Resolutions adopted on the reports of the Second Committee

2950 (XXVII). United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its past resolutions relating to the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, particularly resolution 2767 (XXVI) of 18 November 1971, and the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council on the same subject,

1. Takes note of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

2. Notes with satisfaction the increasing effectiveness of the Institute in the discharge of its responsibilities;

3. Expresses the hope that the Institute will have greater and wider financial support.

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2951 (XXVII). Establishment of the United Nations University

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2822 (XXVI) of 16 December 1971,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1731 (LIII) of 15 September 1972,

Taking note also of resolution 1322 of 17 November 1972, adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its seventeenth session,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General,

Noting with appreciation that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and other interested organizations in the United Nations system have fully cooperated with the United Nations in preparing reports and studies on the subject of the establishment of an international university,

Conscious of the particular responsibilities of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in the development and implementation of this project,

C. List of States indicated in paragraph 5 (c)

Argentina  Chile  Colombia  Costa Rica  Cuba
Barbados  Brazil  Dominican Republic  Mexico  Nicaragua
Belgium  Belgium  Ecuador  Nicaragua  Panama
Canada  Canada  El Salvador  Paraguay  Peru
Cyprus  Cyprus  Guatemala  Haiti  Honduras
Denmark  Denmark  Guyana  Haiti  Jamaica
Finland  Finland  Israel  Mexico  Nicaragua
France  France  Netherlands  Nicaragua  Panama
Germany, Federal Republic of  Germany, Federal Republic of  Guatemala  Haiti  Hungary
Greece  Greece  Guyana  Haiti  Hungary
Holy See  Holy See  Haiti  Honduras  Hungary
Iceland  Iceland  Haiti  Honduras  Hungary
Ireland  Ireland  Haiti  Honduras  Hungary
Japan  Japan  Haiti  Honduras  Hungary
Liechtenstein  Liechtenstein  Haiti  Honduras  Hungary

[Note: The list continues with additional countries as mentioned in the document.]

3 See A/8998.
4 A/8510 and Add.1/Rev.1; E/5155 and Add.1.
1. Decides to establish an international university under the auspices of the United Nations to be known as the United Nations University;

2. Decides that the United Nations University should be guided, inter alia, by the following objectives and principles:

(a) The concept of the University should be that of a system of academic institutions and not of an intergovernmental organization;

(b) Co-ordination should be maintained between the activities of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and other organizations in the United Nations system and those of the University;

(c) Binding guarantees, under law, of academic freedom and autonomy should be written into the charter of the University;

(d) Selection procedures should be established so as to ensure the highest intellectual and moral quality of the personnel of the University;

(e) The structure of the University should consist of a programming and co-ordinating central organ and a decentralized system of affiliated institutions, integrated into the world university community, devoted to education, research and development to the pressing global problems of human survival, development and welfare that are the concern of the United Nations and its agencies and to the post-graduate training of young scholars and research workers for the benefit of the world community;

(f) The research programmes of the institutions of the University should include, among other matters, co-existence between peoples of differing cultures, tongues and social systems, peaceful relations between States and the maintenance of peace and security, human rights, economic and social change and development, the environment and the proper use of resources, basic scientific research and the application of the results of science and technology in the interests of development;

(g) Capital costs and recurrent costs should be met from voluntary contributions for the University made:

(i) Directly by Governments or through the United Nations, the specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency;

(ii) By non-governmental sources including foundations, universities and individuals;

The University should also be authorized to receive assistance for its projects, particularly fellowships, from the United Nations, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other intergovernmental organizations;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in close cooperation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to establish a Founding Committee of the United Nations University to define further the objectives and principles of the University and to draft its charter, consisting of not more than twenty experts chosen with due regard to geographical distribution and major academic, educational and cultural trends in the world, taking into account their fields of study as well as the need to include outstanding young scholars, half of whom are to be designated by the Secretary-General and the other half by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in consultation with the specialized agencies and programmes concerned, including the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to commence efforts for raising the necessary funds in order to permit the launching of the United Nations University at the earliest possible date and to make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning the location of the programming and co-ordination centre and of the other institutions, in consultation with the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and taking into account the views expressed thereon by the Founding Committee of the United Nations University and the offers of facilities and other types of contributions;

5. Invites the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session such comments and observations on the draft charter as it may consider appropriate;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth session, through the Economic and Social Council, the draft charter of the United Nations University as well as a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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2952 (XXVII). Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966 on the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Recalling further its resolution 2823 (XXVI) of 16 December 1971 on the report of the Special International Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Having considered the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its sixth session, and in particular the following resolution contained in its resolution 33 (VI) of 2 June 1972 on the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Bearing in mind the importance of the goals and policy measures related to industrial development that are included in the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

a The Founding Committee of the United Nations University was composed of the following persons: Mr. Ahmed Eman Abdel Meguid, Mr. Roberto Alemann, Mr. Sune Bergstrom, Mr. Borislav Bozovic, Mr. Andrew W. Cordier, Mr. Roger Couidy, Mr. Felipe Herrera, Mr. Abdul Razzak Kaddoura, Mr. Yusuf K. Lule, Mr. Robert Mallet, Mr. Victor A. Oyenuga, Mr. Gopalaswami Parthasarathi, Mr. Hugh N. Robson, Mr. Victor Salini, Mr. Abdul Salam, Mr. Sydou Madani Sy, Mr. Senjir Tsuruoka, Mr. Puey Ungphakorn, Mr. Victor L. Urquidi and Mr. Stephan Verostka.


8 Ibid., annex II.

9 Resolution 2625 (XXV).