RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

on the report of the Second Committee (A/8563)\(^7\)

2810 (XXVI). United Nations Volunteers programme

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2659 (XXV) of 7 December 1970 establishing the United Nations Volunteers programme within the existing framework of the United Nations system,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1618 (XII) of 27 July 1971 and also the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twelfth session, \(^1/\)

Noting with appreciation the statement of the Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers programme, \(^2/\)

Reaffirming its conviction that the active participation of the younger generation in all aspects of social and economic life constitutes an important additional source of trained manpower in the over-all development efforts, thus ensuring the increased effectiveness of collective efforts necessary for a better society,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Volunteers programme, \(^3/\) which was submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2659 (XXV);

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\(^2/\) See A/C.2/SR.1395.

\(^3/\) E/5028.
2. Requests the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, as well as the Governing Council of the Programme, to continue to assist in the promotion of the United Nations Volunteers programme, particularly in overcoming the question of financial difficulties which tend to inhibit the growth of this programme;

3. Reaffirms its conviction that United Nations Volunteers should not be sent to countries without the explicit request and approval of the recipient Governments concerned;

4. Requests all the specialized agencies and other organizations in the United Nations system to channel all requests for volunteers in development projects executed by them through the United Nations Volunteers programme and to co-ordinate all volunteer activities within United Nations-assisted projects with the Co-ordinator of the programme;

5. Invites Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies, international organizations, voluntary agencies and individuals to contribute in every way possible to the Special Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Volunteers;

6. Requests the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to report, through the Governing Council and the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session on the progress made in the implementation of Assembly resolution 2659 (XXV).

2017th plenary meeting,
14 December 1971.