



RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
AT ITS EIGHTH SESSION

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## 1. Participation at the eighth session

### I. Full Members

Algeria; Angola; Argentina; Australia; Austria; Bangladesh; Belgium; Bolivia; Brazil; Bulgaria; Burkina Faso; Burundi; Cameroon; Canada; Chad; Chile; China; Colombia; Congo; Côte d'Ivoire; Cuba; Cyprus; Czechoslovakia; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Dominican Republic; Egypt; Ethiopia; Finland; France; Gabon; Gambia; German Democratic Republic; Germany, Federal Republic of; Ghana; Greece; Guinea; Haiti; Hungary; India; Indonesia; Iran, Islamic Republic of; Iraq; Israel; Italy; Jamaica; Japan; Jordan; Kenya; Kuwait; Lesotho; Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; Madagascar; Malawi; Maldives; Mali; Malta; Mauritania; Mauritius; Mexico; Morocco; Nepal; Netherlands; Niger; Nigeria; Pakistan; Peru; Philippines; Poland; Portugal; Republic of Korea; Romania; Rwanda; San Marino; Sao Tome and Principe; Senegal; Sierra Leone; Spain; Sri Lanka; Sudan; Switzerland; Syrian Arab Republic; Togo; Tunisia; Turkey; Uganda; Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; United Republic of Tanzania; United States of America; Uruguay; Venezuela; Viet Nam; Yemen; Yugoslavia; Zaire; Zambia; Zimbabwe.

### II. Associate Members

Aruba; Macau; Puerto Rico

### III. Affiliate Members

ACCOR; Air France; Air India; Air Zaire; Alia/The Royal Jordanian Airline; Alliance internationale de tourisme (AIT); AMK Berlin; Asociación Mundial para la Formación Profesional (AMFORT); Association interparlementaire du tourisme (AIDT); Bohio Dominicano; Bureau international du tourisme social (BITS); Bureau international pour le tourisme et les échanges de la jeunesse (BITEJ); Calgary Consortium for Tourism and Hospitality Studies; Centre d'études supérieures du tourisme (CEST); Centro Turístico Studentesco e Giovanile (CTS); Club méditerranée; Compagnie internationale des

wagons-lits et du tourisme; Confederación de Organizaciones Turísticas de la América Latina - COTAL; Confederazione Generale Italiana del Comercio e del Turismo (CONFCOMERCIO); Crédit d'équipement des petites et moyennes entreprises (CEPME); Department of Management Studies for Tourism and Hotel Industries - University of Surrey; Egyptian General Authority for the Promotion of Tourism (EGAPT); Ente Nazionale Italiano per il Turismo (ENIT); European Travel Commission (ETC); Federación Española de Municipios y Provincias (FEMP); Fédération internationale des cadres supérieurs de l'hôtellerie; Fédération internationale de camping et de caravanning (FICC); Fédération internationale de l'automobile (FIA); Fédération internationale du thermalisme et du climatisme (FITEC); Federation of International Youth Travel Organization (FIYTO); France International Service; Hawkins & Associates, Inc.; Horwath & Horwath (UK) Ltd.; Hotel President; IBERIA, Lineas Aereas de España; Institut fur Fremdenverkehrs Entwicklung; International Air Transport Association (IATA); International Hotel Association/Association internationale de l'hôtellerie; International Student Travel Confederation (ISTC); Iran Air "The Airline of the Islamic Republic of Iran"; Japan Air Lines Co. Ltd.; Japan National Tourist Organization (JNTO); Kenya Tourist Development Corporation; Korea National Tourism Corporation; Middle East Airlines Airliban (MEA); Office du tourisme et des congrès de Paris; Oxford Polytechnic; Patronato Municipal de Turismo de Madrid; PIA - Pakistan International Airlines Corporation; Red Nacional de los Ferrocarriles Españoles; RDE - Empreendimentos Publicitarios Ltda.; SCORE Consultants; SFERE; Sociedad Estatal EXPO Sevilla 1992; Société du Palais des Congrès de Montréal; Société internationale de télécommunications aéronautiques (SITA); Société pour la promotion et les éditions touristiques (IPV); Society for the Advancement of Travel for the Handicapped (SATH); States of Jersey Tourism Committee; T.C. Turism Bankasi A.S.; The Economist Intelligence Unit; The George Washington University; The Indian Hotels Co. Ltd.; Tourconsult/Italia; Touristconsult; Union des Transports Aériens (UTA); Villages, Vacances Familles (VVF).

IV. Candidate to affiliate membership

The Interface Group

V. Permanent Observer

Holy See

VI. Non-Member States

Honduras; Seychelles; Somalia.

VII. International organizations invited

(a) Intergovernmental organizations of the United Nations

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA); United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP); United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR); United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); International Labour Organization (ILO); International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO); World Health Organization (WHO),

(b) Other intergovernmental organizations

Commission of the European Communities (CEC); Inter-parliamentary Union (IPU); Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

(c) Non-governmental organizations

Airport Associations Coordinating Council (AACC); European Coordination Centre for Research and Documentation in Social Sciences, Federación Española de Periodistas y Escritores de Turismo (FEPET); International Academy for the Study of Tourism; International Association of Conventions and Visitors Bureau (IACVB); International Federation of Travel Journalists and Writers (FIJET); International School of Tourism Sciences of Rome; Universal Federation of Travel Agents' Association (UFTAA); World Federation of Trade Unions (UFTU)

VIII. Representatives of applicants for membership of the Organization (Article 50(e) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly)

Palestine

IX. Auditors

Romania

2. Agenda of the eighth session

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A/RES/228(VIII)

Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 1  
(documents A/8/1 and A/8/1 annot.)

The General Assembly,

Adopts the agenda of its eighth session, as contained in document A/8/1.

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A/RES/229(VIII)

Election of the President and Vice-Presidents  
of the Assembly

Agenda item 2

The General Assembly,

1. Declares elected as President of the eighth session H.E. Mr. Olivier Stirn, Minister Delegate in charge of Tourism of France and head of the French delegation; and
2. Declares elected as Vice-Presidents of the eighth session the representatives of Bulgaria, Canada, Colombia, Indonesia, Iraq, Pakistan, Rwanda and Zambia.

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A/RES/230(VIII)

Election of the Credentials Committee

Agenda item 3

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of the proposals of its President, made in accordance with rule 13(1) of its Rules of Procedure,

Declares the following elected as Members of the Credentials Committee: Congo, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Jamaica, Malawi, Nepal, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America and Yemen.

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A/RES/231(VIII)

Appointment of the interim Chairmen of Assembly  
Committees A and B

Agenda item 4

The General Assembly,

1. Designates as interim Chairmen of Committees A and B the representatives of those countries who served as Chairmen of Committees A and B at its seventh session;
  2. Declares the following elected as Officers of Committee A: Argentina, China, Finland, Gabon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Maldives; and
  3. Declares the following elected as Officers of Committee B: Austria, Chile, Egypt, Ethiopia, India and Republic of Korea.
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A/RES/232(VIII)

Report of the Credentials Committee

Agenda item 5

(documents A/8/5, A/8/5 Add.1 and A/8/5 Add.2)

The General Assembly,

Having examined the report submitted to the General Assembly by the Credentials Committee (documents A/8/5, A/8/5 Add.1 and A/8/5 Add.2),

Approves the said report.

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A/RES/233(VIII)

Approval of applications for membership

Agenda item 6(a)

(documents A/8/6(a), A/8/6(a) Corr. and  
A/8/6(a) Add.1, Add.2 and Add.3)

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of the applications for full and affiliate membership received by the Secretary-General and listed in documents A/8/6(a), A/8/6(a) Add.1, A/8/6(a) Add.2 and A/8/6(a) Add.3,

1. Approves the application for full membership of the People's Republic of Angola;
2. Decides, pursuant to rule 34(b) of its Rules of Procedure, to adjourn to its ninth session the discussion on the application for full membership of Palestine;

3. Approves, on the recommendation of the Executive Council (resolution 172(VI)), the applications for affiliate membership of the following bodies:
  - (a) The Cabinet Information and Decision Support Center (Library) (IDSC)
  - (b) Calgary Consortium for Tourism and Hospitality Studies (CCTHS)
  - (c) Consejo Centroamericano de Turismo (CCT)
  - (d) Consejo Nacional Empresarial Turístico, A.C.
  - (e) Fédération internationale des cadres supérieurs de l'hôtellerie
  - (f) Laboratoire d'expérimentation et de recherche touristique (LERT)
  - (g) Red Nacional de Ferrocarriles Españoles (RENFE)
  - (h) RDE - Empreendimentos Publicitarios Ltda.
  - (i) Sociedad Estatal para la Exposición Universal Sevilla 92, Sociedad Anonima (Expo '92 S.A.)
  - (j) Société française d'exportation des ressources éducatives (SFERE)
  - (k) Société nationale de construction de logements pour les travailleurs (SONACOTRA)
  - (l) La Società per la Matematica e l'Economia Applicate (SOMEA S.p.A.)
  - (m) Supreme Hotel Management and Consulting Inc.
4. Takes note of the withdrawal of Costa Rica and Honduras which took effect on 14 July 1988 and 13 June 1989, respectively, and that of the Philippines, Thailand and Australia, which will take effect on 8 September 1989, 20 January 1990 and 26 July 1990, respectively, in accordance with Article 35 of the Organization's Statutes;
5. Takes note of the withdrawal of twelve bodies from affiliate membership, in accordance with Article 35 of the Statutes (date of withdrawal shown in brackets):
  - (a) World Association of Travel Agencies (WATA) (8 January 1988)
  - (b) Société pour la promotion commerciale et technique de l'hôtellerie et du tourisme (PROMOTOUR) (21 January 1988)
  - (c) Pan American World Airways, Inc. (20 March 1988)
  - (d) Tourman Professional Ges.m.b.h. (31 July 1988)
  - (e) Confederación de Cámaras Nacionales de Comercio, Servicios y Turismo (31 July 1988)
  - (f) Institut du transport aérien (ITA) (25 January 1989)
  - (g) Arusha International Conference Centre (4 May 1989)
  - (h) Tourism Development Consultants (TDC) (7 May 1989)

- (i) Welcomgroup (29 July 1989)
  - (j) Travel Corporation India (8 August 1989)
  - (k) Fédération européenne de l'hôtellerie de plein air (FEHPA) (6 September 1989)
  - (l) United States Tour Operators Association (31 December 1989);
6. Requests the Secretary-General and the Regional Commissions concerned to approach the Full Members mentioned in paragraph 4 above, inviting them to reconsider their withdrawal from the Organization.
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A/RES/234(VIII)

Suspension of membership in accordance with Article 34  
of the Statutes

Agenda item 6(b)  
(document A/8/6(b))

The General Assembly,

Considering paragraphs 1(a) and (b) of resolution 217(VII), adopted by the General Assembly at its seventh session,

Considering document A/8/6(b) prepared by the Secretary-General in pursuance of the aforementioned resolution,

Recognizing that Article 34 of the Statutes, which provides for the sanction of suspension when a Member persists in a policy contrary to the fundamental aims of the Organization, as set forth in Article 3 of the Statutes, is applicable in the case of prolonged non-payment of mandatory contributions to the Organization's budget, because this attitude constitutes a policy contrary to the aims of WTO,

1. Notes that Article 34 of the Statutes applies to the following Members and that consequently they are suspended from the Organization:

- Full Members

- 1. Burundi
- 2. Democratic Kampuchea
- 3. Democratic Yemen
- 4. Grenada
- 5. Lao People's Democratic Republic
- 6. Peru
- 7. Sierra Leone
- 8. Sudan
- 9. United Arab Emirates

- Affiliate Members

- 1. Al Medina Travel (Morocco)
- 2. Associazione Nazionale delle Cooperative Turistiche (Italy)
- 3. Empresa de Turismo de Pernambuco (Brazil)

- 4. Fédération européenne de l'hôtellerie de plein air (FEHPA)
- 5. Forum international de l'hôtellerie de plein air (FIHPA)
- 6. Instituto Universitario de Nuevas Profesiones (IUNP) (Venezuela)
- 7. International Pantravel Consulting;

2. Further notes that Article 34 of the Statutes is applicable to the following Members and that consequently they may be suspended from the Organization:

- Full Members

- 1. Ecuador
- 2. Syrian Arab Republic
- 3. Zaire

- Affiliate Members

- 1. Arab Tourism Organization (ATO)
- 2. Browns Group Motels Limited (Sri Lanka)
- 3. Cross Keys Travel Service Ltd. (Nigeria)
- 4. Da'Silva Travel Service (Nigeria)
- 5. Euro-Construction (France)
- 6. Pacific and Asia Travel Writers and Photographers Association
- 7. The Tourist Magazine (Nigeria)
- 8. Tourism Industrialists (Australia);

3. Decides to continue applying the measure of suspension provided for in Article 34 of the Statutes

- (a) when a Member of the Organization is in arrears in the payment of contributions for any four financial years, which need not be consecutive; partial payment of contributions would not prevent application of the suspension measure;
- (b) when said Member has not agreed with the Secretary-General on a plan for the payment of arrear contributions within a period of one year after the General Assembly has observed the applicability of the suspension measure to that Member in accordance with Article 34 of the Statutes;

4. Urges the Secretary-General to apply this resolution and to report on its application to each session of the Executive Council.

A/RES/235(VIII)

Requests for suspension of the application of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules

Agenda item 6(c)  
(documents A/8/6(c) and A/8/6(c) Add.1, Add.2, Add.3 and Add.4)

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of the report of the Secretary-General (documents A/8/6(c), A/8/6(c) Add.1, Add.2, Add.3 and Add.4) transmitting to the Assembly the communications of the Full Members Bolivia, Chad,

Iraq, Mali, Niger, Uganda and Venezuela and of the Affiliate Member Tourconsult/Italia concerning their arrear contributions,

Having heard the oral communications of Gambia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania and Romania related to the arrear contributions accumulated by these Members, and

Considering the Executive Council's recommendation in decision 8 (XXXVI),

1. Decides to suspend the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules as they apply to Bolivia, Chad, Gambia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Romania, Uganda, Venezuela and Tourconsult/Italia in response to their explicit request;
2. Decides to maintain the suspension of application to Iraq of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules in view of its communication transmitted to the Assembly and in accordance with Executive Council decision 3 (XXXI);
3. Recalls that suspension of application of the provisions of paragraph 13 of the Financing Rules is conditional on:
  - (a) immediate payment of the contribution corresponding to the financial year during which suspension of the application of paragraph 13 is granted; and
  - (b) strict observance of the plan agreed on for the settlement of arrears;
4. Requests the Secretary-General to inform Bolivia, Chad, Gambia, Iraq, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Romania, Uganda, Venezuela and Tourconsult/Italia that the decision taken in their regard is subject to the aforementioned conditions; and
5. Entrusts the Secretary-General with ensuring that the conditions in paragraph 3 above are fulfilled.

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A/RES/236 (VIII)

Report of the Executive Council to the General Assembly  
(Articles 19(a) and 20 of the Statutes)

Agenda item 7  
(document A/8/7)

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report submitted by the Executive Council to the General Assembly, pursuant to Articles 19(a) and 20 of the Statutes,

1. Takes note of the information contained therein;
2. Thanks the Executive Council for its report; and
3. Approves it.

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A/RES/237(VIII)

General report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization in 1988-1989

Agenda item 8  
(documents A/8/8 and A/8/8 Corr.)

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of the general report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization in 1988-1989,

Having heard his oral presentation thereof,

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the achievements of the Organization during the period 1988-1989, as documented in the Secretary-General's report;
2. Congratulates the Secretary-General on his efforts to enhance the image of the Organization and to promote a wider understanding of its aims, notably through the convening of the Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism at The Hague from 10 to 14 April 1989;
3. Expresses its appreciation of the sound principles of financial management followed by the Secretary-General during the period 1988-1989;
4. Notes with satisfaction the steps taken by the Secretary-General to cooperate with other international organizations;
5. Welcomes the Secretary-General's innovative approach to programme planning, which has ensured that efforts are not dispersed but focus on the priority areas selected by the Members themselves;
6. Expresses satisfaction at the successes scored by the Organization in the field of technical cooperation and at the good relations maintained by the Secretary-General with the United Nations Development Programme and other funding institutions;
7. Considers that the Organization is, thanks to the work carried out on the draft Budapest Convention to facilitate tourist travel, visits and stays, in a position to exercise more authority and develop a standard-setting role in its field of institutional competence;
8. Welcomes the attention paid by the Secretary-General to environmental issues affecting tourism;
9. Invites Members to draw inspiration from the general debate on the general report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization in 1988-1989; and
10. Thanks the Secretary-General and the Secretariat staff for their dedication and efforts throughout the period concerned.

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A/RES/238(VIII)

Technical cooperation

Agenda item 9(a)  
(documents A/8/9(a) and A/8/9(a) Corr.)

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of the report of the Secretary-General on the Organization's technical cooperation activities since its seventh session,

Aware that technical cooperation is one of the best means for WTO to implement the provisions of Article 3(2) of its Statutes, namely by paying particular attention to the developing countries in the field of tourism,

Welcoming the recommendations made in this regard by various Regional Commissions and the Executive Council,

Recalling its resolution 198(VII) adopted at its seventh session,

Noting the progress made since its last session thanks to the efforts of the Secretary-General, which have led to a significant increase in the number of missions and projects successfully carried out and in the amount of the budget allocated to these activities,

1. Welcomes this progress as proof that governments are increasingly aware of the assistance WTO can offer them in implementing technical cooperation projects and in familiarizing them with the procedures for obtaining this assistance;
2. Pays tribute to UNDP and to the various governments mentioned in the report of the Secretary-General for the decisive financial assistance they have provided for the implementation of projects and other technical cooperation activities carried out by the Organization;
3. Expresses its particular gratitude to UNDP for having taken into account the heavy burden that implementation of relatively numerous low-budget projects represents for a small organization like WTO and for having consequently increased its allocation of support funds;
4. Appeals to the competent organs of UNDP, in the same spirit, to take into account, in their current review of the respective roles of UNDP and its executing agencies, the particular case of small agencies, whose technical cooperation activities depend fundamentally on the financial support of this body to defray their expenses in this field;
5. Considers that the modest level of resources member States are prepared to allocate to the general budget of WTO rules out the possibility of including appropriations that could be allocated to specific countries for the implementation of technical cooperation projects and that regulation 4(6) of the Financial Regulations, which implies that this type of expenditure must be covered by extra-budgetary funds, should not be amended;



- 6. Considers, nonetheless, that the Organization should continue its effort to provide in the budget appropriations to cover the necessary human resources to implement technical cooperation activities directly or indirectly benefiting all the developing countries; and
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to give the highest priority to the raising of voluntary contributions, as provided for in the programme, in order to supplement as much as possible the funds already provided by UNDP and certain governments and thus to fulfil more of the applications for technical cooperation assistance from the developing countries.

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A/RES/239(VIII)

Security and protection of tourists and tourist facilities

Agenda item 9(b)  
(document A/8/9(b))

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report submitted by the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization in the field of security and protection of tourists and tourist facilities during the period 1988-1989,

Recalling the Executive Council's decision 11(XXXVI) regarding the report of the first meeting of the Committee of Experts on Security and Protection of Tourists and Tourist Facilities,

Considering the paramount importance of safety and the prevention of hazards of all kinds for tourism development and for the achievement of the social and cultural objectives of tourism, and

Reaffirming the need for WTO to continue its work of drafting recommended measures, taking practical steps and educating and informing those concerned regarding safety issues in the field of tourism,

- 1. Congratulates the Secretary-General on the work done;
- 2. Thanks the Members concerned for their contribution to the activities of the Committee of Experts on Security and Protection of Tourists and Tourist Facilities;
- 3. Expresses its appreciation to the Government of Egypt for its generous hospitality which enabled the said Committee to hold its first meeting at Cairo from 12 to 15 June 1989;
- 4. Thanks the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) for having shared with WTO their experience in tourist protection and security;
- 5. Expresses its gratitude to the Italian Association for Tourist Medicine (SIMT) for its significant contribution to the promotion of tourist health by organizing, in cooperation with WHO and WTO, two important international conferences related to this subject;

- 6. Invites Members to take an active part in the promotion of tourist health, notably by increasing cooperation between tourist generating and receiving countries with a view to maintaining high standards of tourist health in tourist destinations;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to complete work on the preparation of draft recommended measures on tourist protection and security;
- 8. Invites member States to address tourism safety matters in their bilateral tourism agreements and to draw inspiration from the draft recommended measures in preparing such agreements;
- 9. Requests the Secretary-General to continue preparations for holding, in cooperation with Spain, an international round table to devise a basic tourist insurance plan to be recommended to member States and to promote the use of tourist insurance in general;
- 10. Invites the Secretary-General to make a study of the methods employed in individual States and at international level to protect the tourist consumer and to draft model provisions for establishing the institution of an Ombudsman for tourists;
- 11. Recommends that sponsorship from the private sector should be sought in order to finance the printing of the WTO brochures containing advice for travellers on their personal safety and health;
- 12. Declares that WTO's aim in tackling problems related to tourist protection and security is not to duplicate the work of other organizations but to pool and disseminate available expertise for the benefit of all concerned i.e. national tourism administrations, the operational sector of tourism and tourists; and
- 13. Appeals to Members to make full use of the unrestricted membership formula of the Committee of Experts on Security and Protection of Tourists and Tourist Facilities and its broad terms of reference, as determined by the Executive Council, in order to contribute to the implementation of the Organization's programme in this field.

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A/RES/240 (VIII)

Proposal of measures to assist in suppressing drug abuse and illicit trafficking by tourists

Agenda item 9 (b)  
(document A/8/9 (b))

The General Assembly,

Concerned about the abuse of tourism for the purpose of drug trafficking and the vulnerability of tourists exposed during their travels to drug pedlars,

Conscious that controlling the ever-growing abuse of and trafficking in narcotic drugs is way beyond the power of any one government or international organization,

Having regard to the Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Outline of Future Activities in Drug Abuse Control (CMO), adopted by the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking held at Vienna, Austria from 17 to 26 June 1987 and affirmed by the General Assembly of the United Nations in its resolution 42/112 of 7 December 1987,

Having regard to the pertinent provisions on drug problems in the Tourism Bill of Rights and Tourist Code, adopted by the Sixth General Assembly (Sofia, October 1985),

1. Invites governments to recommend their national tourism administrations to liaise and establish working relations with other government entities involved in the fight against drug abuse and illicit trafficking, and in particular with security, customs, health, transport and employment authorities, so as to:
  - (a) identify the scope of drug abuse in tourist facilities and destinations and the exposure of tourists to drug pedlars;
  - (b) facilitate the flow of information on these problems and participate in the coordination at national level of measures being undertaken by all entities concerned in order to prevent, control, reduce and suppress drug abuse and illicit trafficking in the tourism sector;
  - (c) cooperate with law enforcement bodies in the seizure of illicit drugs carried, smuggled or consumed by tourists and tourism staff and with a view to reporting on possible trafficking networks;
  - (d) ensure that tourist and holiday areas receive increased surveillance by law enforcement bodies in order to protect tourists and holidaymakers from being accosted by drug traffickers;
  - (e) apply adequate educational and disuasive measures to tourism staff who may abuse or trade in illicit drugs in the workplace;
  - (f) provide information for the travelling public, clients of travel organizations and users of tourist facilities and sites with a view to discouraging them from carrying, smuggling, trading in or abusing narcotic drugs;
2. Urges tourism professionals, such as tourism information officers, carriers, tour managers, guides/interpreters and staff of accommodation facilities to refrain from disseminating among tourists information on access to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in any place or country;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to collect and disseminate information on measures taken in the tourism sector to assist in suppressing the abuse of and illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances; and

- 4. Entrusts the Secretary-General with continuing WTO's participation in Inter-agency Meetings on Coordination in Matters of International Drug Abuse Control under the "cooperation with international organizations" heading of the programme of work.

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A/RES/241(VIII)

Protection of handicapped travellers

Agenda item 9(b)  
(document A/8/9(b))

The General Assembly,

Noting with great interest that a report on travel and tourism opportunities for the handicapped population was prepared for consideration by the Committee of Experts on Security and Protection of Tourists and Tourist Facilities,

Considering that as much as fifteen per cent of the world population may suffer from physical and sensory impairments and that this vulnerable group should, as a matter of course, enjoy special protection during tourist travel, visits and stays,

Welcoming the progress that has taken place in the situation of handicapped people, including their travelling component, since the United Nations Year of the Disabled (1980),

Determined to assist in furthering this process by establishing and disseminating standards and recommended practices aimed at facilitating the access of handicapped people to travel and tourism,

Aware of the barriers that continue to exist for handicapped travellers in many segments of the tourism sector and in a number of countries,

Taking note of the relevant recommendations adopted by the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to be included in Annex 9 (Facilitation) to the Chicago Convention of 1944,

- 1. Welcomes the initiative of the Committee of Experts on Security and Protection of Tourists and Tourist Facilities to prepare a code of conduct for the tourism sector with respect to travel and tourism opportunities for handicapped people;
- 2. Agrees that said code of conduct should be prepared by the Joint Group of Experts to be set up by the Executive Council's Committees on Facilitation and Tourist Protection and Security, in cooperation with the Society for the Advancement of Travel for the Handicapped (SATH) and the other interested Members of the Organization;
- 3. Appeals to interested Members to contribute voluntarily to meeting the extra-budgetary expenses that this activity may entail;

- 4. Recommends further that, at all future sessions of the General Assembly and other meetings of WTO, handicapped delegates who are otherwise qualified should be welcomed as members of delegations and make every effort to provide suitable facilities for their participation; and
- 5. Requests the Secretary-General to explore the possibility of convening, under a future programme of work, and in cooperation with the international organizations concerned, an international conference on tourism and the handicapped.

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A/RES/242(VIII)

Multilateral negotiations on trade in tourism services

Agenda item 9(c)  
(documents A/8/9(c) and A/8/9(c) Add.1)

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports submitted by the Secretary-General concerning the implementation of the facilitation and tourism legislation activities included in the Organization's general programme of work for the period 1988-1989,

Having examined the parts of those reports that relate to multi-lateral negotiations on trade in tourism services,

Recalling its resolution 223(VII) concerning Facilitation, adopted at its seventh session,

Recalling also decisions 2(XXXIV) and 5(XXXV) taken by the Executive Council on this subject,

Reaffirming its interest in the reduction and progressive elimination of financial, legal and administrative practices of a protectionist nature that hinder the commercial activity of public and private tourism enterprises,

Considering that such a process of liberalizing trade in tourism services should give full consideration to the interests and needs of the developing countries, pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Statutes of WTO,

Noting with satisfaction that the twenty-second meeting of the Group of Negotiations on Services of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) (Geneva, 17-21 July 1989) examined for the first time the applicability to the tourism sector of the concepts, principles and rules developed by the GATT during the Multilateral Trade Negotiations known as the "Uruguay Round",

Noting also that the Secretary-General has maintained close contact with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) concerning the interests of the developing countries in those negotiations,

1. Congratulates the Group of Negotiations on Services of the GATT on placing tourism on its agenda;
2. Thanks the Chairman of the Group of Negotiations on Services for inviting WTO to attend its twenty-second meeting in an observer capacity;
3. Welcomes the interest expressed jointly and individually by the members of the Group of Negotiations on Services in including tourism in the multilateral negotiations on trade in services;
4. Draws encouragement from the view expressed within the Group of Negotiations on Services that the Uruguay Round concepts are, in principle, applicable to tourism,

Having been informed that a final decision on the inclusion of tourism in the Uruguay Round negotiations will probably not be taken before the end of 1990,

5. Requests the Secretary-General to maintain close contacts with the Director-General of the GATT so as to keep Members informed of the progress of the Uruguay Round discussions;
6. Invites the Regional Commissions to continue the work they have undertaken to identify the issues at stake arising from the inclusion of tourism in the multilateral negotiations on trade in services;
7. Requests the Secretary-General to pursue his fruitful contacts with the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on this subject with a view to studying further, subject to available resources, the implications of the multilateral negotiations on trade in services for the developing countries, ensuring increased participation of the developing countries in trade in tourism services and helping these countries to take a common stand in the negotiations; and
8. Invites Members to submit to the Secretary-General any studies or reports they prepare on this subject that could promote a dialogue among the Members on this subject and assist the Organization in making its technical contribution to the success of the multilateral negotiations on liberalization of trade in services.

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A/RES/243(VIII)

Draft Budapest Convention to facilitate tourist travel,  
visits and stays

Agenda item 9(c)  
(document A/8/9(c))

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report submitted by the Secretary-General concerning the implementation of the facilitation and tourism legislation activities included in the Organization's general programme of work for the period 1988-1989,

Having examined the part of the report that relates to the draft Budapest Convention to facilitate tourist travel, visits and stays,

Recalling resolution 223(VII) concerning Facilitation, adopted at its seventh session,

Recalling also decisions 10(XXXIII), 8(XXXIV) and 5(XXXV) taken by the Executive Council on this subject,

Bearing in mind the standard-setting role that the World Tourism Organization should progressively assume,

Reaffirming the decisive importance of facilitating tourist travel, visits and stays for the continued expansion of world tourism markets,

Convinced that it is in the interest of all countries to facilitate tourist travel, visits and stays since the free movement of tourists fosters a climate of trust and mutual understanding and, hence, the creation of a united world and lasting peace,

Recognizing that a universal instrument setting forth provisions that States could progressively apply to facilitate tourist travel, visits and stays regardless of mode of transport would constitute both a significant and a desirable step forward in this field,

Taking note of the agreement signed on 21 March 1988 by the Secretary-General and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Hungary concerning the conditions for holding a Diplomatic Conference so as to finalize and adopt this universal instrument,

Noting with satisfaction the importance that the Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism, held at The Hague from 10 to 14 April 1989, attached to the subject of facilitation,

1. Expresses its conviction that the process of multilateral negotiation, in which a large number of WTO member States as well as non-members took part with a view to framing the precise terms of this international legal instrument, not only had an educational value but also contributed to the attainment of WTO's statutory aims;
2. Considers that substantial progress has been made in drafting an international legal instrument that would faithfully reflect the present state of facilitation throughout the world and could therefore command the broadest possible consensus internationally;
3. Thanks the Facilitation Committee (expanded), under the chairmanship of Dr. István Nathon (Hungary), for the work accomplished;
4. Also thanks the Secretary-General for the steps he has taken towards convening the Diplomatic Conference to finalize and adopt this international legal instrument;
5. Approves the action taken by the Secretary-General in this regard;
6. Notes that the Facilitation Committee (expanded) will, pursuant to Executive Council decision 10(XXXVI), hold its eleventh meeting during the second half of November 1989 so as to finalize its work on the draft Budapest Convention; and

7. Requests the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Chairman of the Facilitation Committee (expanded), to submit the finalized text of the draft Budapest Convention to the Executive Council at its thirty-eighth session together with concrete proposals, drawn up in consultation with the Government of Hungary, for convening and holding the Diplomatic Conference to finalize and adopt WTO's first international legal instrument.
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A/RES/244(VIII)

Education and Training

Agenda item 9(d)

(documents A/8/9(d), A/8/9(d) Add.1 and A/8/9(d) Add.2)

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the education and training activities of the Organization in 1988-1989 and on tourism education in universities, as well as the various statements by delegations on these subjects,

Recognizing the importance of human resource development for the future of tourism, on which it largely depends,

Recalling its resolution 224(VII) inviting Full Members to attach high priority to tourism education and training and entrusting the Secretary-General with seeking to promote the highest possible standards,

1. Notes with satisfaction that in spite of human and financial constraints:
  - (a) considerable progress has been achieved in the implementation of the programme of work based on the new education and training policy approved at its seventh session, with particular regard to activities of direct assistance to Members;
  - (b) two-hundred and eighty-three participants have attended the five itinerant training programmes held so far, including one hundred and eighty-one from seventy-six developing countries who have benefited from scholarships provided by the host authorities and WTO;
  - (c) seventy-six scholarships have been awarded through WTO to participants from forty-five developing countries for the two courses held at the International School of Tourism Sciences of Rome during the past two years, thanks to the generous contribution of the Italian Government;
  - (d) the two other Education and Training Centres at Washington, D.C. and Tangiers approved at the Assembly's seventh session are also now operational;
  - (e) agreements have been concluded for the establishment of four additional Centres of this kind;



- (f) arrangements have been made to offer four new correspondence courses and to publish a directory of tourism education and training institutions;
- 2. Regrets that, owing to the same constraints, the following activities in the programme of work have not been implemented so far:
  - (a) compilation of definitions, job profiles and training objectives for tourism professions;
  - (b) formulation of model study plans and harmonization of training standards, programmes, curricula and methods;
- 3. Regrets further that its appeal to Members, non-members and outside funding organizations for voluntary contributions to the Special fund to be used exclusively for tourism education and training activities has not evoked any positive response;
- 4. Welcomes the initiatives taken by the Secretary-General in the fields of "alternative" tourism and tourism education in universities;
- 5. Compliments the Secretary-General on the comprehensive report submitted on the results of the survey on tourism education in universities;
- 6. Entrusts the Secretary-General with implementing the education and training policy of the Organization, including the priority activities indicated in the aforementioned survey; and
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to formulate criteria for submission to the Executive Council, based on the suggestions made at its eighth session, with a view to reviewing the agreements already concluded and to be applied for future agreements concerning the establishment and operation of WTO Education and Training Centres.

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A/RES/245(VIII)

WTO Education and Training Centres

Agenda item 9(d)  
(documents A/8/9(d), A/8/9(d) Add.1 and A/8/9(d) Add.2)

The General Assembly,

Agreeing that advanced education and training are a vital undertaking of WTO, strongly supported by its member States, and that a selected number of qualified centres are the primary key to implementation of education, training and research activities,

Resolving that WTO apply the attached criteria for the selection of institutions seeking designation as WTO Education and Training Centres,

Resolving further that agreements with institutions or organizations already entered into or about to be entered into by WTO that will

have long-term financial implications will be subject to review by the Secretary-General and reported to the Executive Council for consideration at its thirty-ninth session:

- Availability     The institutions and programme already exist and are well established. They do not require extraordinary WTO resources for their creation.
  - Accessibility   Interested and qualified participants from all member States have equal access to the programme.
  - Acceptability   The institutions and their programmes have met relevant and appropriate accreditation standards and are accepted as recognized institutions by a significant portion of the international community.
  - Equity           The allocation of resources for coordinating and promoting programmes across the various WTO Centres must be done in an equitable manner, including geographic equity and regional balance.
  - Quality          Programme must be subject to continuous evaluation to maintain and promote high standards of quality in institutional delivery, curricula, programming and inquiry.
  - Cost             Programmes must be cost effective and not require subventions from WTO for their continuing operation or sustenance.
  - Affordable       Programmes must be affordable to participants; otherwise they have not met the test of accessibility. Programmes must not be viewed as profit-generating activities for their host institutions, but rather as a typical service function of academic institutions.
  - Continuity       Courses and programme are offered regularly and there is reasonable assurance of continuity and availability, even when financial constraints are occasionally experienced.
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A/RES/246 (VIII)

Tourism information  
(World Tourism Information Exchange Centre (WTIEC))

Agenda item 9(e)  
(document A/8/9(e))

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of part A, Tourism information, of document A/8/9(e) concerning the progress of work planned for the preparatory phase in establishing the World Tourism Information Exchange Centre (WTIEC) and, in particular, the results of the first meeting of the Working Party on the establishment of the WTIEC,

Noting that in decision 8(XXXV), the Executive Council endorsed the recommendations of this advisory group concerning the follow-up action to be taken on the various matters connected with the establishment of this Centre,

Convinced that such an information system should be an appropriate means of improving the present situation with regard to the circulation and exchange of tourism information at world level, with a view to ensuring the harmonious and integral development of the tourism sector,

Recognizing that, owing to the scope of the project, further resources will need to be sought to expedite its establishment,

Recalling, in this regard, that in decision 11(XXXIV) the Executive Council urged the Members of the Organization that had expressed interest in this information system to explore the possibility of contributing to its establishment either in the form of expertise, or in kind or in cash,

Having taken note of the initial outcome of the consultations undertaken by the Secretary-General following this appeal,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to report to the Executive Council on the status of this activity and, subject to continuing Executive Council approval, to take all necessary steps for the establishment of the Centre, in particular by carrying out the feasibility study to determine the procedures for organizing and operating the WTIEC and the Tourism Information Exchange Network (TIENET);
2. Further requests the Secretary-General to proceed with the other activities of interest to the WTIEC, viz: publication of the World Directory of Documentation Resources and Systems available for the Travel and Tourism Sector and preparation of a standard linguistic tool in several languages to facilitate the indexing and retrieval of information within the system in question;
3. Asks the Secretary-General, in connection with the establishment of the Centre in question, to forge close links of cooperation and coordination with the other international organizations, both governmental and non-governmental, that already produce information related to the tourism sector;
4. Urgently appeals to the Members of the Organization to consider favourably a possible contribution to this project; and
5. Thanks the Egyptian Government for its generous offer to cooperate in getting the WTIEC under way, which cooperation will come in the form of expertise, the establishment of a regional tourism information exchange centre and the holding at Cairo, in 1990, of the second meeting of the aforementioned Working Party.

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A/RES/247(VIII)

Statistics

Agenda item 9(e)  
(document A/8/9(e))

The General Assembly,

Having taken note with satisfaction of the activities carried out in the field of statistics within the framework of the general programme of work of the Organization for the period 1988-1989 and, especially, the efforts deployed to improve the quality and timeliness of dissemination of the Organization's statistical publications,

Aware of the importance for governments and the private operational sector to have access to complete, reliable, comparable and up-to-date statistical data as a basis for policy decision making in the field of tourism planning, promotion and marketing,

1. Requests the States Members of the Organization to communicate the statistical data requested by the Secretariat with the least possible delay to ensure the speedy dissemination of statistical publications to all public and private users;
2. Invites the Secretary-General to:
  - (a) maintain contact with the European Community regarding the co-financing of the study on "Tourism forecasts up to the year 2000" for both Europe and other WTO regions;
  - (b) continue the publication of the "Tourism Development Report" bearing in mind the comments and observations made in reply to the readership survey;
  - (c) intensify analysis and research in the light of existing statistical data and, more important, discern current trends and forecast future trends in international tourism;
3. Further invites the Secretary-General to continue technical assistance activities in favour of developing countries so as to strengthen their capabilities in tourism data collection and processing, especially by the use of micro-computers;
4. Welcomes with satisfaction the offer of the Government of Canada to act as host in 1990 to the International Conference on Tourism Statistics open to the participation of all members of the international community;
5. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to ensure that appropriate budgetary resources are allocated to the preparation of the Conference, including the preparatory meeting and technical documents, and to invite States and other institutions wishing to participate in the work of the Conference to make voluntary contributions available to WTO; and
6. Invites the Organization to pursue and develop relations with organizations working in the field of tourism statistics.

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A/RES/248 (VIII)

Image of tourism and other information activities

Agenda item 9(e)  
(document A/8/9(e))

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of part C of document A/8/9(e) concerning the activities undertaken to implement the Organization's general programme of work in the area of promotion of the image of tourism,

Having noted in particular the action taken to promote the tourism sector and tourism information and publications,

1. Urges the Secretary-General to pursue his efforts to further the Organization's information activities by means of the house organ WTO News and any other appropriate public relations activity;
2. Takes note with satisfaction of the steps the Secretary-General has already taken to promote the Organization's publications with a view to securing higher returns on expenditure in this area;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements to circulate as soon as possible the reports, studies and publications planned for 1989;
4. Expresses its gratitude to the IPV Publishing and Promotion Company for Tourism (Hungary) for offering, as a voluntary contribution, to print the second edition of the Basic Documents of WTO;
5. Welcomes the generous offer of the Patronato Municipal de Turismo of Madrid to undertake the printing of a new edition in English, French, Spanish and Russian of the promotional brochure "Madrid, Headquarters of WTO";
6. Appeals to all Members to contribute, by the most appropriate means, to enhancing the image of WTO, and to keep the Secretary-General informed of the steps they take in this regard; and
7. Thanks the Italian Government for its generous offer to host an international conference on tourism and artistic cities.

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A/RES/249 (VIII)

Image of tourism and other information activities:  
environment

Agenda item 9(e)  
(document A/8/9(e))

The General Assembly,

Having considered part C of document A/8/9(e) reporting on the activities undertaken to implement the Organization's programme of work on "Studying the relationship between tourism and the environment",

Recognizing that, scarce financial and human resources notwithstanding, the Secretary-General has been able, in accordance with the provisions of resolution 200(VII), to complete a number of activities in the field of environment, in particular at the level of information and technical cooperation and as part of the Organization's programme of activities in education and training,

Noting with deep satisfaction that the environmental values of tourism and the guiding moral principle that an intact natural, cultural and human environment are among the fundamental conditions for the harmonious development of tourism were reaffirmed in the principles (Principle III) embodied in The Hague Declaration on Tourism, adopted by the first Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism held at The Hague, Netherlands in April 1989,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to actively pursue cooperation and coordination with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the other international organizations, governmental and non-governmental alike, that deal with environmental issues;
  2. Encourages the Secretary-General, with this in mind, to pursue his consultations with the Executive Director of UNEP to explore the possibility of devoting a special edition of UNEP's publication "State of the Environment" to the subject of Tourism and Environment;
  3. Thanks the Algerian Government for its generous offer to host an international seminar on the subject of alternative tourism from 26 to 30 November 1989 to consider the prospects of developing this form of environmentally sound tourism;
  4. Invites the Members to continue paying particular attention in their plans and programmes to the environmental aspects of tourism development and to support, in the interest of tourism, national, regional or international initiatives for enhancing and protecting the environment;
  5. Expresses satisfaction at the holding in 1990 of the third meeting of the Executive Council's Environment Committee;
  6. Requests the Secretary-General to draw up a provisional agenda for the next meeting of the Committee, bearing in mind not only paragraph 3 of resolution 200(VII) (consideration of the implications for WTO's policy and programmes of the report of the World Commission on Environment and Development, "Our Common Future") but also the Organization's other work in this area; and
  7. Thanks the Government of the Netherlands warmly for its generous offer to host the meeting of the Environment Committee.
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A/RES/250(VIII)

Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism

Agenda item 9(f)  
(document A/8/9(f))

The General Assembly,

Considering document A/8/9(f) which reports on the Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism held at The Hague from 10 to 14 April 1989 and jointly organized by WTO and the Inter-Parliamentary Union in cooperation with the Government and the Parliament of the Netherlands,

1. Welcomes with deep satisfaction The Hague Declaration on Tourism and the conclusions, recommendations and follow-up measures it contains;
  2. Endorses The Hague Declaration;
  3. Invites the Members of the Organization to implement the said Declaration so far as possible;
  4. Requests the Secretary-General to take account of the Declaration in implementing the programme of activities for 1990-1991;
  5. Expresses the opinion that a second Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism should be organized as soon as careful preparations permit;
  6. Requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate steps for the organization, in conjunction with the Inter-Parliamentary Union, of the second Interparliamentary Conference on Tourism.
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A/RES/251(VIII)

Report of the Chairman of the Affiliate Members

Agenda item 10(a)  
(document A/8/10(a))

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of the report of the Chairman of the Affiliate Members on the activities of these Members since its seventh session,

1. Commends these Members for the active role they have played in the mechanisms for international cooperation in each of the fields of activity forming the core of the general programme of work for 1988-1989;
2. Welcomes with satisfaction the contribution the Affiliate Members have made to the Organization's search for effective formulae for achieving closer cooperation between national tourism administrations and the operational sector of tourism services in promoting and developing tourism and travel;
3. Calls upon the Affiliate Members to place their vast operational experience and highly diverse resources at the disposal of the Organization to a greater extent than hitherto;

- 4. Takes note of the appeal by the Chairman of the Affiliate Members in favour of tourism for the handicapped and encourages Affiliate Members to pursue their work in this area; and
  - 5. Congratulates the Chairman of the Affiliate Members on the confidence these Members have shown in him by once again acknowledging his unfaltering efforts to achieve fuller participation by the Affiliate Members in the Organization's activities.
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A/RES/252(VIII)

International Conference on Youth Tourism

Agenda item 10(b)  
(documents A/8/10(b) and A/8/10(b) Add.)

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of the report of the Secretary-General on the establishment of the preparatory structures for the International Conference on Youth Tourism,

Having heard the report of the Chairman ad interim of the second meeting of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference, held in Paris on 24 August,

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the Indian and Italian Governments for their offers to host the Conference;
- 2. Endorses the recommendation of the Executive Council (decision 12(XXXV)) to hold the Conference in India;
- 3. Notes that the Indian Government has selected New Delhi as the venue for the Conference;
- 4. Agrees to postpone the Conference until January 1991, the precise date to be determined later in consultation between the host country and the Secretary-General;
- 5. Notes that the implementation of the preliminary programme for preparation of the Conference, as outlined by the Secretary-General and approved by the Council, and the organization of the proceedings of the Conference per se were entrusted to a Unit established by the Indian authorities at New Delhi, which will receive support from the Secretariat at Madrid and advice and guidance from the standing Working Party set up by the Preparatory Committee;
- 6. Instructs the Secretary-General to realize economies in the implementation of the general programme of work permitting him to draw on the regular budget of the Organization, up to a maximum of 20,000 United States dollars, the amounts needed to pay the fees of the rapporteurs of the Conference and of the experts who will act as moderators of the planned preliminary meetings insofar as these services cannot be obtained free of charge;
- 7. Notes with satisfaction that all other expenses will be covered, or the corresponding services provided, by the Indian Government; and



- 8. Requests the Indian delegation to convey appreciation to its Government for the effort in financial and human resources it has made to ensure that the preparation and holding of the Conference are such as to guarantee its success.

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A/RES/253(VIII)

National tourism administrations/operational sector  
Joint Seminar

Agenda item 10(c)  
(document A/8/10(c))

The General Assembly,

Having before it the report on the National tourism administrations/operational sector Joint Seminar,

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the said report and of the conclusions and recommendations contained therein, which reflect the resolve of the Affiliate Members to strengthen their role within the Organization;
- 2. Requests the Executive Council to study these conclusions and recommendations so as to decide on any further action to be taken; and
- 3. Decides to hold a second Joint Seminar between national tourism administrations and the operational sector in conjunction with its ninth session.

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A/RES/254(VIII)

Report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation  
of the Organization

Agenda item 11(a)  
(documents A/8/11(a) and A/8/11(a) Add.1)

The General Assembly,

Having taken cognizance of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Organization,

- 1. Notes that the accumulated contribution arrears since the Organization's inception represent an amount equal to the approved budget for the financial year 1989;
- 2. Urges all Members of the Organization to honour their financial commitments in the strictest manner, in accordance with the statutory and regulatory provisions governing the financial administration of the Organization, especially with respect to the time allowed by paragraph 12 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes for the payment of contributions, in order to avoid any difficulties in the implementation of the programme that might result from a lack of available cash;

- 3. Also notes that, according to the plan of expenditure for 1989 proposed by the Secretary-General and approved by the Executive Council, the level of expenditure has successfully been brought into line with budgetary income;
- 4. Decides to follow the recommendation of the Executive Council to suspend application of resolution 58(III), adopted at its third session, with respect to the use of miscellaneous income and, beginning in 1990, to deduct the amount of this income from contributions due for the financial period 1992-1993; and
- 5. Authorizes the Secretary-General, endorsing the recommendation of the Executive Council, to cancel the arrears of Qatar relating to the financial years 1986, 1987, 1988 and 1989, taking into account the date upon which it notified its withdrawal from full membership of the Organization.

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A/RES/255(VIII)

Auditors' report and administrative accounts for the financial year 1988

Agenda item 11(b)  
(document A/8/11(b))

The General Assembly,

Having examined the Auditors' report on the financial year 1988 and the Secretary-General's report on the administrative accounts for the same financial year,

- 1. Takes note of the Auditors' report, for which it thanks them; and
- 2. Approves the administrative accounts for 1988.

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A/RES/256(VIII)

Auditors' report and administrative accounts for the financial year 1987

Agenda item 11(c)  
(document A/8/11(c))

The General Assembly,

Having examined the Auditors' report on the financial year 1987 and the Secretary-General's report on the administrative accounts for the same financial year,

- 1. Takes note of the Auditors' report, for which it thanks them; and
- 2. Approves the administrative accounts for 1987.

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A/RES/257(VIII)

Audited administrative accounts for the sixth financial period of the Organization (1986-1987)

Agenda item 11(d)  
(document A/8/11(d))

The General Assembly,

Having considered the Secretary-General's report and the audited administrative accounts of the Organization's sixth financial period (1986-1987),

Expressing its concern over the delays during that financial period in the payment by Members of their contributions,

1. Takes note of the said report and audited administrative accounts; and
2. Thanks the Secretary-General for the satisfactory way in which the administrative accounts have been kept and for their clear presentation.

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A/RES/258(VIII)

Review of the Lusaka formula for fixing the scale of contributions of member States and determination of the scale of contributions of Associate Members

Agenda item 12(a) (b)  
(documents A/8/12(a) (b) and A/8/12(a) (b) Add.1, Add.2, Add.3 and Add.4)

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of Council decisions 4(XXXIII), 5(XXXIV), 17(XXXV) and 5(XXXVI),

Having considered the report submitted to it by the Secretary-General concerning the review of the Lusaka formula for fixing the scale of contributions of member States and the determination of the scale of contributions of Associate Members,

1. Thanks Mr. A. Grassin (France), Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Finance (CBF), who chaired the Working Party to study the formula for fixing the contributions of member States and who assisted the Secretariat in preparing the relevant report which is now before the General Assembly;

Recognizing that a consensus was reached on the need to review this formula with a view to achieving greater equity and that there is a trend in opinion towards a formula that would bring the ratio of the lowest to the highest contributions to 1 to 20,

Acknowledging that the formula for fixing contributions cannot be revised without establishing transitional mechanisms,

2. Decides that the formula for fixing the contributions of member States adopted on 23 May 1975 by the General Assembly at its first session shall be replaced by the text annexed to this resolution;
3. Decides that during the periods 1990-1991 and 1992-1993, in respect of member States whose contributions to the Organization's budget will be higher owing to the combined effect of a larger budget and in increase in their share of the budget, the increases in contributions compared to those payable for the period 1988-1989 will be phased in gradually;
4. Decides, out of a concern for the Organization's financial equilibrium, that decreases in the contributions of certain member States will also be phased in gradually during the periods 1990-1991 and 1992-1993;
5. Decides that the revised formula for fixing contributions will be applied in full as of the period 1994-1995; and
6. Decides that the contributions of the Associate Members to the Organization's budget shall be assessed at the level of the lowest contribution of member States.

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#### FORMULA FOR FIXING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEMBERS STATES(\*)

##### GENERAL PRINCIPLES

1. The principle that the budget shall be financed by Member contributions and the method of calculating these contributions are set forth in paragraph 3 of the Financing Rules attached to the Statutes, which reads as follows:

"The budget shall be financed by the contributions of the Members according to a method of apportionment to be determined by the Assembly, based on the level of economic development of and the importance of tourism in each country, and by other receipts of the Organization".

2. The General Assembly has adopted the formula for apportioning among the member States the amount of the expenditure financed by their contributions. The formula is based on the following principles:

(a) Division of this amount into two parts:

- The first part, equal to 25 per cent of net expenditure, is apportioned in equal shares among all of the member States;
- the second part, 75 per cent of net expenditure, is apportioned among the 77 member States with the largest capacity to pay according to said capacity.

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(\*) Adopted on 23 May 1975 by the General Assembly at its first session and revised on 2 September 1989 by the General Assembly at its eighth session by its resolution 258(VIII).

(b) Capacity to pay

A member State's capacity to pay is evaluated on the basis of two economic factors, National Income and Per Capita Income, and one technical factor, International Tourism Receipts. These three factors are weighted according to the formula explained in paragraph 3 and following.

(c) Contribution ceiling:

The share of any member State in the budget of WTO shall not exceed 5 per cent.

(d) Range of contributions:

The ratio between the lowest and highest contribution is 1 to 20.

CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTRIES ACCORDING TO THEIR CAPACITY TO PAY

Reference Statistics

3. The statistical data used to calculate the three factors mentioned in paragraph 2(b) above are as follows:

- for the economic factors: the data used by the United Nations to calculate the contributions of its member States;
- for the tourism factor: the data provided by the States Members of WTO or, failing that, obtained from the International Monetary Fund.

All three factors are based on average data for the 10 year period used by the United Nations to determine the economic factors. Any modification by the UN in this reference period will be applied by WTO.

Deductions - Corrections

4. These factors are then corrected, if necessary, by applying one of the following deductions:

(a) Comparative per capita income:

A deduction is made from the national income of each member State whose per capita income is less than US \$2,200. The difference between the country's per capita income and US \$2,200 is expressed as a percentage of US \$2,200, and 85 per cent of this percentage is deducted from the national income of the State in question for the purposes of calculating its contribution.

The reference threshold for per capita income as well as the deduction percentage are those applied by the UN in calculating the contributions of its Members, and any modification decided by the UN will be applied by WTO.

(b) An additional deduction of 50 per cent for countries whose population is equal to or less than 1,000,000 inhabitants, is applied to the economic and tourism factors.

5. For each of the three factors thus determined, the data of all the member States are multiplied by a corrective coefficient so that the highest amount obtained is reduced to 1,000,000.

Weighting coefficients

6. Following deductions and corrections, the following weighting coefficients are applied to each of the factors:

- NI	:	45 per cent	=	70 per cent	=	100 per cent
- PCI	:	25 per cent				
- Tourist receipts	:	30 per cent	=	30 per cent		

7. A member State's capacity to pay is determined by the weighted total of the factors.

Calculation of contribution

8. Once the first part of the amount of expenditure financed by the contributions of member States has been apportioned among them in accordance with paragraph 2(a) above, the second part of this amount (75 per cent) is apportioned among the first 77 member States which are arranged in descending order according to the figures obtained by applying the formula described in paragraphs 3 to 7 and then classified in seven groups, composed as follows:

1 State contributing	6.3333 %	of the second part of the budget (75%)
8 States	" 3.7583 %	" " " " "
10 States	" 2.0667 %	" " " " "
10 States	" 1.9000 %	" " " " "
10 States	" 0.9867 %	" " " " "
10 States	" 0.8333 %	" " " " "
28 States	" 0.2047 %	" " " " "

9. The total contribution of each member State to the budget of WTO is thus equal to the sum of its contributions to the first and second parts of the budget.

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A/RES/259(VIII)

Declaration of 1993 as Tourism Year of South Asia

Agenda item 13

The General Assembly,

Recognizing the wish expressed by the Members of the South Asia region to declare 1993 as Tourism Year of South Asia,

Acknowledging the decisive importance of such an event for the promotion and development of tourism in the region,

1. Decides:

- (a) to give all material support and assistance necessary for the celebration of South Asia Tourism Year in 1993, within the budgetary limitations of the ensuing periods, so that the Secretary-General can publicize this event on a scale commensurate with its importance;
- (b) to take the necessary steps to ensure the greatest possible participation of national and international organizations, both public and private, interested in tourism development;
- (c) to urge the Chairmen of the Regional Commissions to help, within their own areas to ensure the success of South Asia Tourism Year; and

2. Recommends all the Members directly involved in the celebration of South Asia Tourism Year (SATY) to adopt bilateral and multi-lateral agreements on travel facilitation and all other measures throughout 1993, which is declared South Asia Tourism Year.

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A/RES/260(VIII)

General programme of work of the Organization  
for the period 1990-1991

Agenda item 13  
(documents A/8/13 and A/8/13 Add.1)

The General Assembly,

Having considered the draft programme of work submitted by the Secretary-General in document A/8/13, which had been examined by the Technical Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Committee on Budget and Finance and the Executive Council,

Recognizing that a substantial increase in the budget would be necessary to include new priorities, whereas the Executive Council has recommended a zero growth budget for the biennium 1990-1991,

1. Approves the aforementioned programme of work concentrating on the following priority activities:

- (a) Technical cooperation in favour of developing countries;

- (b) Security and protection of tourists and tourist facilities;
  - (c) Facilitation and liberalization;
  - (d) Education and training;
  - (e) Information (including statistics and the image of tourism);
2. Empowers the Executive Council to authorize the use of surplus funds from the financial period 1984-1985, amounting to 437,750.68 United States dollars, to increase statistical and environmental activities;
  3. Urges the Members to pay their contributions to the Organization on time, so that the second and third priority activities in the programme may be implemented; and
  4. Appeals to the Members to make voluntary contributions so as to enable the fourth priority activities in the programme to be implemented also.

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A/RES/261(VIII)

Years of Tourism

Agenda item 13

The General Assembly,

Having been informed of the decisions taken by the WTO Commissions for Africa, the Americas and South Asia to declare 1991, 1992 and 1993, respectively, years of tourism in their regions and of the interest expressed by the WTO Commission for Europe in the year of tourism in Europe declared by the European Economic Community for 1990,

Aware of the importance of regional years of tourism for promoting greater public awareness about the values of this socio-economic phenomenon and for strengthening the Organization's image,

1. Gives its approval to the initiatives thus undertaken by the WTO Commissions for Africa, the Americas and South Asia;
2. Encourages the WTO Commission for Europe to contribute to the success of the year declared by the EEC; and
3. Requests the Secretary-General to help the Regional Commissions concerned seek the means to successfully carry out the programmes of activities they establish.

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A/RES/262(VIII)

Tourism and the environment

Agenda item 13

The General Assembly,

Realizing that in many regions, such as mountains, beaches or towns, the excessive concentration of tourists, holidaymakers or people pursuing sports activities or cultural interests has resulted or is about to result in an excessive strain on natural, rural and urban environments and culture, while the development of tourism to an economically and ecologically acceptable level in other regions can be supported,

Aware that forms of tourist activities that are harmful to the environment should be restricted or banned, while such tourist activities should be promoted that have as little negative impact as possible on the natural basis of life,

Recalling that the environment of many tourist regions is becoming seriously affected by non-tourist activities that are harmful to the environment,

Referring to The Hague Declaration on Tourism which concludes that the relation between tourism and environment also has a positive effect in that the expenditure of tourists provokes an economic motivation for the preservation of a nation's culture and environment,

1. Adds to the five main activities envisaged in the draft general programme of work for 1990-1991 a sixth item "Environment";
  2. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Executive Council in 1990 a detailed programme concerning natural and cultural environment, where possible in cooperation with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP);
  3. Appeals forthwith to the legislative bodies and governments of member States in particular to give the necessary attention as well as high priority to the protection of natural and cultural environments in their legislative, financial and implementing steps;
  4. Appeals to all other international organizations entrusted with environmental issues to include WTO's recommendations in their programmes and also to support their prompt implementation.
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A/RES/263(VIII)

Budget of the Organization for the period 1990-1991

Agenda item 14  
(documents A/8/14 and A/8/14 Add. 1)

The General Assembly,

Referring to the programme of work it has just approved for the period 1990-1991,

Having considered the draft budget of the Organization for the financial period 1990-1991, proposed by the Secretary-General in documents A/8/14 and A/8/14 Add.1,

Recognizing that the amount of 250,000 United States dollars included in Part III, Section I, Heading 5 of the budget for 1990-1991 for separation and recruitment expenses represents a statutory expense that has been included in virtually all past budgets of the Organization but that, owing to exceptional circumstances, was not included in the budget for 1988-1989 and that this amount does not therefore represent a real increase in the budget,

Also recognizing that, in accordance with the principles of budgetary austerity now being observed in international organizations, the draft budget submitted by the Secretary-General virtually attains the aim fixed by the Council of zero growth in real terms,

1. Requests the Secretary-General nevertheless to submit to the Executive Council for review the changes in staff grades proposed in the budget for 1990-1991 and to ensure that the cost of these changes is justified in terms of increased staff efficiency and does not exceed budgeted appropriations;

Noting that the appreciation of the dollar since the preparation of the initial draft results in a slight change in the budgetary parameters, reducing the overall amount by 348,200 dollars,

2. Approves, based on the United Nations operational rate of exchange applicable in August 1989, i.e. pts. 118 = US\$1, a total of 14,005,200 United States dollars for the financial period 1990-1991, of which 6,965,800 dollars correspond to the financial year 1990 and 7,039,400 dollars to the financial year 1991;

Considering that experience has shown that, given the high level of expenditure in the currency of the host State, variations in the exchange rate would pose fewer financial difficulties for the Organization if contributions were collected not only in United States dollars but also in Spanish pesetas,

Considering the new text adopted for paragraph 4 of the Financing Rules,

3. Decides that the contributions of member States to the budget for 1990-1991 will be paid in dollars and in pesetas;
4. Decides, accordingly, that of the total contributions payable by each member State 40 per cent will be paid in dollars and 60 per cent in pesetas and that the share of contributions payable in pesetas will be calculated on the basis of the United Nations operational rate of exchange applicable in August 1989;
5. Reiterates its resolution 206(VII) authorizing the Secretary-General to proceed with the execution of the general programme of work according to the time-schedule for the collection of contributions and on the basis of the sums ultimately recovered and the priorities established for the programme of work, it being understood that the Executive Council should be kept informed accordingly; and
6. Requests the Secretary-General, after consulting with the Members, to report to the Executive Council on ways in which the formulation of the Organization's budget and programmes can be improved.

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A/RES/264 (VIII)

Assessment of the contributions of Affiliate Members  
for the period 1990-1991

Agenda item 15  
(document A/8/15)

The General Assembly,

Having regard to Article 25(1) of the Statutes and regulation 6(3) of the Financial Regulations,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the assessment of Affiliate Members' contributions for the financial period 1990-1991,

Decides, endorsing the recommendation of the Executive Council, to assess the contributions of Affiliate Members at 1,300 United States dollars for each of the financial years of the period 1990-1991.  
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A/RES/265 (VIII)

Situation of amendments to the Statutes and  
Financing Rules

Agenda item 16(a)  
(documents A/8/16(a) and A/8/16(a) Corr.1)

The General Assembly,

Considering document A/8/16(a) showing the situation of amendments to the Statutes and Financing Rules,

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Noting that not one of the amendments to the statutory texts so far adopted has received the requisite number of approvals, viz. two-thirds of the member States, to enter into force,

1. Urges member States that have not already ratified these amendments to do so as soon as possible;

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Considering that the statutory texts of the Organization, which is to say the Statutes and Financing Rules adopted in 1970, have several shortcomings and that, on the whole, the statutory texts of the Organization ought to be reviewed and revised to reflect in particular the experience gained in the operation of the Organization,

2. Decides to entrust the Executive Council with examining the statutory texts with a view to submitting the revised text of the Statutes and Financing Rules to the Assembly at its ninth session for consideration and possible adoption;

- 3. Decides that the Executive Council shall study practical procedures for a revision of the statutory texts, by either the Council itself or a group set up by the Council, in consultation with the Regional Commissions of the Organization; and
- 4. Decides that any additional expense that implementation of this resolution might entail should be covered by the budgetary savings the Secretary-General is able to make in the next biennium.

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A/RES/266 (VIII)

Amendment to the Financing Rules: Members' contributions - split-currency based system

Agenda item 16(b)  
(document A/8/16(b))

The General Assembly,

Considering the risks of loss to the WTO budget due to fluctuations in the exchange rate of the currency in which Members pay their contributions,

Considering that, to tackle this problem, more than one currency should be envisaged for payment of contributions,

Considering that paragraph 4 of the Financing Rules provides that: "The budget shall be formulated in United States dollars. The currency used for the payment of contributions shall be the United States dollar. This shall not preclude acceptance by the Secretary-General, to the extent authorized by the Assembly, of other currencies in payment of Members' contributions.",

Considering that it is therefore necessary to amend the above-mentioned paragraph 4,

Considering that the proposed modification, first launched by the Group of Experts on the financial situation of the Organization, was approved by the Executive Council in its decision 4(XXXIV),

Considering the text of the amendment as proposed by the Committee on Budget and Finance in its report and approved by the Executive Council in its decision 23(XXXV),

Decides to adopt, by the necessary majority, that is two-thirds of Full Members present and voting, the following text of paragraph 4 of the Financing Rules:

"4. The budget shall be formulated in United States dollars. The currency used for payment of contributions shall be the United States dollar or any other currency or combination of currencies stipulated by the Assembly. This shall not preclude acceptance by the Secretary-General, to the extent authorized by the Assembly, of other currencies in payment of Members' contributions."

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A/RES/267(VIII)

Amendment to the Financing Rules: Members' contributions -  
split-currency based system

Agenda item 16(b)  
(document A/8/16(b))

The General Assembly,

Considering paragraph 4 of the Financing Rules, which it has just amended,

Decides that:

- (1) paragraph 4 of the Financing Rules as amended will be immediately applicable;
- (2) the Assembly shall determine, on the proposal of the Executive Council, the share of contributions to be paid in dollars and the share to be paid in another currency or combination of currencies;
- (3) for the 1990-1991 budget, the contributions of Full and Associate Members shall be paid in dollars and the currency of the host State and those of Affiliate Members in dollars or any other convertible currency;
- (4) the share of contributions to be paid in pesetas shall be determined by the Assembly when it approves the budget, according to the percentage of expenditure incurred by the Organization in pesetas; and
- (5) the share of contributions to be paid in the currency of the host State shall be calculated by applying the United Nations operational rate of exchange in effect when the budget is approved.

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A/RES/268(VIII)

Approval of agreements concluded by the Organization

Agenda item 16(c)  
(documents A/8/16(c) and A/8/16(c) Add.1 and Add.2)

The General Assembly,

Considering document A/8/16(c), and in particular the texts of the agreements concluded with several intergovernmental organizations and private institutions, which are submitted to it in accordance with Article 12(m) of the Statutes,

1. Decides:

- (a) to approve the agreements or working arrangements concluded with the following intergovernmental organizations:
  - the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP);

- the Central African Customs and Economic Union (UDEAC);
- the Commission of the Cartagena Agreement (JUNAC),

(b) to approve the agreements or working arrangements concluded with the following private institutions:

- Department of Management Studies for Tourism and Hotel Industries (MSTHI) of the University of Surrey;
- George Washington University;
- Interface Group, Inc.;
- The Restaurant, Hotel and Institutional Management Institute of Purdue University;
- Simón Bolívar University;
- The Faculty of Economics of the University of Zagreb;
- University of Calgary;
- University of Paris I - Pantheon Sorbonne;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to monitor closely execution of the agreements concluded with the universities, bearing in mind the principles considered and established by the General Assembly with regard to the conclusion by WTO of agreements concerning education and training and, if need be, to take the appropriate measures when agreements are to be renewed.

A/RES/269 (VIII)

Report on World Tourism Day and  
adoption of themes for 1990 and 1991

Agenda item 17  
(document A/8/17)

The General Assembly,

Having taken note of the document submitted by the Secretary-General containing the report on World Tourism Day in 1988 and 1989 and the two themes proposed by the Executive Council for World Tourism Day in 1990 and 1991,

Considering with satisfaction the encouraging results obtained from the celebration of World Tourism Day 1988 which reveal the growing impact of this initiative and its positive effects on public opinion,

Having taken cognizance of the measures taken by the Secretary-General to ensure that World Tourism Day 1989 proceeds as smoothly as possible and achieves a resounding success,

Having considered with interest the two themes proposed by the Council for World Tourism Day 1990 and 1991,

1. Decides that the following themes will be used for the celebration of World Tourism Day in 1990 and 1991:

for 1990: Tourism: an unrecognized industry, a service to be released (The Hague Declaration on Tourism)

for 1991: Communication, information and education: powerlines of tourism development;

- 2. Encourages the Members of the Organization to make full use of the opportunities provided by World Tourism Day to foster awareness of the far-reaching importance of tourism for society as a whole, thereby enhancing interest in the image of this phenomenon; and
- 3. Requests the Members of the Organization to provide the Secretariat, on a timely basis, with a summary of the activities carried out to mark World Tourism Day so that this information may be shared with the other Members of WTO.

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A/RES/270(VIII)

Appointment of the Secretary-General for the period 1990-1993

Agenda item 18  
(document A/8/18)

The General Assembly,

Having regard to Articles 12(c) and 22 of the Statutes and rules 38(g), 43 and 53 of its Rules of Procedure,

Having considered the recommendation of the Executive Council, as contained in decision 16(XXXV),

Having held a secret ballot in accordance with the Guiding Principles for the conduct of Elections by Secret Ballot attached to its Rules of Procedure,

Having regard to the result of the ballot, which gave a majority exceeding two-thirds of the votes cast to the nominee of the Executive Council, Mr. Antonio Enríquez Savignac (Mexico),

Appoints Mr. Antonio Enríquez Savignac to the post of Secretary-General of the Organization for the period 1990-1993.

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A/RES/271(VIII)

Election of Council Members

Agenda item 19  
(document A/8/19)

The General Assembly,

Having regard to Articles 14 and 15 of the Statutes and rules 43, 54 and 55 of its Rules of Procedure,

- 1. Declares the following nine Full Members elected as Members of the Executive Council for the period 1990-1993:

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| Algeria  | Italy   |
| Cameroon | Jordan  |
| Colombia | Poland  |
| Egypt    | Uruguay |
| India    |         |

- 2. Takes note of the appointment of Puerto Rico to represent the Associate Members and of that of the Chairman of the Affiliate Members to represent the Affiliate Members on the Executive Council for the period 1989-1993.

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A/RES/272(VIII)

Election of the Auditors for the period 1990-1991

Agenda item 20  
(document A/8/20)

The General Assembly,

Having regard to the provisions of Article 12(g) of the Statutes and having noted the recommendation of the Executive Council in this regard,

- 1. Thanks the Auditors, Mr. Nistor Moise (Romania) and Mr. Juan Pedro Cortés Camacho (Spain), for their work on behalf of the Organization; and
- 2. Decides to appoint Guinea and Spain as Auditors of the Organization for the financial years 1990 and 1991.

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A/RES/273(VIII)

Place and dates of the ninth session  
of the General Assembly

Agenda item 21  
(document A/8/21)

The General Assembly,

Considering the invitation of the Argentine Government to hold the ninth session of the General Assembly at Buenos Aires,

- 1. Thanks the Argentine Government for its generous invitation;
- 2. Decides, in accordance with rules 1(2) and 1(3) of its Rules of Procedure, to hold its ninth session at Buenos Aires on dates to be determined by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Executive Council and in agreement with the Argentine authorities; and
- 3. Takes note of the invitation extended by Egypt to hold its tenth session at Cairo.

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