

1993/53. Fourth replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1988/73 of 29 July 1988 on the third replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 47/149 of 18 December 1992 on food and agricultural development, in which the Assembly expressed concern about the increase in hunger and malnutrition and reaffirmed that the right to food was a universal human right,

Taking note of General Assembly resolution 47/197 of 22 December 1992 on international cooperation for the eradication of poverty in developing countries, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urged all donors to contribute generously to the fourth replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development,

Bearing in mind resolution CM/Res.1471 (LVIII) on the fourth replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, adopted by the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity at its fifty-eighth ordinary session, held at Cairo from 21 to 26 June 1993,¹⁴⁶

Reiterating its deep concern about the increasing number of human beings, especially women, who, as a result of acute poverty, continue to suffer from hunger and chronic undernutrition,

Stressing the need further to strengthen international cooperation to overcome poverty and hunger and the urgent requirement to ensure adequate financing for this purpose,

Noting with appreciation the contribution made by the International Fund for Agricultural Development in addressing the needs of the rural poor, particularly small-holding farmers, the landless, rural women and other marginalized groups,

Stressing the necessity of ensuring that the International Fund for Agricultural Development has sufficient resources to consolidate in the years to come the breakthroughs in the fight against hunger and poverty made in its operations over the past fifteen years,

1. *Calls upon* all countries to demonstrate the political will and flexibility to strengthen multilateral support for addressing the problems of hunger and poverty;

2. *Appeals* to all States members of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development and the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, and other developing countries, to continue to make every possible effort in the negotiating process in order to complete expeditiously the fourth replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, at the highest possible level, before the end of 1993.

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29 July 1993*