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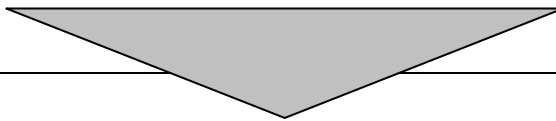
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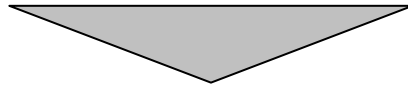
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The Board takes note of the information contained in the document Follow-up to ECOSOC and General Assembly Resolutions on Actions to Be Taken by the Executive Boards of the United Nations Funds and Programmes (WFP/EB.1/2003/4-E).



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1. Article VI of the World Food Programme General Regulations, adopted by the FAO Conference (Resolution 11/97 of 17 November 1997) and by the General Assembly (Decision 52/449 of 18 December 1997), specifies the powers and functions of the Executive Board.
2. Paragraph 1 of Article VI states: "The Board shall, within the framework of these General Regulations, be responsible for providing intergovernmental support and specific policy direction to and supervision of the activities of WFP in accordance with the overall policy guidance of the General Assembly of the United Nations, the FAO Conference, the Economic and Social Council and the Council of FAO, and for ensuring that WFP is responsive to the needs and priorities of recipient countries. The Board will be subject to the general authority of the Economic and Social Council and the Council of FAO.
3. In compliance with the above mentioned and other related resolutions, the secretariat has prepared the attached chart listing the relevant ECOSOC and General Assembly resolutions. Those paragraphs that call for consideration and follow-up action by Executive Boards and Secretariats of Funds and Programmes are reproduced for information. The General Assembly's regular session begins each year on the third Tuesday in September and continues usually until the third week of December. The final text of the resolutions adopted toward the end of the year is often not made available at the same year. Therefore, the attached chart does not include those resolutions approved but not yet available at the time of the preparation of the present document.
4. As requested by the Executive Board in its decision 1999/EB.1/17, the Executive Director will report to the Board at its Annual Session of the year 2003 on follow-up action taken by WFP in compliance with the mandates contained in those resolutions approved by ECOSOC in 2002 and the General Assembly in 2001/2002.





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RES.2002/01 15 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict</p> <p>Para 5: <i>Requests</i> the Secretary-General and the United Nations Development Group, as well as other relevant United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies, to assist such an ad hoc advisory group in accomplishing its mandate, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions to cooperate to that end;</p> <p>Para 9: <i>Encourages</i> all States Members of the United Nations, particularly donor countries, to contribute to the work of such an ad hoc advisory group;</p>
RES.2002/04 24 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Situation of women and girls in Afghanistan</p> <p>Para 6: <i>Invites</i> the United Nations system, international and non-governmental organizations, and multilateral and bilateral donors:</p> <p>(a) To ensure a human rights-based approach and gender mainstreaming in all programmes and operations, based on the principles of non-discrimination and equality between women and men, and ensure that women benefit equally with men from such programmes in all sectors;</p> <p>(b) To develop comprehensive and coherent gender policy and programmes in Afghanistan, apply good practices of gender budgeting and strengthen inter-agency mechanisms for coordination and cooperation;</p> <p>(c) To ensure the full and effective participation of Afghan women in all stages of humanitarian assistance, recovery, reconstruction and development, including planning, programme development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation;</p>

* Secretariat refers to WFP Secretariat.

* Timing is in response to follow-up action.

* Report requested means that the Secretariat has been requested to submit a report.

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RES.2002/06 24 July 2002	Secretariat EB	2003	No	<p>(d) To employ Afghan women, inter alia, in management positions, promote security in their employment with the assistance community and respect the right to women's freedom of movement for women;</p> <p>(e) To support the elements of civil society active in the field of human rights, in particular women's rights;</p> <p>(f) To ensure that all United Nations international and national personnel, prior to beginning their service, receive appropriate training on the history, culture and traditions of Afghanistan and are fully familiar with and guided by international standards of the human rights of women and girls;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Encourages</i> the continuing efforts of the United Nations, international and non-governmental organizations and donors to ensure that all United Nations-assisted programmes in Afghanistan are formulated and coordinated in such a way as to promote and ensure the participation of women in those programmes and that women benefit equally with men from such programmes;</p> <p>Para 9: <i>Calls upon</i> the international community to continue to provide financial and technical assistance, including human rights education, to protect the human rights of women and girls and to support initiatives to end violence against them and to increase their economic security, as well as to strengthen the capacity of Afghan women to participate fully and effectively in conflict resolution and peace-building efforts and in civil, political, economic, cultural and social life;</p> <p>Preparations for and observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family</p> <p>Para 3: <i>Calls upon</i> all United Nations bodies, the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and the intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, in particular family-related organizations, to make every possible effort towards the implementation of the objectives of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family by integrating the family perspective into the planning and decision-making processes;</p>





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RES.2002/23 24 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Para 4: <i>Decides</i> that the major activities for the observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family should be concentrated at the local, national and regional levels and that the United Nations system should assist Governments in these efforts;</p> <p>Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system</p> <p>Para 2: <i>Calls upon</i> Member States and all other actors of the United Nations system to continue to mainstream a gender perspective into all activities at all levels;</p> <p>Para 4: <i>Expresses its appreciation</i> to its subsidiary bodies for the progress made in giving attention to situations that are specific to women and to the mainstreaming of gender perspectives into their work, for example by:</p> <p>(a) Identifying gender equality as an essential element for the realization of social, people-centred and sustainable development, and approaching gender as an issue that cuts across all areas of policy rather than only addressing women as a social group to be targeted;</p> <p>(b) Stressing the need to include women in planning, decision-making and implementation processes at all levels;</p> <p>(c) Emphasizing the link between human rights and gender equality by using specific agenda items to focus attention on gender equality issues and ensuring the general consideration of gender perspectives throughout their respective agendas;</p> <p>(d) Recognizing that men and women are often affected differently by political, economic, social and environmental factors, and the consequent need to develop gender-sensitive policies that address the different experiences of men and women in response;</p> <p>(e) Continuing to use and call for data disaggregated on the basis of sex and using indicators that provide separate analysis by sex;</p>



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				<p>Para 5: <i>Calls</i> upon its subsidiary bodies to intensify their efforts to mainstream gender perspectives in their work;</p> <p>Para 6: <i>Also calls upon</i> its subsidiary bodies to continue their efforts to address gender perspectives in relation to the thematic issues of their multi-year programmes of work or in relation to annual themes;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Calls upon</i> the bureaux of its subsidiary bodies to consider how best to facilitate specific gender discussions in their work;</p> <p>Para 8: <i>Encourages</i> its subsidiary bodies to increase their collaboration with the Commission on the Status of Women, and encourages the Commission to continue its efforts to highlight gender perspectives in the work of the Council and its other subsidiary bodies;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Encourages</i> the collection, provision and use by the United Nations system and its subsidiary bodies of data disaggregated by sex and other gender-specific information, as one of the means by which obstacles to the integration of a gender perspective can be monitored and addressed;</p>
RES.2002/26 24 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and protection of their human rights</p> <p>Para 4: <i>Urges</i> Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to take practical action to create greater awareness and support for the further implementation of the Standard Rules, to suggest measures for the further promotion and protection of the human rights of persons with disabilities, to improve cooperation within the United Nations system in the field of disability and to find forms for future monitoring of the Standard Rules;</p>



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				<p>Para 8: <i>Invites</i> the relevant bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, including relevant human rights treaty bodies within their respective mandates, and urges the regional commissions, intergovernmental organizations, as well as non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, to work closely with the United Nations programme on persons with disabilities to promote the rights of persons with disabilities, including activities at the field level, by sharing knowledge, experiences, results and recommendations concerning persons with disabilities;</p> <p>Para 9: <i>Encourages</i> Governments and the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions, to enhance cooperation with organizations of persons with disabilities and other organizations concerned with disability issues so as to implement the Standard rules in an effective and coordinated manner;</p> <p>Para 14: <i>Encourages</i> Governments, the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions, as well as non-governmental organizations, in particular organizations of persons with disabilities, to take active part in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee, in accordance with the standard practice of the General Assembly;</p> <p>Para 15: <i>Also encourages</i> Governments, as well as non-governmental organizations and the private sector, to continue to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability in order to support the activities of the Special Rapporteur as well as new and expanded initiatives to strengthen national capacities for equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities.</p>
RES.2002/28 25 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Permanent Forum on Indigenous issues</p> <p>Para 3: <i>Invites</i> the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, including the Inter-Agency Support Group for the Forum, other relevant international and regional organizations and bodies and indigenous people and indigenous peoples to assist the Forum in carrying out its mandate as enumerated in paragraph 2 of Council resolution 2000/22, including through the provision of staff;</p>



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RES.2002/29 25 July 2002	Secretariat EB	2003 ECOSOC	Yes	<p>Para 4: <i>Urges</i> Governments, financial institutions and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to consider contributing to the voluntary fund for the Forum to be established by the Secretary-General;</p> <p>Para 5: <i>Takes note</i> with interest of the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action identified by the Forum in its report on its first session, and invites States, organizations of the United Nations system, other relevant international and regional organizations, and indigenous people and indigenous peoples to take them into consideration and, where they so decide, to take action;</p> <p>Progress on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 56/201 on the triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system</p> <p>Para 2: <i>Stresses</i> the need for all organizations of the United Nations development system, in accordance with their respective mandates, to focus their efforts at the field level in accordance with the priorities identified by recipient countries and the goals, targets and commitments set in the United Nations Millennium Declaration and by the major United Nations conferences;</p> <p>Para 3: <i>Reiterates</i> that the fundamental characteristics of the operational activities of the United Nations system should be, inter alia, their universal, voluntary and grant nature, their neutrality and their multilateralism, as well as their ability to respond to development needs in a flexible manner, and that the operational activities of the United Nations system are carried out for the benefit of recipient countries, at the request of those countries and in accordance with their own policies and priorities for development;</p> <p>Funding of operational activities for development of the United Nations system</p> <p>Para 5: <i>Takes note</i> of the concern with respect to current estimates of shortfalls in the resources required to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration;</p>

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				<p>Para 6: <i>Encourages</i> all countries to further their support for the operational activities of the United Nations through increased funding, particularly to the regular resources of the United Nations funds and programmes;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Notes</i> the efforts of the executive boards and secretariats of the United Nations Development Programme and United Nations Population Fund and of the United Nations Children's Fund to establish multi-year funding frameworks that integrate programme objectives, resources, budgets and outcomes, with the objective of increasing core resources and enhancing their predictability, and in this regard invites them to continue to develop and refine the frameworks as a strategic resource management tool;</p> <p>Para 8: <i>Notes with regret</i> that, although significant progress has been achieved with regard to the governance and functioning of the United Nations development system, there has not been, as part of that overall process of change, a significant increase in the regular resources for operational activities for development;</p> <p>Para 9: <i>Stresses</i> that the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, requires a new partnership between donor and recipient countries, based on the recognition of national leadership and ownership of development plans, as well as sound policies and good governance at national and international levels;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Also stresses</i> the need to strive to achieve the targets for resource mobilization identified in the relevant multi-year funding frameworks of United Nations funds and programmes;</p>



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				<p>Capacity-building</p> <p>Para 14: <i>Requests</i> all organizations of the United Nations development system at the country level, in full consultations with recipient Governments and other relevant stakeholders, to focus on capacity-building as one of their primary objectives, and to identify and focus on those areas where national capacities do not exist or are inadequate and, in this regard, also requests all organizations of the United Nations development system to formulate explicitly the expected outcomes of their capacity-building activities, and to integrate them into the implementation and monitoring of their projects and programmes;</p> <p>Para 15: <i>Requests</i> all organizations of the United Nations development system, under the aegis of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to cooperate closely in further defining and/or updating the indicators and benchmarks used to design, manage and monitor capacity-building activities in support of the efforts made by recipient countries to achieve the internationally agreed development goals and objectives, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration;</p> <p>Para 16: <i>Encourages</i> the organizations of the United Nations development system, in full collaboration with recipient Governments and other relevant stakeholders, to intensify their efforts to reflect on and analyse their knowledge of and experience with capacity-building, with a view to offering improved support to the development of national capacities and, in this context, to intensify the exchange of experience and the sharing of best practices;</p> <p>Para 17: <i>Requests</i> all organizations of the United Nations development system to develop further and implement monitoring and evaluation methodologies and mechanisms related to capacity-building outcomes;</p>





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				<p>Common country assessment and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework</p> <p>Para 18: <i>Requests</i> United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies to ensure the integration of their operational activities for development with national development efforts, with active and full government participation and leadership at all stages of the common country assessment and United Nations Development Assistance Framework processes, as well as broader involvement of all relevant stakeholders;</p> <p>Para 19: <i>Encourages</i> the United Nations system organizations to continue their efforts to promote collaboration among themselves, under the leadership of the recipient Government, on the basis of frameworks for coordination, assessment and programming such as, inter alia, the common country assessment and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework, taking into account the lessons learned from the current applications;</p> <p>Para 20: <i>Also encourages</i> greater cooperation among the World Bank, the regional development banks and all funds and programmes, taking into account their respective competencies, mandates and comparative advantages, with a view to achieving increased complementarity and better division of labour, as well as enhanced coherence in their sectoral activities, building on the existing arrangements and in full accordance with the priorities of the recipient Government and, in this regard, emphasizes the importance of ensuring, under the leadership of national Governments, greater consistency between the strategic frameworks developed by the United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and the Bretton Woods institutions, and the national poverty reduction strategies, including the Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers, where they exist;</p> <p>Evaluation of operational activities for development</p> <p>Para 22: <i>Reaffirms</i> that the effectiveness of operational activities should be assessed by their impact on poverty eradication, economic growth and sustainable development of recipient countries as set out in the commitments, goals and targets of the Millennium Declaration and of the major United Nations conferences;</p>



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				<p>Para 23: <i>Emphasizes</i> that the United Nations system should strive towards continuous improvement of instruments of monitoring and evaluation with a view to ensuring that evaluation results and lessons learned are taken into account in decision-making on policy and programming, bearing in mind that national ownership of operational activities and the integration with national efforts are necessary conditions for their effectiveness and sustainability;</p> <p>Para 24: <i>Underlines</i> that future assessments of the effectiveness of the operational activities for development of the United Nations system should make full use of the data and expertise available within the United Nations system and from national authorities in full collaboration with national stakeholders and United Nations entities;</p> <p>Simplification and harmonization of rules and procedures on operational activities</p> <p>Para 25: <i>Notes with appreciation</i> the submission of a programme of work for the full simplification and harmonization of rules and procedures in key areas by the United Nations funds and programmes as contained in the annex to the consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities for development, 2002, and requests its implementation in a timely manner;</p> <p>Para 26: <i>Notes</i> the role of the Executive Committee of the United Nations Development Group in facilitating the definition of the agenda on simplification and harmonization and its implementation, while acknowledging that the ultimate responsibility for implementing this agenda rests with the funds and programmes, and also notes, in this respect, that the United Nations funds and programmes are requested to report annually on the progress made in this area to the Economic and Social Council and the respective executive boards;</p> <p>Para 27: <i>Also notes</i> the progress made in increasing the number of United Nations Houses and the approach adopted to achieve and enhance common premises and services at the country level, particularly by members of the Executive Committee of the United Nations Development Group, in cooperation with other organizations of the system;</p>



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RES.2002/30 25 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Para 28: <i>Encourages</i> the United Nations funds and programmes to continue their efforts to promote collaboration among themselves through joint initiatives, including joint programming, where appropriate;</p> <p>Para 29: <i>Invites</i> the executive boards of the United Nations funds and programmes as well as the governing bodies of the specialized agencies to consider the issue of common services and take concrete steps to facilitate its implementation at the country level, inter alia, by providing financial support to the process of setting up such services;</p> <p>Para 30: <i>Encourages</i> the executive boards of the United Nations funds and programmes to consider further progress in the areas of simplification and harmonization of the rules and procedures on operational activities at an upcoming joint session of the boards before the next triennial comprehensive policy review.</p> <p>Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations</p> <p>Para 3: <i>Recommends</i> that all States intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), and other relevant resolutions of the United Nations;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Requests</i> the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and international and regional organizations to examine and review conditions in each Territory so as to take appropriate measures to accelerate progress in the economic and social sectors of the Territories;</p> <p>Para 8: <i>Requests</i> the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations and regional organizations to strengthen existing measures of support and formulate appropriate programmes of assistance to the remaining Non-Self-Governing Territories, within the framework of their respective mandates, in order to accelerate progress in the economic and social sectors of those Territories;</p>



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RES.2002/32 26 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Para 9: <i>Recommends</i> that the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system formulate, with the active cooperation of the regional organizations concerned, concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations and submit the proposals to their governing and legislative organs;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Also recommends</i> that the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system continue to review, at the regular meetings of their governing bodies, the implementation of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) and other relevant resolutions of the United Nations;</p> <p>Para 11: <i>Welcomes</i> the continuing initiative exercised by the United Nations Development Programme in maintaining close liaison among the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and in providing assistance to the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories;</p> <p>Para 18: <i>Requests</i> the Secretary-General to follow the implementation of the present resolution, paying particular attention to cooperation and integration arrangements for maximizing the efficiency of the assistance activities undertaken by various organizations of the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the Council at its substantive session of 2003;</p> <p>Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations</p> <p>Para 5: <i>Stresses</i> the continued need and relevance of integrating a gender perspective in the development and implementation of humanitarian assistance activities throughout all their phases and in prevention and recovery strategies;</p> <p>Para 6: <i>Calls upon</i> United Nations country teams in consultation with and in support of Governments to promote contingency planning for possible risks related to complex emergencies or natural disasters;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Encourages</i> States that have not signed or ratified the Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations, adopted at Tampere, Finland, on 18 June 1998, to consider doing so;</p>



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				<p>Para 8: <i>Also encourages</i> humanitarian agencies to engage in the further strengthening of humanitarian information centres, by providing timely and accurate information on assessed needs, and the activities developed to respond to them;</p> <p>Para 9: <i>Calls upon</i> the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs as well as the United Nations Development Programme, in consultation with Governments and the humanitarian and development community, with the support of international financial institutions where appropriate, to develop humanitarian strategies to support the engagement of local communities and institutions as a means of supporting humanitarian assistance activities and the transition from relief to development;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Calls upon</i> Governments, when providing guidance to the United Nations system, including the agencies, funds and programmes through their governing bodies, to articulate areas of responsibility in addressing the transition from relief to development;</p> <p>Para 12: <i>Urges</i> the United Nations system to strengthen and align its existing planning tools such as the consolidated appeals process and, where they exist, common country assessments and the United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks in order to facilitate the transition from relief to development and better to reflect disaster risk management;</p> <p>Para 13: <i>Requests</i> the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, other members of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee, affected countries and other partners concerned to ensure that consolidated appeals contain adequate plans to align relief and transitional programmes, inter alia, in the area of resource mobilization;</p> <p>Para 14: <i>Takes note</i> of its decision to consider creating ad hoc advisory groups to examine the humanitarian and economic needs of African countries emerging from conflict, and encourages relevant parts of the United Nations system, including existing coordination structures and mechanisms, to cooperate with such ad hoc advisory groups;</p>



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				<p>Para 15: <i>Encourages</i> further strengthening of the consolidated appeals process as a coordination and strategic planning tool and urges donors to contribute to this objective and to address priority needs identified through the process, and also urges affected countries to reflect these priorities in their national efforts;</p> <p>Para 16: <i>Supports</i> the efforts of the Emergency Relief Coordinator to engage in a dialogue with other humanitarian actors, including non-governmental organizations, on strengthening their involvement in the development of common humanitarian action plans and consolidated appeals, and encourages them to contribute actively to their implementation;</p> <p>Para 17: <i>Calls upon</i> United Nations organizations to continue to improve needs-assessment methodologies in the consolidated appeals process and to strengthen efforts to report on results;</p> <p>Para 18: <i>Encourages</i> donors to ensure that financing of high-profile emergencies does not come at the expense of low-profile emergency appeals, inter alia, by making efforts to increase the overall levels of humanitarian assistance;</p> <p>Para 19: <i>Welcomes</i> the initiative of donors to meet and consider the global trend in humanitarian response to ensure that imbalances can be addressed when consolidated appeals are launched;</p> <p>Para 20: <i>Encourages</i> the development of a global humanitarian financial tracking system in order to contribute to improved coordination and accountability, and requests the Emergency Relief Coordinator to make proposals, without delay, for a comprehensive system for the collection and dissemination of data on humanitarian needs and contributions;</p> <p>Para 22: <i>Calls upon</i> all Governments and parties in complex humanitarian emergencies, in particular in armed conflicts and in post-conflict situations, in countries in which humanitarian personnel are operating, in conformity with the relevant provisions of international law and national laws, to cooperate fully with the United Nations and other humanitarian agencies and organizations and to ensure the safe and unhindered access of humanitarian personnel in order to allow them to perform efficiently their task of assisting the affected population, including refugees and internally displaced persons;</p>



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				<p>Para 23: <i>Reaffirms</i> the obligation of Member States to protect civilians in armed conflict in accordance with international humanitarian law, and invites them to promote a culture of protection, taking into account the particular needs of women, children, older persons and persons with disabilities;</p> <p>Para 24: <i>Urges</i> the international community and the United Nations system to strengthen their humanitarian and other assistance to civilians under foreign occupation;</p> <p>Para 25: <i>Encourages</i> efforts to provide education during and after humanitarian emergencies in order to contribute to a smooth transition from relief to development;</p> <p>Para 26: <i>Invites</i> Member States and other partners, as appropriate, to participate actively in workshops on the protection of civilians in order to impart knowledge and improve practice based on shared experiences;</p> <p>Para 27: <i>Encourages</i> Governments, the United Nations system and humanitarian organizations to share experiences and lessons they may have learned with regard to the development of criteria and procedures for the identification of armed elements and their separation from the civilian population in situations of complex emergencies, and urges Governments and relevant United Nations bodies to strengthen measures in this regard;</p> <p>Para 28: <i>Notes</i> with appreciation the establishment of the non-operational inter-agency Unit on Internal Displacement in the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and encourages Member States and relevant agencies to provide it with the necessary resources to enable it to carry out its activities;</p> <p>Para 29: <i>Notes</i> that an increasing number of States, United Nations organizations and regional and non-governmental organizations are making use of the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement, encourages the strengthening of legal frameworks on the protection of internally displaced persons and urges the international community to strengthen its support to affected States in their efforts to provide, through national plans or initiatives, protection and assistance to their internally displaced persons;</p>

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RES.2002/33 26 July 2002	Secretariat EB	2003	No	<p>Para 30: <i>Strongly urges</i> the United Nations system and all humanitarian organizations to adopt and implement appropriate measures, including codes of conduct, for all personnel involved in humanitarian assistance activities, to review protection and distribution mechanisms, and to recommend actions that protect against sexual abuse and exploitation and the misuse of humanitarian assistance, and requests the Secretary-General to report back to the Council in this regard;</p> <p>Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010</p> <p>Para 4: <i>Invites</i> all other organizations of the United Nations system and other multilateral organizations that have not yet done so, to mainstream the implementation of the Brussels Declaration and Programme of Action within their programmes of work, as well as within their intergovernmental processes;</p> <p>Para 6: <i>Reaffirms</i> that global-level follow-up to the Brussels Programme of Action should be primarily concerned with assessing the economic and social performance of the least developed countries, monitoring the implementation of commitments by the least developed countries and their partners, reviewing the functioning of implementation and follow-up mechanisms at the country, subregional, regional and sectoral levels, and policy developments at the global level with implications for the least developed countries;</p> <p>Para 7: <i>Invites</i> each least developed country, with the support of its development partners, to promote implementation of the actions contained in the Programme of Action by translating them into specific measures within its national development framework and poverty eradication strategy, in particular, where they exist, Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers, and with the involvement of civil society, including the private sector, on the basis of a broad-based inclusive dialogue;</p>



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				<p>Para 8: <i>Requests</i> the High Representative to submit a comprehensive progress report on the implementation of the Programme of Action to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2003, and invites all development partners, organizations of the United Nations system and other multilateral organizations to contribute to that end, and invites the High Representative to consult with Member States on the appropriate format, such as, inter alia, a matrix of achievement, for such a comprehensive report;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Invites</i> all development partners, and United Nations system and other multilateral organizations to extend to the Office of the High Representative their collaboration in the fulfilling of its mandate.</p>



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A/RES/56/103 14 Dec. 2001	Secretariat	Ongoing	No	<p>International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development</p> <p>Para 8: <i>Emphasizes</i> the importance of enhanced international cooperation, including with the United Nations and regional organizations, to assist developing countries in their efforts to build capacities, and to predict, prepare and respond to natural disasters;</p> <p>Para 9: Stresses the need for partnership among Governments of the affected countries, relevant humanitarian organizations and specialized companies to promote training in, access to and use of technologies to strengthen preparedness for and response to natural disasters, and to enhance the transfer of current technologies and corresponding know-how, in particular to developing countries, on confessional and preferential terms, as mutually agreed;</p> <p>Para 17: <i>Encourages</i> further cooperation between the United Nations system and regional organizations in order to increase the capacity of those organizations to respond to natural disasters;</p> <p>Para 19: <i>Invites</i> the United Nations system to explore further the concept of transitional recovery teams for providing assistance for bridging relief assistance and development cooperation;</p>



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A/RES/56/188 21 Dec. 2001	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Women in development</p> <p>Para 18: <i>Urges</i> the international community, the United Nations system and relevant organizations to give priority to assisting the efforts of developing countries to ensure the full and effective participation of women in deciding and implementing development strategies and integrating gender concerns into national programmes, including by providing adequate resources to operational activities for development in support of the efforts of Governments to ensure, inter alia, full and equal access of women to health care, capital, education, training and technology, as well as full and equal participation in all decision-making;</p> <p>Para 20: <i>Encourages</i> the international community, the United Nations system, the private sector and civil society to provide the necessary financial resources to assist national Governments in their efforts to meet the development targets and benchmarks agreed upon at the World Summit for Social Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women, the International Conference on Population and Development, the twenty-third and twenty-fourth special sessions of the General Assembly and other relevant United Nations conferences and summits;</p> <p>Para 21: <i>Encourages</i> the United Nations system and international and regional organizations, as appropriate, to assist Governments, at their request, in building institutional capacity and developing national action plans or further implementing existing action plans for the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action;</p> <p>Para 25: <i>Calls upon</i> the United Nations system to integrate gender mainstreaming into all its programmes and policies, including in the integrated follow-up to United Nations conferences, in accordance with agreed conclusions 1997/2 on gender mainstreaming adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1997;</p>



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A/RES/56/189 21 Dec. 2001	Secretariat	Ongoing	No	<p>Human Resources Development</p> <p>Para 3: <i>Urges</i> increased investments by all countries, the United Nations system, international organizations, the private sector, non-governmental organizations and civil society in all aspects of human development, such as health, nutrition, education, training and further capacity-building, with a view to achieving sustainable development and the well-being of all;</p> <p>Para 10: <i>Calls upon</i> the United Nations system to harmonize further its collective human resources development efforts, in accordance with national policies and priorities;</p> <p>Para 11: <i>Encourages</i> the United Nations system to take a comprehensive view of human resources development in its initiatives, relating it to the acquisition of broader knowledge, with a view to enabling human resources to respond to the new demands associated with the technology revolution and to take advantage of emerging opportunities in a globalized world;</p> <p>Para 13: <i>Further encourages</i> the United Nations system to focus in its cooperation activities on building human and institutional capacity, with specific attention given to women, girls and vulnerable groups;</p> <p>Para 14: <i>Encourages</i> the United Nations system to continue to engage, where appropriate, in partnerships with the private sector, in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions, so as to contribute further to the building of human resources development capacity in developing countries;</p> <p>Para 15: <i>Invites</i> international organizations, including international financial institutions, to continue to give priority to supporting the objectives of human resources development and to integrating them into their policies, projects and operations;</p>



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A/RES/56/207 21 Dec. 2001	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Para 16: <i>Calls upon</i> developed countries and the United Nations system to increase support to programmes and activities in developing countries for advancing human resources development and capacity-building, in particular those geared towards harnessing information and communication technologies;</p> <p>Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997–2006), including the proposal to establish a world solidarity fund for poverty eradication</p> <p>Para 1: <i>Stresses</i> that the United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) should contribute to achieving the targets of halving, by 2015, the proportion of the world's people whose income is less than one dollar a day and the proportion of people who suffer from hunger, through decisive national action and strengthened international cooperation;</p> <p>Para 20: <i>Reaffirms</i> that all Governments and the United Nations system should promote an active and visible policy of mainstreaming a gender perspective in all policies and programmes aimed at the eradication of poverty, at both the national and the international level, and encourages the use of gender analysis as a tool for the integration of a gender dimension into planning the implementation of policies, strategies and programmes for the eradication of poverty;</p> <p>Para 33: <i>Reaffirms</i> the role of United Nations funds and programmes, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, in assisting the national efforts of developing countries, inter alia, in the eradication of poverty, and the need for their funding in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions;</p> <p>Para 36: <i>Calls upon</i> Member States and the international community to support and participate in the global efforts for poverty eradication at the global, regional and country levels in order to ensure that the development and poverty reduction goals, as set out in the United Nations Millennium Declaration, are realized, and also calls upon the international community to support those efforts and to strengthen the resources available to the United Nations in order to enhance its capacity to support and coordinate all relevant initiatives in this regard and play its role of facilitator and advocate;</p>



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A/RES/56/210B 9 July 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Para 38: <i>Welcomes favourably</i> the proposal to establish a world solidarity fund for poverty eradication and the promotion of human and social development in developing countries, in particular among the poorest segments of their population;</p> <p>International Conference on Financing for Development</p> <p>Para 4: <i>Stresses</i> the importance of keeping fully engaged, nationally, regionally and internationally, ensuring proper follow-up to the implementation of agreements and commitments reached at the Conference, and continuing to build bridges between development, finance, and trade organizations and initiatives, within the framework of the holistic agenda of the Conference;</p>
A/RES/56/229 24 Dec. 2001	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>Convention on the Elimination of all forms of discrimination against women</p> <p>Para 15: <i>Urges</i> Governments, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to disseminate the Convention and the Optional Protocol thereto;</p> <p>Para 16: <i>Encourages</i> all relevant entities of the United Nations system, within their mandates, as well as Governments and intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, in particular women's organizations, as appropriate, to continue to assist States parties, upon their request, in implementing the Convention, and in this regard encourages States parties to pay attention to the concluding comments as well as the general recommendations of the Committee;</p> <p>Para 17: <i>Encourages</i> all relevant entities of the United Nations system to continue to build women's knowledge and understanding of and capacity to utilize human rights instruments, in particular the Convention and the Optional Protocol thereto;</p>





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A/RES/57/2 16 Sept. 2002	Secretariat EB	Ongoing	No	<p>United Nations Declaration on the New Partnership for Africa's Development</p> <p>Para 3: We recommit ourselves to meeting the special needs of Africa as recognized in the Millennium Declaration, the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the substantive session of 2001 of the Economic and Social Council on the role of the United Nations in support of the efforts of African countries to achieve sustainable development, adopted on 18 July 2001, the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development, adopted on 22 March 2002, and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, adopted at the Summit on 4 September 2002.</p> <p>Para 4: We welcome the New Partnership for Africa's Development, as an African Union-led, -owned and -managed initiative, and recognize that it is a serious commitment to addressing the aspirations of the continent, as decided by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, at its thirty-seventh ordinary session, held at Lusaka from 9 to 11 July 2001.</p> <p>Para 6: We affirm that international support for the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development is essential. While acknowledging the support so far expressed or provided for the New Partnership, we urge the United Nations system and the international community, in particular donor countries, to assist with the implementation of the New Partnership.</p>