

2. *Urges* the Commission on Human Rights to complete its work on the matter at its thirty-seventh session with a view to submitting to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session, through the Economic and Social Council, a single draft Declaration;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled "Elimination of all forms of religious intolerance" and to give it high priority.

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35/126. International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 34/151 of 17 December 1979 by which it decided to designate 1985 as International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace,

Recognizing the profound importance of the direct participation of youth in shaping the future of mankind and the valuable contribution that youth can make in the implementation of the new international economic order based on equity and justice,

Considering it necessary to disseminate among youth the ideals of peace, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, human solidarity and dedication to the objectives of progress and development,

Convinced of the imperative need to harness the energies, enthusiasms and creative abilities of youth to the tasks of nation building, the struggle for self-determination and national independence, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, and against foreign domination and occupation, the economic, social and cultural advancement of peoples, the implementation of the new international economic order, the preservation of world peace and the promotion of international co-operation and understanding,

Emphasizing that the United Nations should give more attention to the role of the young people in the world of today and to their demands for the world of tomorrow,

Recalling the topicality of assessing the needs and aspirations of youth, and reaffirming the importance of current and projected United Nations activities designed to increase the opportunities for youth and for its active participation in national development activities,

Believing that it is urgently desirable to consolidate the efforts of all States in carrying out specific programmes concerning youth and to improve the activities of the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the field of youth including youth exchanges in the cultural, sporting and other fields,

Reaffirming the necessity for better co-ordination of efforts in dealing with problems confronting young people and in examining the manner in which those problems are being treated by the specialized agencies and by various United Nations bodies,

Considering that the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year will offer a useful and significant opportunity for drawing attention to the situation, needs and aspirations of youth, for increasing co-operation at all levels in dealing with youth issues, for undertaking concerted action programmes in favour of youth and for involving young people in the study and resolution of major international, regional and national problems,

Confident that the International Youth Year will serve to mobilize efforts at the local, national, regional and international levels in order to promote the best educational, professional and living conditions for young people, to ensure their active participation in the over-all development of society and to encourage the preparation of new national and local policies and programmes in accordance with each country's experience, conditions and priorities,

Recognizing that the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year will contribute to the reaffirmation of the goals of the new international economic order and to the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,⁴⁸

Recalling also in this connexion its decision 35/424 of 5 December 1980 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on the question of international years and anniversaries,

Aware that, for the International Youth Year to be successful and to maximize its impact and practical efficiency, adequate preparation and the widespread support of Governments, all specialized agencies, international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the public will be required,

Noting with great satisfaction the interest of Member States, of various United Nations bodies and specialized agencies and youth organizations in the decision to designate 1985 as International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace,⁴⁹

1. *Invites* all States, all the specialized agencies and all other United Nations bodies and the international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, as well as youth organizations, to exert all possible efforts for the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year and to undertake in this respect specific actions in accordance with their experience, conditions and priorities;

2. *Stresses* the importance of active and direct participation of youth organizations in the activities organized at the local, national, regional and international levels for the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, in accordance with the proposals made by Member States and in consultation with all the specialized agencies and interested international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as youth organizations, a draft programme for the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene three sessions of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year in the period 1981-1985 so that it may formulate, for consideration by the General Assembly, a specific programme of measures and activities to be undertaken prior to and during the Year on the basis of the draft programme prepared by the Secretary-General;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to invite the States which are not members of the Advisory Committee, the specialized agencies, the concerned intergovernmental organizations and the concerned non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to participate as observers in the work of the Advisory Committee;

⁴⁸ See sect. V, resolution 35/56, annex.

⁴⁹ See A/35/361 and Add.1.

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to convene the first session of the Advisory Committee in early 1981, to provide it with all necessary assistance and to submit its first report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session;

7. *Invites* the Advisory Committee to pay particular attention to regional and international meetings dealing with youth or related to youth questions and requests the Secretary-General to provide every means to assist it in this regard;

8. *Calls upon* the Advisory Committee, when applying paragraph 7 above, to seek information about the activities of regional and international meetings dealing with youth or related to youth questions;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide a list of relevant meetings for the first session of the Advisory Committee and invites the Committee to consider the question of being represented at such meetings in consultation with the bodies concerned;

10. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take concrete measures, through all the communications media at his disposal, to give widespread publicity to the activities of the United Nations system in the field of youth and to increase the dissemination of information on youth;

11. *Appeals* to all States, to international governmental and non-governmental organizations and to the public to make in due time generous voluntary contributions to supplement funds provided under the United Nations regular budget for the costs of the programme of the International Youth Year and requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures for obtaining such voluntary contributions;

12. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-sixth session the item entitled "International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace" and to grant it high priority.

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35/127. Preservation and further development of cultural values, including the protection, restitution and return of cultural and artistic property

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3026 A (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 3148 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 31/39 of 30 November 1976 and 33/49 of 14 December 1978,

Profoundly convinced of the continuing need to develop and strengthen international cultural relations, based on mutual respect for cultural integrity and on the principles of equality and sovereignty of States,

Recognizing that the future of international cultural relations is closely interrelated with the preservation, development and promotion of cultural values as important factors of the identity and diversity of all nations,

Considering that the preservation and development of cultural values, which form part of mankind's cultural heritage, have a great role to play in the process of preparation of societies for life in peace and in the furtherance of the ideals of peace, humanism and freedom,

Aware of the importance of cultural values as a catalyst of world progress and national development, particularly in the social and economic fields,

Conscious of the role of the cultural dimension in plans and actions aiming at the establishment of the new international economic order,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization⁵⁰ on the preservation and further development of cultural values, including the protection, restitution and return of cultural and artistic property;

2. *Commends* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization for including on a continuing basis the problem of the preservation and further development of cultural values in its medium-term and long-term plans and for the significant results already accomplished in that field;

3. *Calls upon* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to continue pursuing active efforts with a view to promoting the preservation and further development of cultural values, including the inscription of the subject on the agenda of the World Conference on Cultural Policies, to be held in 1982.

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35/128. Return or restitution of cultural and artistic property to its countries of origin

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3026 A (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, 3148 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973, 3187 (XXVIII) of 18 December 1973, 3391 (XXX) of 19 November 1975, 31/40 of 30 November 1976, 32/18 of 11 November 1977, 33/50 of 14 December 1978 and 34/64 of 29 November 1979,

Recalling also the Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property,⁵¹ adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on 14 November 1970,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,⁵⁰

Aware of the importance attached by the countries of origin to the return of cultural property which is of fundamental spiritual and cultural value to them, so that they may constitute comprehensive or single collections representative of their cultural heritage,

Reaffirming that the return or restitution to a country of its *objets d'art*, monuments, museum pieces, manuscripts, documents and any other cultural or artistic treasures constitutes a step forward in the strengthening of international co-operation and the preservation and further development of cultural values,

Deeply concerned at the persistence of the illicit traffic in cultural property, which continues to impoverish the cultural heritage of all peoples,

Supporting the solemn appeal launched on 7 June 1978 by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization for the return to those who created it of an irreplaceable cultural heritage,

⁵⁰ A/35/349, annex.

⁵¹ United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, *Records of the General Conference, Sixteenth Session*, vol. I, *Resolutions*, pp. 135-141.