the implementation of the new control methods and the training of necessary manpower;

H. **International Telecommunication Union (ITU)**

Resolution No. 16

Participation of the Union in the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and in other programmes of the United Nations system

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Nairobi, 1982),

Having noted section 5.2 of the Report of the Administrative Council, the separate report on the implementation of resolutions, etc. relating to the technical co-operation activities of the Union, and the separate Report on the Future of ITU Technical Cooperation Activities;

Having endorsed the action taken by the Administrative Council in application of Resolution No. 16 of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Malaga-Torremolinos, 1973) as regards participation of the Union in the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP);

Having expressed its appreciation of the consideration given by UNDP to the development of communications;

/.../
Resolves

1. That the Union shall continue its full participation in UNDP, within the framework of the Convention and under the conditions established by the UNDP Governing Council or by other competent bodies of the United Nations system;

2. That the administrative and operational service costs resulting from the Union's participation in UNDP shall be included in a separate part of the budget of the Union, on the understanding that the support cost payments from UNDP shall be included as income in that part of the budget;

3. That the support cost payments received from UNDP shall not be taken into consideration in fixing the limits of the Union's ordinary budget;

4. That the Union's auditors shall check all the expenditures and income relative to participation of the Union in UNDP;

5. That the Administrative Council shall also examine these expenditures and take whatever steps it deems appropriate to ensure that the funds thus assigned by UNDP are used exclusively for administrative and operational services costs;

Instructs the Secretary-General,

1. To present each year to the Administrative Council a detailed report on the participation of the Union in UNDP;

2. To submit to the Administrative Council such recommendations as he may deem necessary to improve the efficiency of this participation;

Instructs the Administrative Council,

1. To take all necessary measures to ensure the maximum efficiency of the Union's participation in UNDP;

2. To take into account the decisions of the Governing Council of UNDP with regard to support cost payments for the executing agencies when establishing the credits required to cover the total administrative and service costs to be incurred as a result of the Union's participation in UNDP;
Resolution No. 17

Intercountry projects financed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in the field of telecommunications

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Nairobi, 1982),

... Expressing its appreciation of the consideration given to this matter in certain regions by UNDP in making available to ITU allocations for intercountry projects of technical co-operation to developing countries;

Resolves to invite UNDP with a view to increasing the technical co-operation in the telecommunication sector and thereby contributing significantly to an accelerated pace of integration and development, to consider favourably an increase of the allocations to intercountry projects of assistance and to sectoral support activities in this sector;

Invites those Members of the Union which are also Members of the Governing Council of UNDP to take account of this Resolution in that Council.

Resolution No. 24

Telecommunication infrastructure and socio-economic development

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union (Nairobi, 1982),

Urges UNDP, including its secretariat and field representatives as well as both donor and recipient Member States, to give greater appreciation to the importance of telecommunications in the development process, with a view to ensuring that an appropriate share of UNDP resources is made available for the telecommunications sector;

Requests the Secretary-General,

1. To bring this Resolution to the attention of the United Nations General Assembly and to provide the Assembly with regular reports on the progress and results of the research on this matter;

2. To bring this Resolution also to the attention of all other interested parties, in particular UNDP, the International Bank for...
Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), regional development banks, and national development funds for co-operation;

3. To report annually to the Administrative Council on the progress made in the implementation of this Resolution;

I. International Maritime Organization (IMO)

Resolution A 546(13)

*Appeal to the United Nations Development Programme for support of IMO's technical co-operation programme*

The Assembly,

2. **Appeals** to the United Nations Development Programme to maintain and increase its assistance and support to IMO's technical co-operation programme, in particular through providing funds to support technical advisory services at the interregional, regional and national levels, with a view to continuing to provide high-level advisers and consultants in various disciplines who can carry out in-depth studies and help developing countries to implement various IMO conventions;

3. **Strongly urges** all Member Governments to ensure that their national authorities responsible for direct liaison with the United Nations Development Programme are made fully aware of the importance of IMO's technical co-operation programme and are adequately informed of the indispensable role being played by regional, interregional and sectoral advisers, and by national, regional and global training schemes in the successful operation of that programme; and that high priority is given to maritime projects in their country programmes with UNDP;

4. **Further strongly urges** Member Governments to request and authorize their representatives at the UNDP Governing Council, and also at national and regional levels, to convey to the United Nations Development Programme their support for the provision of funds for IMO's technical co-operation activities in the maritime field;