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Yugoslavia: * revised draft resolution

Proclamation of the World Decade for Cultural Development

The General Assembly,

Considering recommendation No. 27 1/ adopted by the World Conference on Cultural **Policies organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at Mexico City in 1982, in which it recommended that the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization propose to the General Assembly of the United Nations the proclamation of a world decade for cultural development,**

Considering also resolution 11.20 and 11.10 adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at **its twenty-second and twenty-third sessions, respectively,**

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution **1986/69** of 23 July 1986, in which the Council recommended that the General Assembly take a decision at **its forty-first session** on the question of the proclamation of a world decade for cultural development,

Taking into account the interest that the international community, including the **organizations of the United Nations system, have shown in the proposed decade,**

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

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Recognizing that the voluntary **efforts** at the national level by **interested** individuals and non-governmental and governmental **organizations**, are one of the principal vehicles for advancing the objectives of the decade,

Taking note of the draft plan of action for the world decade for cultural **development**, submitted by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural **Organization**, 2/

1. Proclaims the period **1988-1997** the World Decade for Cultural Development, to be observed under the auspices **of the** United Nations, with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural **Organization** acting **as the lead agency**;

2. Approves the four main objectives of the Decade: acknowledging the **cultural** dimension of development; affirming and enriching cultural **identities**; **broadening** participation in culture **and** promoting international cultural co-operation;

3. Invites all States, intergovernmental **and** international non-governmental **organizations**, and interested individuals to take an active part in the fulfilment of the **objectives** of the Decade and, for that purpose, to make available, on a voluntary **basis**, taking into consideration their **particular situation, priorities** and **means**, the necessary intellectual, human and financial **resources**;

4. Encourages **organizations, organs and bodies** of the United Nations system participating in the fulfilment of the objectives of the Decade to do **so** in a **manner** which **does** not entail additional financial **implications for** non-voluntary **funded** programme **from** their respective regular **budgets**;

5. Requests the Secretary-General, with respect to **established programme priorities**, to ensure through the **Administrative** Committee on Co-ordination that **activities** undertaken by the United Nations system in support of the **Decade** are **co-ordinated** in **such** a manner **as** to avoid duplication and **overlap**;

6. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural **Organization** to report biennially to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular **session**, on the **progress** of the World Decade for Cultural Development.
