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| Fiftieth session  Agenda item 105  RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  [on the report of the Third Committee (A/50/628)]  50/144. Towards full integration of persons  with disabilities in society:  implementation of the Standard Rules  on the Equalization of Opportunities  for Persons with Disabilities and of  the Long-term Strategy to Implement  the World Programme of Action  concerning Disabled Persons to the  Year 2000 and Beyond  The General Assembly,  Recalling its resolution 48/96 of 20 December 1993, by which it  adopted the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for  Persons with Disabilities,  Recalling also its resolution 37/52 of 3 December 1982, by which  it adopted the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled  Persons, 1/  Recalling further all its relevant resolutions, including  resolutions 37/53 of 3 December 1982, 46/96 of 16 December 1991, 47/88  of 16 December 1992, 48/95 and 48/99 of 20 December 1993 and 49/153 of  23 December 1994,  Taking note of resolution 34/2 of 20 April 1995 of the Commission  for Social Development, 2/ wherein it is stated, inter alia, that the  Standard Rules are to be monitored within the framework of the  sessions of the Commission, and that the purpose of such monitoring is  to further their effective implementation,  Noting with interest the initiative taken by non-governmental  organizations to develop a disability index based on the Standard  Rules, as well as other activities related to the Standard Rules and  activities in support of the World Programme of Action,  Welcoming the report of the Special Rapporteur of the Commission  for Social Development on monitoring the implementation of the  Standard Rules and his recommendation that, in the coming two years,  the focus should be mainly on legislation, coordination of work,  organizations of persons with disabilities, accessibility, education  and employment, 3/  Welcoming also the unreserved reaffirmation in the Vienna  Declaration and Programme of Action, adopted by the World Conference  on Human Rights on 25 June 1993, 4/ of all the human rights and  fundamental freedoms of persons with disabilities, and the recognition  in both the Programme of Action of the International Conference on  Population and Development 5/ and the Programme of Action of the World  Summit for Social Development 6/ of a pressing need, among others, for  the realization of the goals of full participation in society and the  equalization of opportunities for persons with disabilities, as well  as the recognition by the Fourth World Conference on Women, held at  Beijing from 4 to 15 September 1995, 7/ of the special needs of women  with disabilities,  1. Recalls the recognition by the World Summit for Social  Development of the need to promote the Standard Rules on the  Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities;  2. Urges all Governments and organizations to continue to  strengthen their efforts to implement the Standard Rules by  appropriate legal, administrative and other measures, taking into  account the integrated social development strategy set out in the  Programme of Action of the World Summit for Social Development; 6/  3. Encourages Governments of Member States to respond to the  questionnaire sent by the Special Rapporteur of the Commission for  Social Development;  4. Encourages Member States to make contributions to the United  Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability to support initiatives on  disability, including the important work of the Special Rapporteur;  5. Calls upon Governments, when implementing the World  Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons, 1/ to take into  account the elements suggested in the Long-term Strategy to Implement  the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons to the Year  2000 and Beyond; 8/  6. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure appropriate support  for the effective functioning of the Long-term Strategy;  7. Encourages the use of communications networks for the  dissemination to the general public of the Standard Rules, the World  Programme of Action and the Long-term Strategy;  8. Encourages the Secretary-General, the Department for Policy  Coordination and Sustainable Development of the Secretariat and the  United Nations organizations concerned, particularly the United  Nations Development Programme, to continue their efforts to facilitate  the collection and transmission of relevant data to be used to  finalize, in consultation with Member States, the development of  global disability indicators, and requests the Secretary-General to  submit a report on this question to the General Assembly at its fifty-  second session.  97th plenary meeting  21 December 1995  Notes  1/ A/37/351/Add.1 and Corr.1, annex, sect. VIII, recommendation  1 (IV).  2/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council,  1995, Supplement No. 4 (E/1995/24), chap. I, sect. E.  3/ See A/50/374, annex.  4/ A/CONF.157/24 (Part I), chap. III.  5/ Report of the International Conference on Population and  Development, Cairo, 5-13 September 1994 (United Nations publication,  Sales No. E.95.XIII.18), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.  6 A/CONF.166/9, chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.  7/ A/CONF.177/20 and Add.1.  8/ A/49/435, annex. |