

1966 (LIX). Youth policies and programmes

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3125 (XXVIII) of 13 December 1973 and 3140 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973,

Taking note with appreciation of the note by the Secretary-General on the feasibility of voluntary contributions in support of United Nations youth programmes,⁹¹

Aware of the increasing difficulties with which millions of young people in many parts of the world are faced as they seek to take constructive roles in the development of their societies,

Believing that the United Nations must intensify its efforts to implement practical programmes to assist young people to take such roles, including the means of financing such programmes,

Acknowledging the role in the achievement of national and international development goals that has been entrusted to the United Nations Volunteers programme, and the potential of that programme for the advancement of youth's role in development,

1. *Recommends* that the General Assembly at its thirtieth session approve the recommendation of the Secretary-General⁹² that the United Nations Volunteers programme be designated as the principal operational unit of the United Nations for the execution of youth programmes, especially of pilot projects and training programmes for youth workers, such projects and programmes to be undertaken only after consultation with the Governments of the countries concerned;

2. *Recommends further* that the General Assembly at its thirtieth session approve the expansion of the terms of reference of the Special Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Volunteers to include the receipt of additional contributions for the purposes described in paragraph 1 above;

3. *Appeals* to Governments and other potential sources for contributions to the Special Voluntary Fund, to be used to help to finance United Nations youth programmes sponsored by the United Nations Volunteers programme;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to hold joint intersecretariat consultations at least once every year to discuss the implementation of programmes to be undertaken as described in paragraphs 1 to 3 above,

⁹¹ E/CN.5/502.

⁹² *Ibid.*, para. 14 (a).

on the basis of principles and programmes objectives laid down by the relevant policy-making bodies;

5. *Further request* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to take whatever administrative action is necessary, within existing resources, to follow the course of action described in paragraphs 1 to 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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30 July 1975*