

2148 (XXI). International Tourist Year

The General Assembly,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1108 (XL) of 7 March 1966, recommending that the year 1967 be designated as International Tourist Year,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 1130 (XLI) of 26 July 1966,

Recalling further the resolution of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism entitled "Importance of tourism",¹ which stated, *inter alia*, that tourism is a basic and most desirable human activity deserving the praise and encouragement of all peoples and all Governments,

Taking into account the recommendations contained in annex A.IV.24 of the Final Act of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,² which recognizes that international tourism, as an important invisible export, can and does make a vital contribution to the economic growth of developing countries,

Bearing in mind the need for international co-operation in promoting tourism in view of its useful role in the educational, cultural, economic and social fields,

Recognizing the importance of international tourism, and particularly of the designation of an International Tourist Year, in fostering better understanding among peoples everywhere, in leading to a greater awareness of the rich heritage of various civilizations and in bringing about a better appreciation of the inherent values of different cultures, thereby contributing to the strengthening of peace in the world,

Considering that the designation of an International Tourist Year will encourage the intensification of national and international co-operative efforts, by both Governments and interested organizations, for the promotion of tourism, in particular to developing countries,

Taking note with interest of the report of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations³ on the preparations for the International Tourist Year and the proposals contained therein to encourage international tourism, in particular to developing countries,

1. *Designates* 1967 as International Tourist Year;

2. *Invites* the States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, and the international, inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, to exert all possible efforts for the success of the International Tourist Year, with special emphasis on promoting tourism to developing countries;

3. *Further invites* those States and organizations to take into account, as appropriate, in their plans and programmes for the International Tourist Year, the proposals contained in the above-mentioned report of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide, within the limits of existing resources and available funds, the necessary assistance for the successful organization of the International Tourist Year, including the widespread dissemination of information on its objectives;

¹ See *Recommendations on International Travel and Tourism* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 64.I.6), p. 17.

² See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development*, vol. I, *Final Act and Report* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 64.II.B.11), p. 55.

³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Annexes*, agenda item 20, document E/4218.

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, in co-operation with the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, and to submit to the Economic and Social Council, if possible in 1968, a report embodying:

(a) A description of the programmes and activities undertaken by Governments and interested organizations during the International Tourist Year, with specific mention of exceptional temporary measures taken by individual Governments;

(b) An assessment of the results achieved in realizing the aims and objectives set for the International Tourist Year, particularly in encouraging tourism to developing countries.

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2152 (XXI). United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that the industrialization of developing countries is essential for their economic and social development and for the expansion and diversification of their trade,

Conscious of the fact that the acceleration of industrial development, especially in the developing countries, depends largely on the broadest international co-operation,

Considering the widespread desire for a comprehensive organization capable of intensifying, co-ordinating and expediting the efforts of the United Nations system in the field of industrial development,

Bearing in mind the need for special measures designed to give additional impetus to the industrialization of the less advanced of the developing countries,

Recalling its resolution 2089 (XX) of 20 December 1965, by which it established within the United Nations an autonomous organization for the promotion of industrial development,

Having considered the report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the United Nations Organization for Industrial Development,⁴

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Decides that the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (hereinafter referred to as the Organization), established as an organ of the General Assembly, shall function as an autonomous organization within the United Nations in accordance with the provisions set forth in section II below;

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PURPOSE

1. The purpose of the Organization shall be to promote industrial development, in accordance with Article 1, paragraph 3, and Articles 55 and 56 of the Charter of the United Nations, and by encouraging the mobilization of national and international resources to assist in, promote and accelerate the industrialization of the developing countries, with particular emphasis on the manufacturing sector.

⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes*, agenda item 41, document A/6229.