

Africa and the implementation of the United Nations resolutions relating to the liberation and independence of Namibia;

6. *Welcomes* the efforts of the Committee aimed at the elimination of all forms of discrimination against national or ethnic minorities, persons belonging to such minorities and indigenous populations, wherever such discrimination exists, and the attainment of the full enjoyment of their human rights through the implementation of the principles and provisions of the Convention;

7. *Welcomes further* the efforts of the Committee aimed at the elimination of all forms of discrimination against migrant workers and their families, the promotion of their rights on a non-discriminatory basis and the achievement of their full equality, including the freedom to maintain their cultural characteristics;

8. *Calls upon* all Member States to adopt effective legislative, socio-economic and other necessary measures in order to ensure the prevention or elimination of discrimination based on race, colour, descent or national or ethnic origin;

9. *Further calls upon* the States parties to the Convention to protect fully, by the adoption of the relevant legislative and other measures, in conformity with the Convention, the rights of national or ethnic minorities and persons belonging to such minorities, as well as the rights of indigenous populations;

10. *Commends* the States parties to the Convention on the measures taken to ensure, within their jurisdiction, the availability of appropriate recourse procedures for the victims of racial discrimination;

11. *Reiterates its invitation* to the States parties to the Convention to provide the Committee, in accordance with its general guidelines, with information on the implementation of the provisions of the Convention, including information on the demographic composition of their population and on their relations with the racist régime of South Africa;

12. *Takes note with appreciation* of the contribution of the Committee towards the achievement of the goals of the Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,<sup>48</sup> as well as its contribution to the Second World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination in preparing studies on the implementation of particular articles of the Convention;

13. *Appeals* to the States parties to take fully into consideration their obligation under the Convention to submit their reports in due time.

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### 38/22. International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 34/151 of 17 December 1979, 35/126 of 11 December 1980, 36/28 of 13 November 1981 and 37/48 of 3 December 1982,

*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 funda-

mental 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, against foreign domination and occupation, and for 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 again* that the United Nations should pay more attention to the role of 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 intensify 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 importance of better co-ordination of efforts in dealing with specific 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,

*Aware* of the valuable contribution which the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is making to the promotion of international co-operation in the field of youth,

*Convinced* that the preparation for and observance in 1985 of the International Youth Year with the motto "Participation, Development, Peace" will offer a useful and significant opportunity for drawing attention to the situation and specific 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 national, regional and international 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 overall 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 for 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,<sup>49</sup>

*Recalling also* in this connection its decision 35/424 of 5 December 1980 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on the question of guidelines for 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 intergov-

<sup>48</sup> See resolution 38/14 above.

<sup>49</sup> Resolution 35/46, annex.

ernmental and non-governmental organizations and the public will be required.

*Recognizing* the important role of United Nations bodies, the specialized agencies and the regional commissions in promoting international co-operation in the field of youth and the necessity of strengthening their role in the effective implementation of the Specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year,<sup>50</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 37/48;<sup>51</sup>

2. *Commends* the five regional meetings devoted to the International Youth Year held during 1983 and requests the Secretary-General to bring the regional plans of action and the recommendations adopted by the regional meetings to the notice of all States with a view to their implementation;

3. *Again invites* all States that have not already done so to establish national co-ordinating committees or other forms of co-ordination for the International Youth Year;

4. *Stresses again* 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 for and observance of the International Youth Year;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to use all means at his disposal, within existing resources, to ensure the implementation of and follow-up to the Specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year, including the provision of information;

6. *Decides* that the third session of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year shall be convened at Vienna from 2 to 11 April 1984;

7. *Requests* the Advisory Committee to make every effort to implement the tasks entrusted to it by decisions of the General Assembly and by recommendations of the five regional meetings devoted to the International Youth Year and to submit the report on its third session to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session with practical proposals on specific ways and means for the observance, in 1985, of the International Youth Year in an appropriate organizational framework within the United Nations;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take concrete measures, within existing resources, using 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;

9. *Welcomes* the voluntary contributions made so far for the International Youth Year, expresses its appreciation to all contributors and again 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 regular budget of the United Nations for the costs of the Specific Programme of Measures and Activities and requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures for obtaining such voluntary contributions;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-ninth session the item entitled "International Youth

Year: Participation, Development, Peace" and to grant it high priority.

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**38/23. Efforts and measures for securing the implementation and the enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the right to education and to work**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 36/29 of 13 November 1981 and 37/49 of 3 December 1982, in which it, *inter alia*, recognized the need to adopt appropriate measures for securing the implementation and the enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the right to education and to work,

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

*Convinced* that it is necessary to ensure full enjoyment by youth of the rights stipulated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,<sup>52</sup> the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights<sup>53</sup> and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,<sup>53</sup> with special regard for the right to education and to work,

*Aware* of the fact that insufficient education and the unemployment of young people limits their ability to participate in the development process, and, in this regard, emphasizing the importance of the secondary and higher education of young people, as well as of access for them to appropriate technical, vocational guidance and training programmes,

*Expressing its serious interest* in the success of the International Youth Year which should, *inter alia*, promote increasing participation of young people in the socio-economic life of their country,

1. *Calls upon* all States, all governmental and non-governmental organizations and the interested bodies of the United Nations and specialized agencies to pay continuous attention to the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 36/29 and 37/49 relating to efforts and measures aimed at the promotion of human rights and their enjoyment by youth, particularly the right to education and vocational training and to work, with a view to resolving the problem of youth unemployment;

2. *Requests* the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year to give full attention to resolutions 36/29 and 37/49 and to all relevant international human rights instruments in the preparation for and in the course of the International Youth Year, in particular in elaborating its recommendations concerning the Year;

3. *Invites* national co-ordinating committees or other organs of co-ordination for the International Youth Year to give appropriate priority in activities to be undertaken prior to and during the Year to the implementation and the enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the right to education and to work.

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<sup>50</sup> A/36/215, annex, sect. IV, decision 1 (D).

<sup>51</sup> A/38/460 and Add.1.

<sup>52</sup> Resolution 217 A (III).

<sup>53</sup> Resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.