

all of us who are members of the Organization are aware of the Charter and its purposes and, by our signature of the Charter, we have indicated that we adhere to them. We recall certain general purposes in order to indicate the scope of our Organization: the maintenance of peace, the settlement of disputes, and international economic and social co-operation. These are great and far-reaching purposes, and the extent of the purposes of the Organization should always be before us when we take actions which affect them. I come back to the theme which I have developed concerning the interdependence of the various activities of the Organization.

In the second preambular paragraph the Resolution recognizes that in order to fulfil purposes and principles, however noble, there must be adequate financial resources and orderly and generally recognized procedures to deal with the financial problems which result from the activities undertaken to fulfil these purposes.

The resolution goes on to recognize also that, despite the many efforts made over the years, the financial situation facing the Organization has become more serious. This is a statement of fact which cannot be re-stated enough.

Passing on from this rather sombre recognition, we affirm a more optimistic belief: that the Organization will continue to grow and develop and that the demands upon it will increase. An organization is viable in direct proportion to the demands made upon it and to the extent that these demands can be met successfully. This instrument which has grown out of the Charter, for all the shortcomings that one might attribute to it, is still a remarkable development. All of us can think of examples of how, on the political side, the Organization has mitigated tensions and moderated feelings. On the economic and social co-operation side we can point to the large and growing number of successful programmes and projects which