

5. *Reiterates* the need to mobilize substantial adequate flows of financial resources commensurate with the needs of developing countries in the field of new and renewable sources of energy, emphasizes the need to utilize existing channels fully, including the United Nations Trust Fund for New and Renewable Sources of Energy, and urges donor countries to continue voluntary contributions to that Fund;

6. *Reaffirms* the importance of increasing inter-agency co-operation within the United Nations system, as well as co-ordination of development activities for new and renewable sources of energy at all levels;

7. *Invites* interested States to inform the Committee, at its sixth session, of their ongoing technical and scientific activities and/or evaluations with regard to selected substantive themes, and invites interested States, organizations of the United Nations system and other interested organizations to convene technical and scientific meetings, related to the substantive themes, that would contribute to the examination of such themes in depth, and to inform the Committee, also at its sixth session, of the results of those meetings;

8. *Calls* for the strengthening of the activities of the United Nations in the field of development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a comprehensive and analytical study on new and renewable sources of energy with a view to providing a significant contribution to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, through the Preparatory Committee for the Conference, to enable it to consider appropriate action, including funding and technology transfer, within its area of competence and within existing financial resources, not excluding voluntary contributions; and also requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Preparatory Committee at its fourth session and to the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy at its sixth session;

10. *Requests* the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy, drawing upon necessary expertise, to assess and review the implementation of the Nairobi Programme of Action and the results achieved so far, bearing in mind the need to pursue actively the goals and objectives contained therein;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution, including the ways and means available to the secretariat of the Committee on the Development and Utilization of New and Renewable Sources of Energy to fulfil its functions.

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45/209. Development of the energy resources of developing countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Declaration on International Economic Co-operation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing

Countries, contained in the annex to its resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, and the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990,

Recalling also its resolutions 40/208 of 17 December 1985 and 43/193 of 20 December 1988 on the development of the energy resources of developing countries,

Reaffirming the importance of the development of the energy resources of developing countries and the need for urgent measures by the international community to assist and support the efforts of the developing countries, in particular the energy-deficient among them, to develop their energy resources, in order to meet their needs through co-operation, assistance and investment in the field of conventional and of new and renewable sources of energy, consistent with their national plans and priorities,

Reaffirming also that the developing countries have the primary responsibility for their strategies and policies for the exploration and development of their energy resources, including the mobilization of financial resources, internal and external, in order to develop their national technical skills and capabilities in the energy sector,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolutions 40/208 and 43/193 and calls for the effective implementation of all their provisions;

2. *Welcomes* the report of the Secretary-General on energy exploration and development trends in developing countries⁷⁶ and the outline of a programme of action for the acceleration of energy exploration and development in developing countries, contained therein;

3. *Reaffirms* that an adequate flow of external resources in support of the national efforts of energy-deficient developing countries is needed to finance their exploration and development of indigenous energy resources;

4. *Welcomes* the convening of symposia and other similar undertakings called for in resolution 40/208, and calls upon interested Member States, in co-operation with the appropriate organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to continue to explore ways and means to support the efforts of developing countries in the exploration and development of their energy resources;

5. *Stresses* the need for comprehensive national, bilateral and multilateral measures, particularly with regard to financing, investment and technology, as well as training of national technical personnel, to accelerate the exploration and development of energy resources in developing countries, including new and renewable sources of energy;

6. *Also stresses* the need to take into consideration environmental and developmental concerns as they apply to all countries in accordance with their respective capabilities and their responsibilities for global environmental degradation;

7. *Further stresses* the importance of integrated energy strategies and the need for comprehensive conservation and efficient management of energy resources in

⁷⁶ A/45/274-E/1990/73 and Corr.1.

developed and developing countries, bearing in mind trends in the energy markets;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1992.

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45/210. Environment and international trade

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 44/228 of 22 December 1989 on the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development,

Affirming decision 384 (XXXVII) of 12 October 1990 of the Trade and Development Board, entitled "UNCTAD's contribution, within its mandate, to sustainable development",⁵⁹

Also affirming decision 1/25 of 31 August 1990 of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, entitled "Environment and development",⁷⁷

Reaffirming the statement on sustainable development contained in annex II to decision 15/2 of 26 May 1989 of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme,⁷⁸

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, in close co-operation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development and relevant United Nations bodies, taking into account the relevant parts of Trade and Development Board decision 384 (XXXVII) and the work done by international organizations and in other relevant forums and in conformity with General Assembly resolution 44/228, in which it was stated that environmental concerns and considerations are crucial to achieving sustainable development for all countries but should not serve as a pretext for creating unjustified barriers to trade, to prepare a comprehensive analytical study, to be submitted to the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development at its third session, on the present situation and future trends regarding the relationship between environmental issues and international trade and covering, *inter alia*, the following subjects:

(a) The consideration of trade and environment, in the light of the analysis requested of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in paragraph 5 of Trade and Development Board decision 384 (XXXVII) concerning the issue of sustainable development, in particular the reduction of poverty and its interface with policies and mechanisms in environmentally sensitive sectors, such as agriculture, energy, industry and transport, as well as with relevant structural policies, such as those related to the enterprise sector;

⁷⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 46 (A/45/46)*, annex I.

⁷⁸ *Ibid.*, *Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/44/25)*, annex I.

(b) Adjustment of the Trade Control Measures Information System of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to monitor environmental regulations for possible protectionism and to monitor non-tariff measures that have a bearing on the environment, in accordance with paragraph 6 of Trade and Development Board decision 384 (XXXVII);

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development to consult the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and relevant United Nations organs, organizations and programmes in preparing the report on transfer of technology requested in decision 1/8 of 30 August 1990, adopted by the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development at its first substantive session,² for submission to the third session of the Preparatory Committee, including an examination of the obstacles on both the importing and exporting sides that impede the transfer of environmentally sound technologies.

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45/211. United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling the report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development on its organizational session, held in New York from 5 to 16 March 1990,⁷⁹

Having considered the report of the Preparatory Committee on its first session, held at Nairobi from 6 to 31 August 1990,⁸⁰

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 44/228 of 22 December 1989 on the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

2. *Stresses* the fundamental interrelationship between environment and development, and reiterates the need to integrate and keep the balance between the environmental and developmental dimensions during the entire preparatory process and during the Conference, and the need for cross-sectoral issues to be fully integrated into that work;

3. *Endorses* the decisions contained in the report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development on its organizational session;⁷⁹

4. *Takes note* of the report of the Preparatory Committee on its first session and endorses the decisions contained therein;⁸¹

5. *Decides* that the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development shall take place at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 1 to 12 June 1992;

6. *Urges* that representation at the Conference be at the level of head of State or Government;

7. *Invites* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to issue invitations to all States Members of the

⁷⁹ *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 48 (A/44/48)*.

⁸⁰ *Ibid.*, *Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 46 (A/45/46)*.

⁸¹ *Ibid.*, annex I.