UNITED NATIONS DECADE FOR WOMEN: EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women

Belgium, Barbados, Jamaica, Kuwait, Papua New Guinea, United Kingdom, United Republic of Cameroon: draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 31/133 of 16 December 1976 containing the criteria and arrangements for management of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women, and its resolution 34/156 of 17 December 1979 on the report of the Voluntary Fund,


Welcoming the support expressed by the 1980 World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women for the work of the Voluntary Fund in the Programme of Action and in its resolution No. 42,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women,

1. Notes with satisfaction the decisions of the Consultative Committee on the Voluntary Fund during its seventh and eighth sessions;

2. Welcomes the new procedures and increased use of the Fund in relation to projects at country-level;

3. Expresses its appreciation to the relevant organs of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund, for their invaluable assistance to the ongoing work of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade for Women;
4. **Urges** the concerned regional commissions which have not already done so to strengthen their women's programmes from within regular budget resources;

5. Requests all relevant organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to review their financial and technical support activities to assess both the involvement of and the impact on women, and to report to the General Assembly every second year beginning at its thirty-fourth session the results of the reviews and as appropriate corrective actions taken; *

6. Expresses its appreciation for the voluntary contributions pledged by Member States and appeals to Member States who are in a position to do so to consider giving or increasing their support to the Fund in order to ensure the availability of resources sufficient to meet rapidly multiplying demands in developing countries;

7. Requests the Secretary-General:

   (a) To continue to report annually on the management of the Fund as well as on the progress in the implementation of its activities;

   (b) To continue to include the Fund on an annual basis as one of the programmes of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities.

* E/RES/1/37.