

Recognizing the need for further study of the implications of the growth, structure and geographical distribution of population for economic and social development, including national health, nutrition, education and social welfare programmes carried out at all levels of government activity,

Believing that demographic problems require the consideration of economic, social, cultural, psychological and health factors in their proper perspective,

Recognizing the sovereignty of nations in formulating and promoting their own population policies, with due regard to the principle that the size of the family should be the free choice of each individual family,

1. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council, the Population Commission, the regional economic commissions, the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut and the specialized agencies concerned to study the proceedings of the 1965 World Population Conference when pursuing their activities in the field of population;

2. *Notes with satisfaction* the decision of the World Health Organization to include in its programme of activities the study of the health aspects of human reproduction and the provision of advisory services, upon request, within its responsibilities under World Health Assembly resolution WHA 19.43, and the decision of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to stimulate and provide assistance towards scientific studies concerning the relations between the development of education and population;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To pursue, within the limits of available resources, the implementation of the work programme covering training, research, information and advisory services in the field of population in the light of the recommendations of the Population Commission contained in the report on its thirteenth session,⁴⁵ as endorsed by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1084 (XXXIX), and of the considerations set forth in the preamble of the present resolution;

(b) To continue his consultations with the specialized agencies concerned, in order to ensure that the activities of the United Nations system of organizations in the field of population are effectively co-ordinated;

(c) To present to the Population Commission at its fourteenth session, as envisaged in Economic and Social Council resolution 1084 (XXXIX), proposals with regard to the priorities of work over periods of two and five years, within the framework of the long-range programme of work in the field of population;

4. *Calls upon* the Economic and Social Council, the Population Commission, the regional economic commissions, the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut and the specialized agencies concerned to assist, when requested, in further developing and strengthening national and regional facilities for training, research, information and advisory services in the field of population, bearing in mind the different character of population problems in each country and region and the needs arising therefrom.

1497th plenary meeting,
17 December 1966.

⁴⁵ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/4019).

2212 (XXI). Headquarters of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly

Decides to locate the headquarters of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization at Vienna.

1497th plenary meeting,
17 December 1966.

2218 (XXI). United Nations Development Decade

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The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the solemn undertaking embodied in the Charter of the United Nations to promote economic and social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

Recalling the high hopes raised by the proclamation, at its sixteenth session, of the United Nations Development Decade, the first world-wide effort to give concrete form to that solemn undertaking,

Endorsing Economic and Social Council resolution 1152 (XLI) of 4 August 1966, in which the Council, noting that progress during the United Nations Development Decade had been disappointingly slow, recommended a survey of the preparations required in order to further and facilitate planning for concerted international action for the period following the Decade, having regard to the experience gained,

Considering that further development efforts will produce satisfactory results only if, without delay, the necessary action, both national and international, is systematically prepared and oriented towards longer-term and increased efforts by Member States in the field of economic and social development and in particular development assistance,

Noting that the United Nations family of organizations has already made encouraging progress in promulgating various principles, directives and guidelines for action in the field of development,

Bearing in mind the fact that at its second session the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will have to consider taking steps to achieve a great measure of agreement on principles governing international trade relations and trade policies conducive to development,

Bearing in mind also its resolution 1942 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963 concerning the necessity of drafting a declaration on international economic co-operation,

Recognizing that the formulation of a consolidated statement of the rights and duties of peoples and nations might sustain and enhance international development efforts and co-operation and could help to enlist wider public support for the strengthening of development policies,

Considering that the possibility and advisability of proclaiming a charter of development underlying international co-operation in the interest of economic, social and cultural development deserve further consideration,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the executive heads of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the regional economic commissions, the United Nations