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JULY 14, 1975

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3. THE WORLD PLAN OF ACTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE CONFERENCE DELEGATES SETS AN AGENDA FOR EACH NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. I LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF MY RECENTLY FORMED NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL


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