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RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL DURING ITS SIXTY-THIRD SESSION

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO A SESSIONAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

2088 (LXIII). Admission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to membership of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered resolution 37 (IV) of the Economic Commission for Western Asia¹ concerning the application of the Arab Republic of Egypt for admission to membership of that Commission,

Bearing in mind paragraph 2 of the Commission's terms of reference as contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 1818 (LV) of 9 August 1973,

1. *Decides* to admit the Arab Republic of Egypt as a member of the Economic Commission for Western Asia;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Commission to take the necessary measures for the early implementation of the present resolution.

*2078th plenary meeting
22 July 1977*

2089 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 2026 (LXI) of 4 August 1976, on assistance to the Palestinian people,

Considering that the full participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the Economic Commission for Western Asia would contribute to the purposes and aims of the Commission,

Taking into consideration resolution 36 (IV) of the Economic Commission for Western Asia,²

1. *Decides* to amend paragraph 2 of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

as contained in Council resolution 1818 (LV) of 9 August 1973 to read:

2. The members of the Commission shall consist of the States Members of the United Nations situated in Western Asia which used to call on the services of the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut and of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Future applications for membership by Member States shall be decided on by the Council upon the recommendation of the Commission.

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Commission to take the necessary measures for the early implementation of the present resolution.

*2078th plenary meeting
22 July 1977*

2090 (LXIII). Examination of long-term trends in the economic development of world regions

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Considering that the United Nations activities initiated by General Assembly resolution 3508 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 entitled "Examination of long-term trends in the economic development of the regions of the world" should contribute to providing an adequate basis for international economic negotiations relating to international trade, primary commodity and food problems, industrialization, monetary problems and other issues of primordial importance for economic and social development on the global scale,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the report of the Secretary-General on long-term trends in the economic development of the various regions of the world and their mutual

¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 10 (E/5969), chap. III.*

² *Ibid.*

relationship,³ prepared in accordance with paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 3508 (XXX);

2. *Recommends* that the regional commissions should continue and further expand their studies of long-term economic trends in their respective regions, designed to reach practical conclusions regarding the expansion of economic co-operation both on a regional and on an international scale;

3. *Affirms* the need to bear in mind long-term prospects for the economic development of the regions of the world during the elaboration of the new international development strategy;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Committee for Development Planning, the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the heads of other interested bodies of the United Nations system, to start, on the basis of the regional studies under way, preparations for the elaboration of an over-all socio-economic perspective of the development of the world economy up to the year 2000, with special emphasis on the years up to 1990, taking due account of social and economic factors within development projections, interregional economic relationships and sectoral forecasts and including methodological guidelines appropriate for the further examination of long-term economic trends;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Council at its sixty-fifth session a progress report on the action taken to implement the provisions of the present resolution.

2079th plenary meeting
25 July 1977

2091 (LXIII). Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that Angola and the Seychelles have become Members of the United Nations since the Economic Commission for Africa last submitted its annual report to the Council,⁴

Decides to add Angola and the Seychelles to the list of member countries contained in paragraph 5 of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Africa.⁵

2079th plenary meeting
25 July 1977

2092 (LXIII). Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that Papua New Guinea has become a member of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and

³ E/5937 and Corr.1, E/5937/Add.1 and Corr.1 and 2, E/5937/Add.2 and 3, and E/5937/Add.4 and Corr.1.

⁴ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 11* (E/5783).

⁵ *Ibid.*, annex III.

the Pacific, in accordance with paragraph 3 of the terms of reference of the Commission,⁶

Decides to amend paragraphs 3 and 4 of the terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific accordingly.

2079th plenary meeting
25 July 1977

2093 (LXIII). Assistance to Zambia

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolutions on the question of Southern Rhodesia, in particular resolution 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966 declaring that the situation in Southern Rhodesia constituted a threat to international peace and security, and resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968 imposing mandatory sanctions against the illegal racist minority régime in Southern Rhodesia,

Commending the decision of the Government of Zambia in 1968 to implement progressively United Nations mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968), culminating in the closure of the border with Southern Rhodesia in 1973,

Appreciating the very substantial sacrifices made by the Government and the people of Zambia in terms of the opportunities forgone for the economic and social development of the country since the unilateral declaration of independence by Southern Rhodesia in November 1965,

Recalling Security Council resolution 277 (1970) of 18 March 1970, requesting, *inter alia*, Member States and the United Nations system to increase their assistance to Zambia as a matter of priority,

Recalling further Security Council resolution 329 (1973) of 10 March 1973, appealing to all States for immediate technical, financial and material assistance to Zambia to enable it to enhance its capacity to implement fully the mandatory sanctions policy and requesting the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, to organize with immediate effect all forms of financial, technical and material assistance to enable Zambia to carry out its policy of economic independence from the racist régime of Southern Rhodesia,

Appreciating the assistance received until now from certain Member States and the United Nations system.

Noting with satisfaction the measures taken so far by the Secretary-General to organize an effective programme of international assistance to Zambia,

Having heard the statement made on behalf of the Secretary-General and that of the representative of Zambia,⁷

⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 8* (E/5943), annex III.

⁷ See E/SR.2079 and E/6050.

Noting that:

(a) The real cost to Zambia includes not only the direct cost of applying sanctions and the cost of the contingency measures necessitated by them, but also heavy recurrent expenditure, and the diversion of limited financial and human resources from the country's national development,

(b) The direct cost to Zambia of applying sanctions is estimated at approximately \$744 million over the past eleven years, of which approximately \$544 million has been incurred during the period 1973-1977,

(c) The Government of Zambia has already undertaken a number of long-term development projects designed to counter the adverse effects of sanctions,

(d) The Government of Zambia wishes to continue the programme of co-operation between Zambia and the United Nations until the situation in relation to the minority racist régime of Southern Rhodesia is resolved satisfactorily,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Articles 49 and 50 of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing that Zambia is confronted with special economic problems arising from the implementation of the measures decided upon in Security Council resolution 253 (1968), and especially in the context of the increasing momentum and pressure of political development in southern Africa,

1. *Strongly endorses* the appeal of the Security Council to the international community to provide technical, financial and material assistance to Zambia;

2. *Calls* upon all Member States to continue to provide Zambia with ample and appropriate assistance, bilaterally and multilaterally, whenever possible in the form of grants, to enable Zambia to bear the great cost arising from the implementation of sanctions and to carry out its normal development programme;

3. *Requests* the United Nations and all its organizations and specialized agencies to make every effort to assist Zambia;

4. *Requests* the United Nations Special Fund to give special consideration to the needs of Zambia;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the programme of co-operation between Zambia and the United Nations until the situation in relation to the minority racist régime of Southern Rhodesia is resolved satisfactorily;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to keep the situation under constant review, to hold consultations, as appropriate, with representatives of Governments of all interested Member States, regional organizations, inter-governmental agencies, regional and international financial institutions, and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session.

2080th plenary meeting
26 July 1977

2094 (LXIII). Assistance to Mozambique

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the decision of the Government of Mozambique to implement mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia in accordance with Security Council resolution 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968,

Fully aware of the substantial economic sacrifices made by the Government and the people of Mozambique as a consequence of the closure of the border with Southern Rhodesia,

Recalling Security Council resolution 386 (1976) of 17 March 1976, in which that Council appealed to all States to provide immediate financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique and requested the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, to organize with immediate effect all forms of financial, technical and material assistance to enable Mozambique to carry out its policy of economic independence from the racist régime of Southern Rhodesia and to enhance its capacity to implement fully the United Nations mandatory sanctions,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolutions 1987 (LX) of 11 May 1976 and 2020 (LXI) of 3 August 1976 and General Assembly resolution 31/43 of 1 December 1976, endorsing the appeal of the Security Council to the international community to provide immediate financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Mozambique,⁸ which gives an assessment of Mozambique's specific food and material requirements for 1977 and describes the country's special needs resulting from floods and from the influx of refugees from Southern Rhodesia,

Recognizing the plight of the refugees and the additional burden imposed upon Mozambique by their continuing influx,

Noting further the status of the international assistance accorded to Mozambique by February 1977,⁹

Recalling Security Council resolution 411 (1977) of 30 June 1977 concerning *inter alia* losses suffered by Mozambique as a result of acts of aggression committed by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, by which that Council requested the international community to provide financial, technical and material assistance to enable Mozambique to overcome the severe economic loss and destruction of property brought about by those acts of aggression,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the report reviewing the situation in Mozambique and concurs with its conclusions;¹⁰

⁸ A/32/96.

⁹ *Ibid.*, chap. III.

¹⁰ *Ibid.*, chap. V.

2. *Deeply appreciates* the assistance so far provided to Mozambique by various countries and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

3. *Expresses concern*, however, that the international assistance received to date falls short of the amount required to enable Mozambique to deal with the special economic problems arising from its implementation of Security Council resolution 253 (1968);

4. *Further concerned* by recent acts of aggression committed against Mozambique by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, in particular the infliction of heavy casualties among the civilian population and widespread destruction of private and public property;

5. *Calls upon* all States and regional and interregional organizations to respond to the appeals of the Security Council and the General Assembly for assistance on a generous scale to enable Mozambique to bear the great cost arising from the implementation of sanctions and from the aggressive actions of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session the report of the mission which was dispatched to Mozambique pursuant to Security Council resolution 411 (1977), so that the international community may consider further the measures needed to assist Mozambique in overcoming the social and economic losses resulting from the acts of aggression committed by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia;

7. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to strengthen further his humanitarian assistance programmes on behalf of refugees and urges the international community to provide him speedily with the necessary means to carry out these programmes;

8. *Welcomes* the arrangements made by the Secretary-General and by the Government of Mozambique for the co-ordination of the programme of assistance, and the establishment of a special account at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General to receive contributions to the programme;

9. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to assist Mozambique in carrying out its planned development projects without interruption and to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance;

10. *Further requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system to report regularly to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Mozambique;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the resources necessary for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Mozambique;

(b) To ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and to co-ordinate the international programme of assistance to Mozambique;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Mozambique in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

2083rd plenary meeting
29 July 1977

2095 (LXIII). Assistance to Botswana

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolutions 403 (1977) of 14 January 1977 and 406 (1977) of 25 May 1977 concerning the complaint by the Government of Botswana of acts of aggression committed against its territory by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia,

Recalling also Security Council resolutions 232 (1966) of 16 December 1966 and 253 (1968) of 29 May 1968, which determined and reaffirmed, respectively, that the situation in Southern Rhodesia constituted a threat to international peace and security and that sanctions should be imposed against the illegal régime in that territory,

Deeply concerned at the loss of human life and damage to property caused by the acts of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia against Botswana,

Noting with appreciation Botswana's policy of according asylum to political refugees fleeing from Southern Rhodesia,

Realizing the need for Botswana to strengthen its security in order to safeguard its sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence,

Recognizing the plight of the refugees and the additional burden imposed upon Botswana by their continuing influx,

1. *Expresses full support* for the Government of Botswana in its effort to safeguard its sovereignty and to afford protection to its people against attacks and acts of provocation by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia;

2. *Takes cognizance* of the special economic hardship confronting Botswana because it has to divert funds from current and planned development projects to hitherto unplanned and unbudgeted security arrangements, owing to the country's urgent need to defend itself effectively against attacks and threats by the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia;

3. *Fully endorses* the assessment and recommendations of the mission to Botswana¹¹ appointed by the Secretary-General to assess the needs of Botswana in

¹¹ S/12307.

carrying out its development projects in the present circumstances;

4. *Strongly endorses* the appeal of the Security Council and of the Secretary-General to all States and intergovernmental organizations to provide generous assistance to Botswana, within the framework of the mission's recommendations, in order that Botswana may be able to carry out its planned development projects at their original level and without delay;

5. *Calls* upon all States, regional and interregional organizations, and other governmental and non-governmental bodies to respond to the appeals of the Security Council to provide assistance on a generous scale to Botswana;

6. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to maintain and increase their current and future programmes of assistance to Botswana in carrying out its planned development projects without interruption and to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance;

7. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to strengthen further his humanitarian assistance programmes on behalf of refugees and urges the international community to provide him speedily with the necessary means to carry out these programmes;

8. *Further requests* the appropriate organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations system to report regularly to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Botswana;

9. *Welcomes* the arrangements made by the Secretary-General and by the Government of Botswana for the co-ordination of the programme of assistance, and the establishment of a special account at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General to receive contributions to the programme;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the resources necessary for an effective international programme of assistance to Botswana;

(b) To ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and to co-ordinate an international programme of assistance to Botswana;

(c) To arrange for a review of the programme of assistance to Botswana to be conducted in time for the matter to be considered at the thirty-second session of the General Assembly.

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2096 (LXIII). Assistance to Lesotho

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling Security Council resolution 402 (1976) of 22 December 1976 concerning the serious situation created by South Africa's closure of certain border posts between South Africa and Lesotho aimed at coercing Lesotho into according recognition to the bantustan Transkei,

Further recalling the condemnation by the Security Council of any action by South Africa to coerce Lesotho into according recognition to the bantustan Transkei,

Mindful of the decision of the Government of Lesotho not to recognize the Transkei bantustan, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 31/6A of 26 October 1976,

Fully aware that the decision of the Government of Lesotho not to recognize the Transkei has imposed a special economic burden upon Lesotho,

Having examined the report of the Mission to Lesotho appointed by the Secretary-General in accordance with Security Council resolution 402 (1976)¹²

Recognizing the plight of refugees and the additional burden imposed upon Lesotho by their continuing influx,

1. *Expresses* full understanding of the problems faced by Lesotho as a result of its decision not to recognize the so-called independent Transkei;

2. *Concurs* fully with the assessment and recommendations contained in the report of the Mission to Lesotho;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for the measures he has taken to organize an effective international programme of assistance to Lesotho and, in consultation with the Government of Lesotho, the mobilization of the necessary resources required to deal with the economic problems brought about by the closure of the border posts;

4. *Strongly endorses* the appeal made by the Security Council to all States, regional and intergovernmental organizations and the appropriate agencies of the United Nations system to contribute generously to the international programme of assistance to Lesotho in order that it can carry out its economic development programmes and enhance its capacity to implement fully United Nations resolutions on *apartheid* and bantustans;

5. *Calls* upon all States, regional and interregional organizations, and other governmental and non-governmental organizations to respond to the appeals of the Security Council to provide assistance on a generous scale to Lesotho;

6. *Requests* the appropriate organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, in particular the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Conference

¹² S/12315.

on Trade and Development, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to maintain and increase their current and future programmes of assistance to Lesotho in carrying out its planned development projects without interruption and to co-operate closely with the Secretary-General in organizing an effective international programme of assistance;

7. *Further requests* the appropriate organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations system to report regularly to the Secretary-General on the steps they have taken and the resources they have made available to assist Lesotho;

8. *Requests* the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to strengthen further his humanitarian assistance programmes on behalf of refugees and urges the international community to provide him speedily with the necessary means to carry out these programmes;

9. *Welcomes* the arrangements made by the Secretary-General and by the Government of Lesotho for the co-ordination of the programme of assistance, and the establishment of a special account at United Nations Headquarters by the Secretary-General to receive contributions to the programme;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue his efforts to mobilize the resources necessary for an effective programme of financial, technical and material assistance to Lesotho;

(b) To ensure that adequate financial and budgetary arrangements are made to continue the mobilization of resources and to co-ordinate the international programme of assistance to Lesotho;

(c) To arrange for a review of the economic situation of Lesotho in time for the matter to be considered by the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

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2097 (LXIII). Transport and Communications Decade in Africa

The Economic and Social Council

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 on the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 on the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, and in particular the need to narrow the gap between the industrialized and the developing countries.

Recognizing the urgent need to improve substantially the transport and communications infrastructure in Africa in particular,

Noting with satisfaction the initiative of the Organization of African Unity and the Economic Commission for Africa in the

establishment of an integrated African road network and the rationalization of Africa's railway systems and other transport systems in order to facilitate the promotion of multinational economic co-operation in Africa, intra-African trade and the political, social and economic integration of Africa,

Commending resolution 291 (XIII) of the Economic Commission for Africa entitled "Transport and Communications Decade in Africa", adopted at its thirteenth session (fourth meeting of the Conference of Ministers) (E/5941, part III),

Noting section III, subsection D, of the annex to the report of the Conference on International Economic Co-operation (E/L.1774) on infrastructure, and in particular paragraph 8 of that subsection dealing with Africa.

Convinced that effective support is required from the international community in order to promote the principle of collective self-reliance for the purpose of solving African problems in these sectors,

Convinced further of the need to adopt an integrated approach in the formulation of a global strategy for the development of transport and communications in Africa, taking into account all the problems facing the continent in this field,

Noting further with appreciation the progress made in the development of a Pan-African telecommunication network, which is jointly sponsored by the Organization of African Unity, the International Telecommunication Union and the Economic Commission for Africa,

Welcoming the continuing interest of the specialized agencies in the application of communications technologies and services, in particular that of the International Telecommunication Union, which, as the lead agency, has the responsibility for the regulation, co-ordination and harmonization of activities in this field,

1. *Endorses* the recommendation made in paragraph 1 of resolution 291 (XIII) of the Economic Commission for Africa adopted at its thirteenth session (fourth meeting of the Conference of Ministers) and proclaims a Transport and Communications Decade in Africa during the years 1978-1988, with a view to:

(a) Giving active support to the preparation and implementation of a global strategy for the development of transport and communications in Africa, for the purpose of solving the problems of the continent in this field;

(b) Mobilizing the technical and financial resources required for this purpose;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the executive heads of the agencies concerned, to provide all possible assistance to the African States in the preparation of a detailed plan of action for the Decade and to co-ordinate the mobilization of the necessary technical and financial resources required to make the Decade a success;

3. *Calls* upon all Member States, in particular the developed countries and others in a position to do so, to participate effectively in the implementation of programmes for achieving the objectives of the Decade;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the International Telecommunication Union and other specialized agencies concerned, to propose for consideration, as appropriate, one year during the Decade as a World Communications Year, in view of the importance of transport and communications to other regions of the world and to submit a report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session containing a detailed programme of measures and activities to be carried out during such a Year;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session, a detailed progress report

on the implementation of the present resolution, and to submit thereafter annual progress reports.

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2111 (LXIII). Consumer protection

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recognizing that the benefits of development measures aimed at raising the standard of living and improving the quality of life of the peoples of the world would be enhanced if they were accompanied by adequate measures for the protection of individual consumers, particularly those of the developing countries which do not have the capabilities required for such protection,

Recalling its decision 204 (ORG-77) of 14 January 1977 to request the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to prepare a brief report on the activities of the United Nations system on consumer protection for consideration at the Council's sixty-third session,

Recognizing the importance, in this context, of the work being done in the field of consumer protection by the Commission on Transnational Corporations,

Recalling decision 85 (V) of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme,¹³ in particular paragraph 3 thereof requesting the Executive Director of the Programme to assist developing countries in developing and strengthening their capabilities for evaluating chemicals, foods, drugs and cosmetics being distributed within their countries,

Realizing the need to co-ordinate the work of the United Nations system in respect of the protection of individual consumers,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination entitled "Activities of the United Nations system related to consumer protection";¹⁴

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, and to submit to the Council at its sixty-fifth session, a survey illustrative of the range of institutional and legal arrangements existing in the field of individual consumer protection at the national level, with a view to identifying needs for co-operation and assistance in this field that may be provided at their request to the countries concerned, particularly developing countries, and to prepare this survey within existing resources and in doing so to consult the agencies, organizations and bodies concerned within the United Nations system and to bear in mind the studies already made and under preparation.

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¹³ See UNEP/GC/106 and Corr.1 (transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6023), annex I; for the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/32/25)*.

¹⁴ E/5996.

DECISIONS

244 (LXIII). Invitation to the Holy See to attend sessions of the regional commissions

At its 2078th meeting, on 22 July 1977, the Council decided to recommend the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the Economic Commission for Latin America, the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Western Asia to invite the Holy See to attend sessions of these commissions on a basis similar to that provided for in the relevant terms of reference applicable to States Members of the United Nations not members of the commissions.

245 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Europe

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note with satisfaction of the report of the Economic Commission for Europe for the period 10 April 1976

to 30 April 1977,¹⁵ of the views expressed during the discussions in the Commission, of the resolutions and other decisions adopted by the Commission at its thirty-second session, contained in parts III and IV of that report, and of the Commission's programme of work contained in part V thereof.

246 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note with satisfaction of the report of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific for the period 3 April 1976 to 30 April 1977,¹⁶ of the recommendations and resolutions contained in chapters II and III

¹⁵ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplements Nos. 9 and 9A (E/5944 and Add.1)*.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 8 (E/5943).

of the report, and of the Commission's programme of work contained in chapter IV thereof.

247 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Latin America

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council decided:

(a) To take note with satisfaction of the report of the Economic Commission for Latin America covering the period 7 May 1976 to 6 May 1977,¹⁷ of the resolutions and recommendations therein, and also of the Commission's programme of work contained in volume II thereof;¹⁸

(b) To note with satisfaction the work done by the secretariat in fulfilment of the mandates received at the Commission's sixteenth session.

248 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note with satisfaction of the report of the Economic Commission for Western Asia on its fourth session,¹⁹ of resolutions 41 (IV) and 42 (IV) relating to its work programme,²⁰ and of the Commission's programme of work contained in volume II of the report.

249 (LXIII). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Africa

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note with satisfaction of the report of the Economic Commission for Africa for the period 1 March 1976 to 3 March 1977,²¹ of the recommendations and resolutions contained in parts II and III of that report, and of the Commission's programme of work contained in part IV thereof.

250 (LXIII). Report on the meetings of the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note of the annual report of the Secretary-General on the meetings of the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions.²²

251 (LXIII). Report on the strengthening of the regional commissions for regional and interregional co-operation

At its 2079th meeting, on 25 July 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General entitled

"Strengthening of the regional commissions for regional and interregional co-operation",²³ submitted to the Council pursuant to paragraph 7 of its resolution 2043 (LXI) of 5 August 1976 on that subject.

252 (LXIII). Assistance in emergency situations

At its 2083rd meeting, on 29 July 1977, the Council:

(a) Took note of the statements made on behalf of the Secretary-General on assistance in emergency situations;²⁴

(b) Took note of the observations made regarding Angola, Cape Verde, the Comoros and Sao Tome and Principe in the report of the Committee for Development Planning on its thirteenth session;²⁵

(c) Decided to recommend that the Secretary-General continue his efforts to mobilize further assistance from Member States and the United Nations system for the four countries mentioned above, in compliance with General Assembly resolutions 31/17 of 24 November 1976, 31/42 of 1 December 1976, and 31/187 and 31/188 of 21 December 1976.

276 (LXIII). Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided to transmit the annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees²⁶ to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

277 (LXIII). Report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on expenditures of the United Nations system in relation to programmes

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on expenditures of the United Nations system in relation to programmes.²⁷

282 (LXIII). Summary of programme budget implications of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council during its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General containing the summary of programme budget implications of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council during its sixty-second and sixty-third sessions.²⁸

²³ E/5998.

²⁴ See E/SR.2081.

²⁵ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 4* (E/5939 and Corr.1), paras. 82 and 83.

²⁶ E/5987. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 12* (A/32/12).

²⁷ E/6012.

²⁸ E/6051.

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, *Supplements Nos. 11 and 11A* (E/5945 and Add.1).

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 11A* (E/5945/Add.1).

¹⁹ *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 10* (E/5969) and E/5969/Add.1.

²⁰ *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 10* (E/5969), chap. III.

²¹ *Ibid.*, *Supplements Nos. 7 and 7A* (E/5941 and Add.1).

²² E/5997.

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORTS OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

2112 (LXIII). Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its fifth session

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the work of its fifth session²⁹ and the recommendations contained therein, including those submitted by the Governing Council in its capacity as the intergovernmental preparatory body for the United Nations Conference on Desertification,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its fifth session and also the statement made thereon by the Executive Director of the Programme at the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council;³⁰

2. *Invites* the General Assembly to approve the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its fifth session.

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2113 (LXIII). Convening of the conference of plenipotentiaries on the constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a specialized agency

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/161 of 21 December 1976,

Taking into account the importance of the role of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in industrial development within the United Nations system and especially its role in increasing the industrial capacity of the developing countries,

Noting paragraph 184 of the report of the Industrial Development Board on its eleventh session,³¹ which refers to the convening of a conference of plenipotentiaries on the establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a specialized agency,

²⁹ UNEP/GC/106 and Corr.1; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6023. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/32/25)*.

³⁰ See E/AC.6/SR.788.

³¹ ID/B/193; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6022. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/32/16)*.

Noting also the proposal of the Secretary-General that the conference of plenipotentiaries should be held at United Nations Headquarters from 29 August to 12 September 1977,

Taking into account the preparatory work necessary for the resumed thirty-first session of the General Assembly commencing 13 September 1977 and the importance of this work for both the resumed thirty-first session and the thirty-second regular session of the General Assembly in 1977,

Concerned that everything possible should be done to facilitate adequate preparation and full participation by Governments in the conference of plenipotentiaries,

Considering that a minimum period of three weeks would be necessary for negotiating and drafting a constitution for the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, taking into account the nature of the problems still outstanding,

1. *Expresses the view* that in the present circumstances the dates proposed by the Secretary-General would not be practicable;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly should give due consideration to this matter at its thirty-second session and fix the appropriate dates for convening the conference of plenipotentiaries at United Nations Headquarters in the early part of 1978.

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4 August 1977*

2114 (LXIII). Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council: A Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the World Food Council on its Third Ministerial session, held at Manila from 20 to 24 June 1977,³²

Having heard the report of the President of the World Food Council,³³ made in accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2037 (LXI) of 5 August 1976,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the report of the World Food Council and submits it to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, in accordance with paragraph

³² WFC/50; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6025. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/32/19)*.

³³ See E/AC.6/SR.794.

7 of General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974;

2. *Endorses* the "Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council: A Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition",³⁴

3. *Commends* the World Food Council for the important initiatives it has taken, as embodied in the Manila Communiqué, *inter alia*, for increasing food production in the developing countries, improving and ensuring world food security, expanding and improving food aid programmes, improving human nutrition and liberalizing and improving food trade;

4. *Recommends* that the General Assembly adopt the "Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition" contained in the Manila Communiqué and urge all Governments, specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system to implement the Programme fully.

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2115 (LXIII). Follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan on integrated water resources development and management adopted by the United Nations Water Conference

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind resolution VIII of the United Nations Water Conference,³⁵

Recognizing the imperative need for accelerated progress in the investigation and development of water resources, and the difficulties in the area of co-ordination which affect United Nations bodies in the execution of their tasks relative to water resources,

Further recognizing the central role which the Committee on Natural Resources and the regional commissions within their respective regions should play in the promotion of intergovernmental co-operation in the follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan³⁶ on integrated water resources development and management, as recommended by the United Nations Water Conference,

1. *Calls* upon the regional commissions to convene regional meetings to obtain the views of States Members of the United Nations on the follow-up to the United Nations Water Conference, and on the opportunities, needs and problems with respect to carrying out the recommendations of the Conference at the regional level;

2. *Calls* upon the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Environment Co-ordination Board to develop in greater detail the administrative and financial aspects of the proposals contained in their

³⁴ WFC/50, chap. I.

³⁵ See *Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12), p. 78.

³⁶ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

report on present and future activities of the United Nations system in water resources development;³⁷

3. *Decides* to convene a special session of the Committee on Natural Resources, in order to decide on further steps to secure the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan on integrated water resources development; this special session, to be convened after the conclusion of the regional meetings referred to in paragraph 1 above, should be of no more than eight working days' duration and should take into account the observations of the regional meetings and the report to be prepared as requested in paragraph 2 above;

4. *Calls* upon the Committee on Natural Resources to provide for continued intergovernmental review and oversight of the follow-up to the United Nations Water Conference by the international organizations concerned in the field of water.

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4 August 1977

2116 (LXIII). Co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources development

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the important role of the Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1535 (LXIX) of 27 July 1970 entitled "Development of natural resources", in proposing recommendations to the Council in the programming and co-ordination of the activities in the United Nations system in the field of natural resources,

Emphasizing the need for the effective co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the field of natural resources, in order to avoid unnecessary constraints on the scarce human and financial resources of the United Nations system and its capacity for supporting the developing countries in their development efforts,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Environment Co-ordination Board on present and future activities of the United Nations system in water resources development³⁸ and the report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive plan of action for and co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources development,³⁹ and of the comments made on these reports;

2. *Reaffirms* paragraph 2 of Council resolution 1957 B (LIX) of 25 July 1975, and in particular subparagraphs (c) and (d) thereof;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the reports to be prepared pursuant to Council resolution 1957 B (LIX) a detailed analysis of the current and

³⁷ E/CONF.70/CBP/4 and Add.1 and 2.

³⁸ *Ibid.*

³⁹ E/C.7/74 and Add.1-3.

planned programme activities in the field of natural resources, in order to enable the Committee on Natural Resources to perform its task of co-ordination effectively.

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2117 (LXIII). Evaluation of prospects for the development of chromium ores

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the importance of natural resources for world economic development,

Recalling the minerals which are identified in the Integrated Programme for Commodities⁴⁰ currently under discussion in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

Taking into account the work of the International Geological Correlation Programme, of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, on ophiolites (i.e. rocks potentially containing chromium), and noting the greater availability of information on common base metals such as copper, lead, nickel and zinc,

Requests the Secretary-General to prepare for the sixth session of the Committee on Natural Resources a comprehensive report assessing the prospects for the development of chromium ores, and also the demand for chromium over the next 10 to 15 years; in the report, special attention should be paid to measures that might be undertaken to evaluate prospective deposits in developing countries.

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2118 (LXIII). Study, development and use of coal resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1954 (LIX) of 25 July 1975 on problems of availability and supply of natural resources, and particularly resolution 1954 A (LIX),

Conscious of the world-wide significance which energy and fuels have acquired in recent years, and of their effect on economic development, particularly that of the developing countries,

Commending the reports of the Secretary-General on coal⁴¹ and taking note of their findings,

⁴⁰ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, A.1, resolution 93 (IV) of 30 May 1976.

⁴¹ "Status and prospects of coal production and utilization in developed and developing countries: report of the Secretary-General" (E/C.7/67) and "Some technological and economic aspects of coal conversion into liquid and gaseous fuel and the use of coal in the chemical industry: report of the Secretary-General" (E/C.7/67/Add.1).

Recognizing the desirability of intensifying international co-operation in ensuring long-term supplies of energy in appropriate quantities and forms,

Noting the reports of the Secretary-General submitted to the Committee in pursuance of Council resolution 1954 C (LIX),

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3508 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 entitled "Examination of long-term trends in the economic development of the regions of the world",

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his work on long-term economic trends, to give special attention to long-term forecasts relating to energy and the main energy sources, and to countries' requirements and supplies, taking into account the possibility of using alternative energy sources;

2. *Recommends* to the Secretary-General that, in the joint efforts of all organizations of the United Nations system to develop energy sources alternative to oil and gas, high priority should be given to the evaluation of the prospects of using coal as a raw material both for producing liquid and gaseous fuel and for the chemical industry;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, taking into account the views of the executive secretariats of the regional commissions, the specialized agencies and also the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Development Programme, to submit an interim report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session:

(a) Presenting an assessment of the progress achieved in expanding the use of coal;

(b) Describing the present and anticipated scales of work on the evaluation of the prospects of using coal, as scheduled in the respective work programmes of those bodies;

(c) Presenting action proposals for practical measures for increasing the utilization and processing of coal and assisting countries in overcoming their energy problems, and at the same time taking into account environmental protection requirements;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure, as far as possible, that the above-mentioned problems are studied in detail at the planned international symposium on the evaluation and working of coal deposits, which is to be held no later than 1979.

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2119 (LXIII). New and renewable energy resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that the remaining decades of this century represent a period of transition from a world economy largely based on oil to one based on alternative, new and renewable sources of energy,

Bearing in mind the long lead times required to develop and harness alternative new sources of energy,

Recalling that the United Nations has pioneered the promotion and development of new sources of energy such as solar, geothermal and wind power and convened the United Nations Conference on New Sources of Energy at Rome in 1961—the first major international conference on these new sources of energy, which provided a benchmark against which previous and subsequent progress is measured,

Aware of recent technical developments and those anticipated in the next few years in these and other new sources of energy such as biogas, tidal and wave power, oil shale and tar sands, among others,

Considering the vital role renewable forms of energy could play in the improvement of the living conditions of all the peoples of the developing countries,

Deeply concerned by the prevailing world energy situation and by the possibility of the early depletion of the non-renewable sources of energy because of over-reliance on these resources and their unplanned consumption,

Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and other United Nations bodies concerned, to submit a report to the Economic and Social Council, at its sixty-fifth session, on the feasibility of holding an international conference on new and renewable sources of energy such as solar, geothermal and wind power, biogas, and tidal and wave power, bearing in mind the particular situation of the developing countries.

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2120 (LXIII). Permanent sovereignty over natural resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling United Nations resolutions on permanent sovereignty over natural resources, and in particular General Assembly resolutions 3175 (XXVIII) of 17 December 1973, 3336 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, 3516 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and 31/186 of 21 December 1976,

1. *Expresses its concern* for the natural resources of territories subjected to foreign domination, colonial administration, alien occupation, *apartheid* or racial discrimination;

2. *Reaffirms* its desire to safeguard fully the inalienable rights of peoples and the permanent sovereignty of States over their natural resources within territories beyond their control and to ensure their right to restitution and full compensation for the exploitation of, and damage to, these natural resources;

3. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General on permanent sovereignty over natural resources;⁴²

⁴² E/C.7/66.

4. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To prepare progress reports for the Committee on Natural Resources at its regular sessions on the work being done in the field of the exercise of the inalienable rights of peoples and permanent sovereignty over natural resources in the territories subjected to foreign domination, colonial administration, alien occupation, *apartheid* or racial discrimination;

(b) To prepare reports providing detailed information on pertinent aspects of and relevant developments concerning the exercise by developing countries and peoples of their inalienable rights and of permanent sovereignty over their natural resources and to submit these reports to the Committee on Natural Resources at its regular sessions.

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2121 (LXIII). Report of the United Nations Water Conference

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3513 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and Council resolution 1979 (LIX) of 31 July 1975,

Recalling further General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Noting that the United Nations Water Conference held at Mar del Plata, Argentina, from 14 to 25 March 1977 took far-reaching decisions on the entire spectrum of the management and development of water resources, covering such aspects as the assessment of water resources, use and efficiency in different aspects, environment, health and pollution control, planning, management and institutional aspects, water legislation, education, training and research, and regional and international co-operation,

Considering that the decisions reached at the Conference call for urgent action and taking into account the provisions of Council resolution 2115 (LXIII),

1. *Approves* the report of the United Nations Water Conference⁴³ containing the Mar del Plata Action Plan⁴⁴ and the other decisions reached at the Conference;

2. *Expresses its gratitude* to the Government and people of Argentina for making possible the holding of the Conference and for their generous hospitality;

⁴³ *Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12).

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General of the Conference for the efficient preparation and organization of the Conference;

4. *Urges* Member States and all organizations of the United Nations system to take intensified and sustained action for the implementation of the decisions reached at the Conference;

5. *Recommends* to the General Assembly that it should approve the Mar del Plata Action Plan and the other decisions reached at the Conference, and give due priority to the measures needed to implement them;

6. *Recommends* that Governments should consider, where necessary, the desirability of designating national water committees or other suitable organizations to co-ordinate and monitor the implementation of the Conference's recommendations at the national level on the basis of detailed national action programmes, encompassing areas specified in the note by the Secretary-General on the recommendations of the United Nations Water Conference and follow-up action,⁴⁵ and recommends more popular involvement in the process of planning and decision-making towards the formulation of a national policy;

7. *Invites* the Committee on Natural Resources at its special session convened in accordance with Council resolution 2115 (LXIII) to review plans and programmes prepared at the national and regional levels and to decide on any further steps necessary to secure the implementation of the Mar del Plata Action Plan;

8. *Approves* the subjects suggested by the Secretary-General in section III of the note referred to in paragraph 6 above for discussion in regional meetings and at the special session of the Committee on Natural Resources;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To formulate, in accordance with the decisions reached at the United Nations Water Conference, proposals in respect of steps required (i) to enable the Council, the Committee on Natural Resources and the regional commissions to play the central role in the promotion of intergovernmental co-operation, and (ii) to intensify the co-ordination of activities of the United Nations system at the country level under the leadership of the resident representatives of the United Nations Development Programme;

(b) To make the necessary arrangements for an in-depth study of the implications of Conference resolution II on community water supply,⁴⁶ and the launching of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade recommended in paragraph 15 of the Mar del Plata Action Plan;⁴⁷

(c) To arrange for the preparation of an in-depth study, in co-operation with the appropriate organizations of the United Nations system and in consultation with Governments, of the most effective and flexible mechanism for increasing the flow of financial resources specifically for water development and management, covering the elements outlined in the note by the Secretary-General referred to in paragraph 6 above;

(d) To present the result of the special studies called for in subparagraphs (b) and (c) above to the Committee on Natural Resources at its special session;

(e) To make appropriate arrangements for organizing meetings of representatives of existing international river commissions, with a view to developing a dialogue between the different organizations on potential ways of promoting the exchange of their experience;

10. *Requests* the regional commissions to strengthen and intensify their responsibilities in the water sector and, to this end, to assign specific responsibilities to an existing intergovernmental committee within the regional commissions, or if necessary create a new one in accordance with the recommendations of the Conference and with resolution 1 (V) of the Committee on Natural Resources,⁴⁸ and to formulate their requirement for whatever additional resources may be necessary for this purpose;

11. *Further requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To make the necessary arrangements for the co-ordinated preparation and servicing of the special session of the Committee on Natural Resources, which will deal with a wide spectrum of water-related activities and complex studies, and to urge the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system concerned with water resources development to participate effectively and substantively in the preparation process;

(b) To transmit the relevant decisions of the United Nations Water Conference to the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development for further action to ensure that water management problems and the problems of appropriate technologies be given priority attention in the preliminary national and regional analysis undertaken in the preparation process for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, as well as by that Conference itself;

(c) To transmit the relevant recommendations and resolutions of the United Nations Water Conference to the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries and to the competent organizations dealing with the preparatory process for that Conference, with a view to future action and specific objectives in this area being defined;

12. *Recommends* that the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on Natural Resources Shared by Two or More States, of the United Nations Environment Programme, should expedite its work on draft principles of conduct in the field of the environment, for the guid-

⁴⁵ E/6015.

⁴⁶ *Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12), chap. I, p. 66.

⁴⁷ *Ibid.*, p. 14.

⁴⁸ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 2A* (E/6004), p. 6.

ance of States in the conservation and harmonious exploitation of natural resources shared by two or more States;

13. *Draws the attention* of the International Law Commission, with reference to Council resolution 1955 (LIX) of 25 July 1975, to the recommendation of the United Nations Water Conference requesting the International Law Commission to give a higher priority in its work programme to the codification of the law of the non-navigational uses of international water-courses and to co-ordinate its work with activities of other international bodies dealing with the development of the international law of waters, with a view to the early conclusion of an international convention;⁴⁹

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council, on the result of the special session of the Committee on Natural Resources.

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2122 (LXIII). Corrupt practices, particularly illicit payments, in international commercial transactions

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3514 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, which, *inter alia*, condemned all corrupt practices, including bribery, by transnational and other corporations, their intermediaries and others involved,

Recalling further Council resolution 2041 (LXI) of 5 August 1976, which established an *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group to conduct an examination of the problem of corrupt practices, in particular bribery, in international commercial transactions by transnational and other corporations, their intermediaries and others involved, to elaborate in detail the scope and content of an international agreement to prevent and eliminate illicit payments, in whatever form, in connexion with international commercial transactions as defined by the Working Group, and to submit a report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session,

Noting the report of the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group on the Problem of Corrupt Practices on its first, second, third and resumed third sessions,⁵⁰ submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session,

1. *Reaffirms* that the formulation of a code of conduct by the Commission on Transnational Corporations should be given the highest priority and that the conclusion of an international agreement on illicit payments should in no way interfere with or delay that priority;

⁴⁹ Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata, 14-25 March 1977 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12), chap. I, para. 93 (a), p. 53.

⁵⁰ E/6006.

2. *Urges* all States to use their best efforts to expedite the formulation of the code of conduct;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make adequate provisions for the necessary meetings of the Intergovernmental Working Group on a Code of Conduct;

4. *Decides*:

(a) To continue the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group on the Problem of Corrupt Practices, so that it may complete its task;

(b) To expand the membership of the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group to include all interested States, provided that the Working Group shall meet only if a quorum of four States from each interested geographical group is represented;

(c) That the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group shall meet as necessary in 1978, if at all possible at United Nations Headquarters in New York, in order to complete its task in accordance with its original mandate as contained in Council resolution 2041 (LXI);

5. *Decides* that the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group should draft an international agreement on illicit payments and, in this regard, consider all the issues defined in its report;

6. *Calls* on the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Working Group to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session and also to submit a report to the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its fourth session for its consideration and comments;

7. *Recommends* that the General Assembly decide, when it deems it appropriate, to convene a conference of plenipotentiaries, in order to conclude an international agreement on illicit payments.

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2123 (LXIII). Preparatory period for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 on the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 on the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, which laid the foundations for the establishment of a New International Economic Order,

Recalling also Council resolution 2034 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 and resolution 87 (IV) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development⁵¹ on the strengthening of the technological capacity of developing countries,

⁵¹ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, A.1.

Recalling further the Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation, adopted by the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,⁵²

Recalling further Council resolution 2028 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 on the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, particularly section II of paragraph 3, which stresses the importance and purpose of the preparatory period for the Conference at the national and regional levels,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 31/184 (XXXI) of 21 December 1976 on the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, paragraph 6 of which requests the Preparatory Committee for the Conference, taking into account the time needed for the regional and interregional preparatory meetings, to submit its proposals to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session,

Reaffirming the need for effective co-ordination at all levels during the preparatory period for the Conference.

Taking note of the report of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development on its first session,⁵³

1. *Strongly affirms*, bearing in mind Council resolution 2028 (LXI), that the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development and its preparatory period should be aimed at *inter alia* the development, through enhanced international co-operation in science and technology, of the independent scientific and technological capacity of developing countries, in order to facilitate the solution of their economic and social problems, in particular by the development of technological innovation circuits, understood as denoting the continuous process of production, distribution and absorption of technologies, and that the preparatory period should be fully utilized to those ends;

2. *Urges* the Secretary-General and the executive heads of agencies and organizations concerned to ensure the speedy adoption and implementation of practical measures aimed at co-ordinating the preparatory activities for the Conference, within the framework of existing machinery and in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/184;

3. *Invites* interested delegations to join with the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development in consultations with the Secretary-General of the Conference between the sessions of the Preparatory Committee and the Economic and Social Council, in order to facilitate the exchange of views and information about progress in the preparatory process;

4. *Calls* on the Secretary-General, in accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 3540 (XXX) of 17 December 1975, to submit to the Advisory Com-

mittee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions at the earliest possible time a request for the resources necessary in 1977, in order to ensure the earliest possible implementation of paragraphs 5 and 6 Council resolution 2035 (LXI) of 4 August 1976, together with his most up-to-date assessment of the resources required to assist Governments with the preparation of their national papers, taking into account paragraph 47 of the report of the Preparatory Committee on its first session and the provisions of Council resolution 2035 (LXI);

5. *Recommends further* that for the biennium 1978-1979 sufficient resources be allocated to the Conference secretariat, the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system concerned, in order to ensure the appropriate preparation of the Conference;

6. *Calls* upon the Secretary-General to make proposals to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session for the provision of adequate personnel for the Conference secretariat, and urges him to have due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution when making appointments at the level of senior officer; these proposals should take fully into account the work programme for the preparatory period and should include a delineation of the specific responsibilities of the Office of Science and Technology, as well as the responsibilities of the additional personnel seconded from the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Intellectual Property Organization and other bodies and organizations of the United Nations system;

7. *Calls* upon the Secretary-General, in connexion with the above, to make the necessary arrangements to facilitate the secondment of officials of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development and to ensure, through arrangements with other bodies and organizations of the United Nations system, the provision of the required personnel from these organizations;

8. *Stresses* the necessity of providing the regional commissions with adequate funds to carry out satisfactorily the responsibilities assigned to them in paragraphs 5 and 6 of decision 1 (I) of the Preparatory Committee,⁵⁴ in which regard due account should be taken of the peculiar circumstances of each region;

9. *Requests* the regional commissions to take fully into account, in preparing the regional papers, the decisions of subregional or regional meetings convened by Governments in other forums for regional co-operation;

10. *Requests* Governments to expedite their arrangements for the preparation of national papers in accordance with the guidelines for the preparation of national papers as adopted by the Preparatory Committee in its decision 2 (I),⁵⁵ so that the deadlines indicated in section

⁵² United Nations Industrial Development Organization, *Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation* (Vienna, 1975) (publication PI/38).

⁵³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 43 (A/32/43)*.

⁵⁴ *Ibid.*, annex II.

⁵⁵ *Ibid.*

G of its decision 1 (I) entitled "Chronology of preparatory activities for the Conference" may be respected;

11. *Requests further* that, with respect to the Latin American region, the Economic Commission for Latin America should co-ordinate all the activities pertaining to the preparations for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development with the Latin American Economic System;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his report on the preparatory work for the Conference, to be submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, a section on the implementation of the present resolution.

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2124 (LXIII). Special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the decisions and recommendations concerning special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in its resolutions 62 (III) of 19 May 1972⁵⁶ and 98 (IV) of 31 May 1976,⁵⁷

Recognizing that, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolutions, assistance to the least developed among the developing countries should be supplementary to the general measures applicable to all developing countries,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3214 (XXIX) of 6 November 1974, which, *inter alia*, urges Member States and organizations of the United Nations system to intensify urgently their efforts in favour of the least developed among the developing countries, including those in the field of trade,

Recalling further resolution 2 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development Intergovernmental Group on the Least Developed Countries⁵⁸ concerning special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries,

1. *Requests* the developed countries and all international organizations and financial institutions to increase the flow of financial and technical assistance to the least developed countries;

2. *Invites* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to provide increased resources to meet the special needs of the least developed among the developing countries;

⁵⁶ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.II.D.4), annex I, A.1.

⁵⁷ *Ibid.*, *Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, A.1.

⁵⁸ See *Official Records of the Trade and Development Board, Fifteenth Session, first part, Annexes*, agenda item 7, document TD/B/577, annex I.

3. *Urges* the developed countries and all international organizations and financial institutions to adopt special measures in favour of the least developed among the developing countries, as called for in United Nations Conference on Trade and Development resolutions 62 (III) and 98 (IV), and other relevant United Nations resolutions;

4. *Urges* the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and other United Nations bodies to strengthen their programmes further in favour of the least developed countries;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to convene at the earliest possible opportunity the special meeting at which multilateral and bilateral financial and technical assistance institutions can carry out, together with representatives of the least developed countries, a general review and assessment of their requirements and progress as called for in paragraph 35 of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development resolution 98 (IV);

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Member States, the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and other United Nations bodies, to submit, through the Economic and Social Council, a progress report on the implementation of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development resolutions 62 (III) and 98 (IV), other relevant United Nations resolutions and the present resolution to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session.

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2125 (LXIII). Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV) entitled "International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade", 3202 (S-VI) entitled "Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order", 3281 (XXIX) entitled "Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States" and 3362 (S-VII) entitled "Development and international economic co-operation"

The Economic and Social Council,

Aware of the importance of the challenging tasks stemming from the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,⁵⁹ the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order,⁶⁰ the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States⁶¹ and General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

⁵⁹ General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970.

⁶⁰ General Assembly resolution 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974.

⁶¹ General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974.

Believing in the crucial need for concerted national and international measures for the accelerated economic and social progress of all countries, in particular the developing countries,

Noting with concern the slow pace of the progress made in the search for solutions to the issues concerning the establishment of the New International Economic Order, and in particular the accelerated development of the developing countries.

Recognizing the urgency of invigorating policy action in the remaining time of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3486 (XXX) of 12 December 1975, by which the General Assembly decided to entrust the Economic and Social Council with the task of reviewing the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and recalling also article 34 of that Charter, by which the General Assembly decided to undertake its systematic and comprehensive consideration,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 31/182 of 21 December 1976 on preparations for a new international development strategy, and the role of the Committee for Development Planning and other organs and organizations of the United Nations concerned therein,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/178 of 21 December 1976 on the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV) entitled "International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade", 3202 (S-VI) entitled "Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order", 3281 (XXIX) entitled "Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States" and 3362 (S-VII) entitled "Development and international economic co-operation", in section II of which the Assembly decided, *inter alia*, to undertake during the course of its thirty-second session a detailed assessment of the progress made in the implementation of the above-mentioned resolutions,

I

1. *Expresses deep concern* at the slow pace of the progress made in achieving the aims and objectives of General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV) entitled "International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade", 3202 (S-VI) entitled "Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order", 3281 (XXIX) entitled "Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States" and 3362 (S-VII) entitled "Development and international economic co-operation";

2. *Urges* all countries, in particular the developed countries, to intensify their efforts through dialogues and negotiations in various forums of the United Nations system, in order to bring about speedy results in the establishment of the New International Economic Order;

3. *Takes note with interest* of the statements made by representatives of States at the Council's sixty-third

session on the reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States⁶² and requests the Secretary-General to submit those reports to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session for its consideration;

II

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Committee on Review and Appraisal on its fourth session⁶³ and transmits it to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session for consideration and action;

2. *Urges* all countries to renew their efforts to help to offset the shortfalls recorded so far in achieving the goals and objectives of the International Development Strategy, taking fully into account the aims of the sixth and seventh special sessions of the General Assembly.

3. *Urges* in particular the developed countries to adopt policies in favour of the developing countries that are fully in accord with the aims and objectives of the decisions of the General Assembly in the context of the Second United Nations Development Decade during the period 1970-1976:

III

1. *Welcomes* the decision of the Committee for Development Planning at its thirteenth session to direct its work for and at its fourteenth session to subjects that are relevant to the preparation of a new international development strategy;⁶⁴

2. *Affirms* that the new international development strategy should be directed towards the objective of the establishment of the New International Economic Order and within this framework should encompass results achieved at major United Nations meetings and conferences held during the Second United Nations Development Decade on world economic and social problems;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the bodies and organizations of the United Nations system concerned, to ensure that the technical work for a new international development strategy is completed before the end of 1978;

4. *Requests* the Committee for Development Planning to consider and identify possible elements for a new international development strategy, taking into account paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 31/182, and paragraph 3 of this section, and to submit its rec-

⁶² Report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved by Governments in the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (E/5999), report of the Secretary-General on activities conducted in connexion with the dissemination of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (E/5992), and report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved by selected United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and regional commissions in the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States in their respective fields of competence (E/5991 and Corr. 1).

⁶³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 6* (E/5994).

⁶⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (E/5939 and Corr.1), chap. IV.

ommendations to the intergovernmental machinery mentioned in paragraph 5 below;

5. *Recommends* the General Assembly to determine at its thirty-second session the appropriate intergovernmental machinery for the formulation of a new international development strategy, which would report to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.

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2126 (LXIII). Specific action in favour of developing island countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/156 of 21 December 1976, in paragraph 3 of which the Assembly called upon the Secretary-General to submit to it, through the Economic and Social Council, a progress report on the implementation of specific action in favour of developing island countries,

Regretting that insufficient time was available to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session for consideration of that progress report,⁶⁵

Recommends that the General Assembly at its thirty-second session give full consideration to the progress report of the Secretary-General, entitled "Progress in the implementation of specific action in favour of developing island countries", with a view to the stimulation of further attention to the need for specific action in favour of developing island countries, both by the organizations concerned within the United Nations system, and by all Governments, particularly those of developed countries.

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2127 (LXIII). Special measures related to the particular needs of the land-locked developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the decisions and recommendations concerning special measures related to the needs of the land-locked developing countries adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in its resolutions 63 (III) of 19 May 1972⁶⁶ and 98 (IV) of 31 May 1976,⁶⁷

Recalling Trade and Development Board resolution 109 (XIV) of 12 September 1974,⁶⁸ in which the Secretary-

⁶⁵ A/32/126.

⁶⁶ See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Third Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.II.D.4), annex I, A.1.

⁶⁷ *Ibid.*, *Fourth Session*, vol. I, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.II.D.10), part one, A.1.

⁶⁸ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 15* (A/9615/Rev.1), annex I.

General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development was requested to take appropriate and positive action on the relevant recommendations of the Group of Experts on the Transport Infrastructure for Land-locked Developing Countries,⁶⁹

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 31/157 of 21 December 1976, in paragraph 1 of which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the land-locked countries and the specialized agencies, to find ways and means of improving the economic situation of the land-locked developing countries through the urgent implementation of resolutions 63 (III) and 98 (IV) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

Noting General Assembly resolution 31/177 of 21 December 1976, by which the Assembly approved the Statute of the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries and requested the Secretary-General to convene a pledging conference for the Fund,

Recalling the provisions of General Assembly resolution 31/157 and other relevant United Nations resolutions with respect to the exercise of the right of the land-locked countries to free access to and from the sea and their right of freedom of transit,

Aware of the slow progress in the implementation of specific measures related to the needs of the land-locked developing countries,

1. *Reaffirms* the right of free access to and from the sea of the developing land-locked countries, and their right of freedom of transit;

2. *Urges* the developed countries and all international organizations and financial institutions to adopt special measures in favour of the land-locked developing countries, as called for in resolutions 63 (III) and 98 (IV) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

3. *Calls* upon Member States and the entire international community to give attention to the trade requirements of the land-locked developing countries, including transit facilities, in order that they may derive equitable benefits from international measures on behalf of all developing countries;

4. *Urges* the developed countries to make generous contributions to the United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries, in order to make it operational;

5. *Invites* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to provide adequate and increased resources to meet the technical assistance needs of the land-locked developing countries;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Member States,

⁶⁹ For the report of the Group of Experts, see *A transport strategy for land-locked developing countries* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.74.II.D.5).

the specialized agencies, the regional commissions and other United Nations bodies, to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council, a progress report on the implementation of resolutions 63 (III) and 98 (IV) of the United

Nations Conference on Trade and Development and other relevant United Nations resolutions.

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DECISIONS

264 (LXIII). Specific measures to meet the need for a decent living environment for the most vulnerable groups of society

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the request contained in paragraph 4 of the note by the Secretary-General on specific measures to meet the need for a decent living environment for the most vulnerable groups of society⁷⁰ and decided to recommend that the report called for in paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 31/113 of 16 December 1976 be submitted to the Assembly at its thirty-third session through the Council at its sixty-fifth session.

265 (LXIII). Report of the Industrial Development Board and report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council:

(a) Took note with satisfaction of the report of the Industrial Development Board on its eleventh session,⁷¹ and in particular of its decisions IV (XI) concerning a co-operative programme of action on appropriate industrial technology and V (XI) on the establishment of an industrial and technological information bank;⁷²

(b) Took note with satisfaction of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on the strengthening of operational activities in the field of industrial development and on the reorganization of the secretariat of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization;⁷³

(c) Decided to transmit these reports to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

266 (LXIII). Report of the Board of Governors of the United Nations Special Fund

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Board of Governors of the United Nations Special Fund on its fourth session⁷⁴

⁷⁰ E/6017.

⁷¹ ID/B/193; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6022. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/32/16)*.

⁷² *Ibid.*, annex I.

⁷³ A/32/118.

⁷⁴ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/32/21)*.

and decided to transmit it to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

267 (LXIII). Progress achieved in dealing with food problems

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report by the Secretary-General and the President of the World Food Council on the progress achieved in dealing with food problems.⁷⁵

268 (LXIII). Transmittal of the second annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes and draft resolution on the target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1979-1980

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council, taking note of the second annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes,⁷⁶ decided:

(a) To transmit the report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session;

(b) To recommend to the General Assembly for its approval the draft resolution on the target for World Food Programme pledges for the period 1979-1980 contained in the annex to the report.

269 (LXIII). Report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the African Inter-Ministerial Committee for Food and relevant United Nations organizations and specialized agencies

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on co-operation between the African Inter-Ministerial Committee for Food and relevant United Nations organizations and specialized agencies.⁷⁷

270 (LXIII). Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its fifth session

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Committee on Natural

⁷⁵ E/6029.

⁷⁶ WFP/CFA:3/16; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6008.

⁷⁷ E/6007 and Corr.I.

Resources on its fifth session⁷⁸ and of the resolutions and decisions contained in section B of chapter I of the report.

271 (LXIII). Report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its resumed second session and its third session

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its resumed second session and its third session.⁷⁹

272 (LXIII). Various reports on matters related to science and technology for development

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of:

(a) The report of the Secretary-General on the state of preparations for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development;⁸⁰

(b) The report of the Secretary-General entitled "Institutional arrangements in the field of the transfer of technology: establishment of a network for the exchange of technological information",⁸¹ describing the work carried out by the Inter-Agency Task Force established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3507 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, and feasibility studies undertaken by organizations in the United Nations system, including the regional commissions, on the establishment of sectoral and regional technological information banks and/or other viable information systems;

(c) The report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on the establishment of an industrial technological information bank.⁸²

273 (LXIII). Review at the Economic and Social Council's organizational session for 1978 of the implications of Council resolution 2079 (LXII)

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided that its resolution 2079 (LXII) of 13 May 1977 entitled "Reinforcing the social development sector within the United Nations" should not be put into effect until such time as the Council had reviewed the implications of the resolution at its organizational session for 1978 in the light of the outcome of the work on

the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system.

274 (LXIII). Role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council, having considered the report of the Secretary-General entitled "The role of the public sector in promoting the economic development of developing countries",⁸³ prepared in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 3488 (XXX) of 12 December 1975, decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it should give further consideration to this matter at its thirty-second session and provide for the continued study of the subject.

275 (LXIII). Reports of the Secretary-General and the International Labour Organisation prepared in response to certain resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of:

(a) The report of the Secretary-General on the assessment of progress made in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and in development and international economic co-operation;⁸⁴

(b) The special report of the International Labour Organisation on the implementation of the Programme of Action adopted by the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour;⁸⁵

(c) The report of the Secretary-General on the co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations system in the implementation of the Programme of Action adopted by the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour;⁸⁶

(d) The report of the Secretary-General entitled "Projects on the practical application of a unified approach to development analysis and planning";⁸⁷

(e) The report of the Secretary-General entitled "Managing public finance for planned development".⁸⁸

⁷⁸ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 2A* (E/6004).

⁷⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/5986).

⁸⁰ E/6000.

⁸¹ E/6002 and Corr.1.

⁸² A/32/116.

⁸³ E/5985 and Corr.1.

⁸⁴ *Economic and Social Progress in the Second Development Decade* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.11).

⁸⁵ Transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6001.

⁸⁶ E/5970.

⁸⁷ E/5974.

⁸⁸ E/5942.

DECISIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORT OF THE *AD HOC* SESSIONAL COMMITTEE

DECISIONS

262 (LXIII). Institutional arrangements for international co-operation in the field of human settlements

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided, without prejudging the final position that Member States may take on the matter, to transmit the annexed draft resolution to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, as a text for further negotiation.

ANNEX

Institutional arrangements for international co-operation in the field of human settlements

The General Assembly,

Recalling relevant resolutions, in particular its resolutions 2718 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, 3001 (XXVII) of 15 December 1972 and 3327 (XXIX) of 16 December 1974,

Convinced of the need for urgent action to improve the quality of life of all people in human settlements,

Recognizing that such action is primarily the responsibility of Governments,

Conscious that human settlements problems represent a primary field of action in international co-operation, which should be strengthened in order that adequate solutions may be found, based on equity, justice and solidarity, especially among developing countries,

Recognizing that the international community should provide, both at the global and regional levels, encouragement and support to Governments determined to take effective action to ameliorate conditions, especially for the least advantaged, in rural and urban human settlements,

Recognizing that human settlements and the steps to be taken to improve them should be considered an essential component of socio-economic development,

Recalling the decisions of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, as well as the recommendations of the World Population Conference, the World Food Conference, the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the World Conference of the International Women's Year, the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order adopted by the General Assembly at its sixth special session and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, that establish the basis of the New International Economic Order,

Aware of the sectoral responsibilities of the organizations of the United Nations system,

Conscious of the need to achieve greater coherence and effectiveness in human settlements activities within the United Nations system,

Recognizing that new priorities should be identified and activities developed to reflect comprehensive and integrated approaches to the solution of human settlements problems,

Convinced that it is necessary to consolidate and strengthen promptly the capacity of the United Nations system in the field of human settlements,

Recognizing that urgent steps should be taken to ensure a better mobilization of financial resources at all levels, with a view to improving human settlements,

Believing that:

(a) The current level of resources available for development purposes, particularly for human settlements, is clearly inadequate,

(b) The effective development of human settlements has been hindered by great disparities in socio-economic development within and between countries,

(c) The establishment of a just and equitable world economic order through necessary changes in areas of international trade, monetary systems, industrialization, the transfer of resources, the transfer of technology and the consumption of world resources, is essential for socio-economic development and for the improvement of human settlements, particularly in developing countries,

1. International co-operation in the field of human settlements

1. Considers that:

(a) International co-operation in the field of human settlements should be viewed as an instrument of socio-economic development;

(b) The fundamental object of international co-operation for development is to support national action and therefore programmes for such co-operation in the field of human settlements should be based on the policies and priorities established in the recommendations for national action of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements;

(c) In seeking co-operation for development, countries should give due priority to human settlements;

(d) Requests for development assistance should not be subject to discrimination on the part of the institutions to which these requests are addressed;

(e) Technical co-operation should be made available to countries requesting assistance in policy formulation, management and institutional improvement relating to human settlements;

(f) Technical co-operation should be made available to developing countries requesting assistance in education and training and applied research relating to human settlements;

(g) Financial and technical co-operation for development should be accorded to countries requesting assistance for, *inter alia*, projects in self-help and co-operative housing, integrated rural development, water and transportation;

(h) All Governments should give serious consideration to making contributions as soon as possible to the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation established by virtue of General Assembly resolution 3327 (XXIX), in order to expedite action programmes in the field of human settlements;

(i) Emerging concepts and priorities regarding human settlements in developing countries present new challenges to the policies and capability of development assistance agencies in donor countries and to international bodies, and therefore multilateral and bilateral development assistance agencies should respond effectively to requests for assistance in the field of human settlements; special attention should be paid to the needs of the least advantaged countries, particularly in the provision of long-term low-interest mortgages and loans to facilitate the implementation of human settlements activities in the least developed countries that cannot fulfil existing terms and conditions;

(j) Information systems should be strengthened, where necessary, and better co-ordinated, and stronger links established at the regional level between human settlements and research institutions in different countries;

(k) Many international organizations carry out activities related to human settlements, and specialized agencies and other appropriate bodies, in particular the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Bank and the World Health Organization should consider seriously the recommendations of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, with a view to their implementation in their respective fields of competence;

II. Commission on Human Settlements

2. *Decides* that the Economic and Social Council should establish an intergovernmental Commission on Human Settlements, which will have 58 members to be elected for three-year terms on the following basis:

- (a) ... seats for African States;
- (b) ... seats for Asian States;
- (c) ... seats for Latin American States;
- (d) ... seats for Eastern European States;
- (e) ... seats for Western European and other States;

3. *Decides* that the Commission on Human Settlements will discharge *inter alia* the responsibilities at present exercised by the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning;

4. *Decides* that the Commission on Human Settlements will have the following main objectives:

- (a) To assist countries and regions in increasing and improving their own efforts to solve human settlements problems;
- (b) To promote greater international co-operation in order to increase the availability of resources of developing countries and regions;
- (c) To promote the integral concept of human settlements and a comprehensive approach to human settlements problems in all countries;
- (d) To strengthen co-operation and co-participation in this domain among all countries and regions;

5. *Decides* that the Commission on Human Settlements will have the following main functions and responsibilities:

- (a) To develop and promote policy objectives, priorities and guidelines regarding existing and planned programmes of work in the field of human settlements, as formulated in the recommendations of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements and subsequently endorsed by the General Assembly;
- (b) To follow closely the activities of the United Nations system and other international organizations in the field of human settlements and to propose, when appropriate, ways and means by which the over-all policy objectives and goals in the field of human settlements within the United Nations system might best be achieved;
- (c) To study, in the context of the Conference's recommendations for national action, new issues, problems and especially solutions in the field of human settlements, particularly those of a regional or international character;
- (d) To give over-all policy guidelines and carry out supervision of the operations of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation;
- (e) To review and approve periodically the utilization of funds at its disposal for carrying out human settlements activities at the global, regional and subregional levels;

(f) To provide over-all direction to the secretariat of the Centre referred to in section III below;

(g) To review and provide guidance on the programme of the United Nations Audio-Visual Information Centre on Human Settlements established by virtue of General Assembly resolution 31/115 of 16 December 1976;

6. *Decides* that the first session of the Commission on Human Settlements be held in the first half of 1978;

7. *Decides* that the Commission on Human Settlements will report to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;

III. Habitat, the Centre on Human Settlements

8. *Decides* that a small and effective secretariat shall be established in the United Nations to service the Commission on Human Settlements and to serve as a focal point for human settlements action and the co-ordination of activities within the United Nations system, to be named "Habitat, the Centre for Human Settlements", hereinafter referred to as "the Centre";

9. *Decides* that the Centre shall be headed by an Executive Director, who shall report to the Secretary-General;

10. *Decides* that the Executive Director shall be responsible for the management of the Centre, which shall comprise the posts and budgetary resources of the following:

(a) The Centre for Housing, Building and Planning of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs;

(b) The appropriate section of the Division of Economic and Social Programmes of the United Nations Environment Programme directly concerned with human settlements, with the exception of the posts required by that Programme to exercise its responsibilities for the environmental aspects and consequences of human settlements planning;

(c) The United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation;

(d) As appropriate, selected posts and associated resources from relevant parts of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs;

11. *Decides* that the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation shall be administered by the Executive Director referred to in paragraph 9 above and shall have the terms of reference set out in the annex to General Assembly resolution 3327 (XXIX), with appropriate amendments to reflect the new relationship to the Commission on Human Settlements and its secretariat;

12. *Decides* that the Centre, under the leadership of its Executive Director, shall be entrusted with the following responsibilities, among others:

(a) To ensure the harmonization at the inter-secretariat level of human settlements programmes planned and carried out by the United Nations system;

(b) To assist the Commission on Human Settlements in co-ordinating human settlements activities in the United Nations system, to keep them under review and to assess their effectiveness;

(c) To execute human settlements projects;

(d) To provide the focal point for a global exchange of information about human settlements;

(e) To provide substantive support to the Commission on Human Settlements;

(f) To deal with interregional human settlements matters;

(g) To supplement the resources of the regions in formulating and implementing human settlements projects when so required;

(h) To promote collaboration with, and the involvement of, the world scientific community concerned with human settlements;

(i) To establish and maintain a global directory of consultants and advisers to supplement the skills available within the system and to assist in the recruitment of experts at the global level, including those available in developing countries;

(j) To initiate public information activities on human settlements in co-operation with the Office of Public Information;

(k) To promote the further and continued use of audio-visual material relating to human settlements;

(l) To carry out the mandate and responsibilities previously assigned by the appropriate legislative bodies to the secretariat units to be absorbed in the central staff;

(m) To implement programmes until they are transferred to the regional organizations;

13. *Decides* that the Director of the United Nations Audio-Visual Information Centre on Human Settlement should report to the Executive Director;

14. *Decides* that there should be close links between the Centre and the United Nations Environment Programme, and that for this reason the location of the Centre should be at Nairobi;

15. *Decides* that during the period 1978-1980 a significant portion of all posts in the Centre will be assigned to the regions for work on regional human settlements questions;

IV. *Organization at the regional level*

16. *Recommends* that the regional commissions should consider the establishment of regional intergovernmental committees on human settlements, comprising all members, in cases where such committees do not already exist;

17. *Recommends* that such regional committees should be established as soon as possible and then co-ordinate their activities with those of the Commission on Human Settlements and report to it through the appropriate regional commissions;

18. *Recommends further* that the responsibility for implementing regional and subregional programmes should be gradually transferred to regional organizations;

19. *Recommends* that each regional committee should be served by a unit of the secretariat of the parent regional commission under an executive officer; these units should preferably be established as soon as possible and should be provided with the necessary resources for their operations;

20. *Decides* that the regional committees should be responsible for the formulation of regional and subregional policies and programmes and for their implementation;

21. *Recommends further* that the budgetary and personnel resources available to each regional secretariat unit should consist of those available from the regular budgetary resources and those redeployed from the aggregate posts available to the central secretariat, voluntary contributions, including those made to the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation, as well as selected resources currently available to each region;

22. *Recommends* that the principal functions of the regional secretariat units should be:

(a) To serve the regional committees referred to in paragraph 16 above;

(b) To review progress in the implementation of programmes within the regions;

(c) To promote the active collaboration of governmental representatives in activities related to human settlements;

(d) To assist Governments of countries in the region in the formulation of their requests for assistance from the appropriate bilateral and multilateral bodies;

(e) To establish close links with the appropriate financial institutions at the regional and global levels and with regional units of the specialized agencies;

(f) To formulate, implement and supervise regional and sub-regional programmes and projects, especially regional training programmes;

(g) To execute regional human settlements projects;

23. *Recommends* that the regional secretariat units, with the approval of the regional committees, should identify those national and regional institutions which are best able to provide services, training and assistance in research relating to human settlements;

V. *Terms of reference*

24. *Decides* that human settlements activities and programmes at both the global and regional levels should deal in particular with the following subject areas:

(a) Settlement policies and strategies;

(b) Settlement planning;

(c) Institutions and management;

(d) Shelter, infrastructure and services;

(e) Land;

(f) Public participation;

25. *Decides* that the formulation of global programme priorities within these broad subject areas shall be undertaken by the Commission on Human Settlements and that of regional programme priorities by the regional committees, on the basis of the needs and problems of the region and of the countries within the region;

26. *Recommends* that the following functions be considered on a priority basis, in relation to the subject areas mentioned in paragraph 24 above:

(a) Identification of the problems and possible solutions;

(b) The formulation and implementation of policies;

(c) Education and training;

(d) The identification, development and use of appropriate technology, as well as the limitation of hazardous technology;

(e) Exchange of information, including audio-visual information;

(f) Implementation machinery;

(g) Assistance in the mobilization of resources at the national and international levels;

VI. *Concerted action and co-ordination*

27. *Urges* in particular that the Executive Director of the Centre and the Bureau of the Commission on Human Settlements should meet bi-annually with the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and the Bureau of its Governing Council to review together their respective priorities and programmes for improving human settlements and to strengthen and extend co-operation between the two organizations;

28. *Urges also* that the Executive Director of the Centre and the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme should participate in and address the annual meetings of their governing bodies;

VII. *Working relations with financial institutions*

29. *Recommends* that the Centre and the secretariats of the regional commissions should establish working relations, as regards the question of human settlements, with the principal financial institutions at the regional and global levels;

30. *Recommends* that special co-operation should exist at the global, regional and national levels between the United Nations Development Programme and the Centre;

VIII. *Co-operation with organizations
outside the United Nations system*

31. *Recommends* that, at the global and regional levels, co-operation should be sought with universities, research and scientific institutes, non-governmental organizations and voluntary groups, in order to make full use of their knowledge and experience in the field of human settlements; at the intergovernmental level, this co-operation should be formalized and at the secretariat level it should be brought about by the establishment of appropriate working relations.

**263 (LXIII). Report of the Administrative Committee
on Co-ordination on activities of the United Nations
system in human settlements**

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on activities of the United Nations system in human settlements.⁸⁹

⁸⁹ E/AC.51/83 and Add.1.

**RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED ON THE REPORTS
OF THE POLICY AND PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE**

RESOLUTIONS

**2098 (LXIII). Programming and co-ordination
in the United Nations system**

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its seventeenth session⁹⁰ and the recommendations of the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination⁹¹ regarding co-ordination in the United Nations system,

Noting with satisfaction that the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination has considered the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979, as well as the evaluation reports on selected programme areas,

Noting the recommendation of the Joint Meetings in favour of a programme-sector-by-programme-sector approach to co-ordination, as envisaged in the terms of reference of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination,⁹²

Convinced that the further harmonization of programme budgets and medium-term planning in the United Nations system is desirable,

I

1. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination⁹³ and

⁹⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/32/38).*

⁹¹ See the report of the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the Joint Meetings of the two committees (E/6009 and Corr.1).

⁹² Council resolution 2008 (LX), annex.

⁹³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-second Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/32/38), chap. I.*

commends them to the organs and institutions of the United Nations system concerned, and recommends that the General Assembly act upon the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee in adopting the programme budget for the biennium 1978-1979, taking into account the discussion at the sixty-third session of the Council,⁹⁴

II

1. *Decides* to discontinue the submission of analytical summaries of the reports of the specialized agencies requested in its resolution 1458 (XLVII) of 8 August 1969 and related resolutions;

2. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination concerning in-depth studies on the basis of the programme-sector-by-programme-sector approach to co-ordination;

3. *Invites* the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to submit annually to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination the relevant elements and selected information for the selection of programme sectors to be reviewed in depth on a United Nations system-wide basis;

4. *Invites* the specialized agencies to co-operate actively, through the machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, in the preparation and timely submission of reports on United Nations system-wide programme sectors for consideration by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

⁹⁴ See E/AC.24/SR.621-625.

1. *Requests* the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to specify the obstacles involved in further harmonizing programme budgets and medium-term plans and to make proposals for overcoming them to the Council at its sixty-fifth session, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, with a view to deriving the maximum benefits from such harmonization;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to provide the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its eighteenth session with a compendium of introductions to the most recent programme budgets of agencies and organizations within the United Nations system;

3. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to consider the compendium's potential utility, together with that of the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on expenditures in relation to programmes, with a view to developing for Member States instruments for promoting United Nations system-wide harmonization of programme budgets and medium-term planning, as well as for providing a concise and informative survey of programmes and policy objectives pursued by the United Nations system;

4. *Requests* the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to give its views on the compendium for the purposes stated in paragraph 3 of this section, and on the way in which its value to Member States can be enhanced.

2804th plenary meeting
3 August 1977

2099 (LXIII). Co-operation in coastal area development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1802 (LV) of 7 August 1973 on marine co-operation and 1970 (LIX) of 30 July 1975 on uses of the sea and coastal area development,

Reaffirming that the rational use of marine resources and coastal areas is an essential component of national economic development and that the wider and more effective application of technological capabilities in developing countries is a prerequisite to this end,

Considering that the programme in this field proposed by the Secretary-General in his progress report on coastal area development and management and marine and coastal technology⁹⁵ is complementary to and will be integrated, as required, with related activities carried out by other organizations of the United Nations system,

Noting from the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1976/77 that the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System being devel-

oped jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission could be made fully responsive to system-wide needs in the field of coastal area development,⁹⁶

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to co-operate with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other competent United Nations organizations in the development of the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System, and to take full account of the requirement that identified information needs not at present dealt with by other information services within the United Nations system be met, in particular the need for an information referral service regarding coastal area development;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the competent organizations of the United Nations system to take or support such other measures as may be required to assist Governments in developing coastal areas and, in this connexion, to encourage more effective interaction between producers and users of marine and coastal technologies and to promote closer co-operation among developing countries in this field;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, using the co-ordination machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to report to the Council, as appropriate, on progress made in implementing the present resolution.

2084th plenary meeting
3 August 1977

2100 (LXIII). Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3210 (XXIX) of 14 October 1974, 3236 (XXIX) and 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and Council resolutions 1978 (LIX) of 31 July 1975 and 2026 (LXI) of 4 August 1976,

Taking into consideration the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people,⁹⁷

Bearing in mind the views expressed during the sixty-third session of the Council,

1. *Calls once more* upon the United Nations Development Programme, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to continue and to intensify, as a matter of urgency and in co-ordination with the Economic Commission for Western Asia, their efforts in identifying the social and economic needs of the Palestinian people;

2. *Urges* these agencies and organizations to consult and co-operate closely with the Palestine Liberation Organization, the representative of the Palestinian people, with a view to establishing and fully implementing concrete

⁹⁵ E/5971.

⁹⁶ E/5973, para. 102.

⁹⁷ E/6005 and Add.I.

projects to ensure the improvement of the social and economic conditions of the Palestinian people;

3. *Calls* upon agencies and organizations within the United Nations system that have not taken the necessary action in conformity with Council resolution 2026 (LXI) to do so as a matter of priority;

4. *Urges* the executive heads of the organizations and agencies concerned to formulate and submit to their respective governing and/or legislative bodies concrete proposals for ensuring, in co-operation with the Palestine Liberation Organization, the effective implementation of the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 above;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit annual report to the Council on the action taken by the agencies and organizations concerned and the results achieved.

2084th plenary meeting
3 August 1977

2101 (LXIII). Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General,⁹⁸ the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council,⁹⁹ and the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1976/77¹⁰⁰ concerning the item entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations",

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960, containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, and all other resolutions adopted by United Nations bodies on this subject, including in particular General Assembly resolution 31/30 of 29 November 1976 and Council resolution 2015 (LXI) of 3 August 1976,

Taking into account the Maputo Declaration in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and Programme of Action for the Liberation of Zimbabwe and Namibia,¹⁰¹ adopted by the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, held at Maputo from 16 to 21 May 1977,

Convinced that the struggle of the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia for self-determination and independence has entered its final and most crucial stage and that it is therefore incumbent upon the entire international community to undertake concerted international action in support of the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and their national liberation movements for the attainment of this goal,

Deeply conscious of the critical need of the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and of other colonial territories for concrete assistance from the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations in their struggle for liberation from colonial rule and in their efforts to consolidate their national independence,

Reaffirming the responsibility of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to take all effective measures, within their respective spheres of competence, to ensure the full and speedy implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies, particularly in the provision of moral and material assistance, on a priority basis, to the peoples of the colonial territories and their national liberation movements,

Noting with concern that, although progress has been maintained in the extension of assistance to refugees from the colonial territories in Africa, the action taken hitherto by the organizations and agencies concerned in the provision of assistance to the peoples of the territories through their national liberation movements still remains inadequate to meet the urgent and growing needs of those peoples,

Hopeful that closer contacts and consultations between the specialized agencies and United Nations institutions and the Organization of African Unity and the national liberation movements of the colonial territories will contribute to overcoming procedural and other difficulties which have impeded or delayed the implementation of some assistance programmes,

Expressing its appreciation to the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity for the continued co-operation and assistance extended by it to the organizations within the United Nations system in connexion with the implementation of the relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the President of the Economic and Social Council and endorses the observations and suggestions contained therein;

2. *Reaffirms* that the recognition by the General Assembly, the Security Council and other United Nations organs of the legitimacy of the struggle of colonial peoples to exercise their right to self-determination and independence entails, as a corollary, the extension by the United Nations system of organizations of all the necessary moral and material assistance to the peoples of the colonial territories and their national liberation movements;

3. *Endorses* the appeal addressed to the international community in the Maputo Declaration in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia to redouble its assistance to the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia and their national liberation movements during this crucial phase in their struggle for freedom and independence;

4. *Expresses its appreciation* to those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have continued to co-operate in varying

⁹⁸ A/32/87 and Add.1.

⁹⁹ E/6018 and Corr.1.

¹⁰⁰ E/5973.

¹⁰¹ See A/32/109 (part II)—S/12344 (part II).

degrees with the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity in the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies, and urges all the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to accelerate the full and speedy implementation of the relevant provisions of those resolutions;

5. *Expresses its concern* that the assistance extended so far by the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to the colonial peoples, particularly those of Zimbabwe and Namibia, and to their national liberation movements, is still far from adequate in relation to the actual needs of the peoples concerned;

6. *Urges* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in the light of the intensification of the liberation struggle in Zimbabwe and Namibia, to do everything possible as a matter of urgency to render increased assistance to the peoples of those territories and their national liberation movements in their struggle for liberation, and in particular, in consultation with the Organization of African Unity, to work out and implement as expeditiously as possible, concrete programmes of assistance within their fields of competence, with the active collaboration of the national liberation movements concerned;

7. *Urges further* those specialized agencies and organizations within the United Nations system which have not already done so to include in the agenda of the regular meetings of their governing bodies a separate item on the progress made by those organizations in their implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the other relevant United Nations resolutions;

8. *Requests* the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council, and bearing in mind the provisions of the Maputo Declaration, to continue to take all necessary measures to withhold any financial, economic, technical or other assistance to the Government of South Africa and the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia, to discontinue all support to them until they restore to the peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia their inalienable right to self-determination and independence, and to refrain from taking any action which might imply recognition of, or support for, the illegal domination of the territories by those régimes;

9. *Notes with satisfaction* the arrangements made by several specialized agencies and United Nations institutions which enable representatives of the national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity to participate fully as observers in the proceedings relating to matters concerning their respective countries, and calls upon those international institutions which have not yet done so to follow this example and make the necessary arrangements without delay;

10. *Recommends* that all Governments should intensify their efforts in the specialized agencies and other

organizations within the United Nations system of which they are members to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and other relevant resolutions of United Nations bodies and, in that connexion, should accord priority to the question of providing assistance on an emergency basis to peoples in the colonial territories and to their national liberation movements;

11. *Urges* the executive heads of the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system, having regard to the recommendations contained in paragraph 6 above, to formulate, with the active co-operation of the Organization of African Unity, and to submit, as a matter of priority, to their governing and legislative organs concrete proposals for the full implementation of the relevant United Nations decisions, in particular specific programmes of assistance to the peoples in the colonial territories and their national liberation movements;

12. *Draws the attention* of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to the present resolution and to the discussions on the subject at the sixty-third session of the Council;

13. *Requests* the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on this matter with the Chairman of the Special Committee and to report thereon to the Council;

14. *Decides* to keep this question under continuous review.

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2102 (LXIII). Measures to expedite international relief

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2816 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971 on assistance in cases of natural disaster and other disaster situations, which established the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and which, *inter alia*, recognized the need to ensure prompt, effective, and efficient responses in times of natural and other disaster situations that would bring to bear the resources of the United Nations system, prospective donor countries, and voluntary agencies,

Recalling further paragraph 1 (a) of Assembly resolution 2816 (XXVI), which authorized the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, on behalf of the Secretary-General, to establish and maintain the closest co-operation with all organizations concerned and to make all feasible advance arrangements with them for the purpose of ensuring the most effective assistance,

Recalling in particular paragraph 8 of the same resolution, which invited recipient Governments, *inter alia*, to appoint a single national disaster relief co-ordinator

to facilitate the receipt of international aid in times of emergency and to consider appropriate legislative or other measures to facilitate the receipt of aid, including overflight and landing rights,

Aware that obstacles and impediments to the speedy delivery of international relief assistance continue to come to the attention of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and of the League of Red Cross, Red Crescent and Red Lion and Sun Societies and other relief agencies,

Noting with satisfaction the annual report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator¹⁰² and the oral statement made by the Co-ordinator to the Council at its sixty-third session,¹⁰³

Noting in particular annex II of the report of the Secretary-General, containing a survey, prepared jointly by the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and the League of Red Cross, Red Crescent and Red Lion and Sun Societies, of obstacles and impediments to the delivery of international relief and the movement of relief personnel, based on the accumulated experience of a number of Governments and inter-governmental and voluntary agencies concerned with relief activities,

Noting further the recommendations made in that annex regarding measures for surmounting such obstacles and impediments, and the suggestions for further measures to expedite relief and the movement of relief personnel,

1. *Commends* the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator for his efforts on behalf of the victims of disasters;

2. *Requests* the Co-ordinator to continue these efforts and, in co-operation with Governments, United Nations bodies and appropriate intergovernmental organizations and voluntary agencies, and particularly the International Red Cross, to pay special attention to the promotion of measures designed to remove obstacles and to expedite international relief assistance, and to report on the progress made in this regard to the Council at its sixty-fifth session;

3. *Calls* upon Governments, intergovernmental agencies and non-governmental organizations concerned with relief operations to give due consideration to the implementation of the recommendations contained in annex II of the annual report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, with a view to the adoption of appropriate legislative, administrative or operational measures for the purpose of removing obstacles and expediting international relief assistance to the victims of disasters;

4. *Transmits* the annual report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Office of the United Nations

Disaster Relief Co-ordinator to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session.

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2103 (LXIII). Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, particularly General Assembly resolutions 3253 (XXIX) of 4 December 1974, 3512 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and 31/180 of 21 December 1976 and Council resolution 1918 (LVIII) of 5 May 1975,

Considering that the nature and scope of the needs of the countries of the Sudano-Sahelian region make it necessary for the international community to continue and to strengthen its action of solidarity in support of the recovery efforts and economic development of those countries,

Noting with appreciation the role played by the United Nations Sahelian Office in helping to combat the effects of the drought and to implement the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme adopted by the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel and to mobilize the necessary resources to finance priority projects,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region,¹⁰⁴

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General, which gives an account of the efforts made to implement the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* for the method of work adopted by the United Nations Sahelian Office and for the results achieved;

3. *Expresses its gratitude* to the Governments, United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals that have contributed to the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme drawn up by the States members of the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel;

4. *Urges* all Governments, United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations, private organizations and individuals to continue to respond favourably and on a continuing basis, either bilaterally or through the United Nations Sahelian Office or any other intermediary, to the requests made by the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel and by the Governments of the Sudano-Sahelian countries;

¹⁰² A/32/64 and Corr.1.

¹⁰³ See E/AC.24/SR.613.

¹⁰⁴ DP/252 and Corr.1.

5. *Urges also* Member States, particularly developed countries and those in a position to do so, to consider giving urgent financial and technical support to the current efforts in the evacuation of international relief materials from the port of Douala to the land-locked and drought-affected countries of the Sudano-Sahelian region;

6. *Requests* the United Nations Sahelian Office to continue its close co-operation with the Permanent Inter-State Committee on Drought Control in the Sahel and its efforts to ensure co-operation and co-ordination between the United Nations programmes and bodies, with a view to the implementation of medium-term and long-term assistance programmes;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to continue to report to the General Assembly through the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and the Economic and Social Council on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region.

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2104 (LXIII). Agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3503 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, Council resolution 2006 (LX) of 13 May 1976 and Council decision 241 (LXII) of 13 May 1977,

Having considered the text of the draft agreement prepared by the Council Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies and the Preparatory Commission for the International Fund for Agricultural Development for the purpose of bringing the Fund into relationship with the United Nations,¹⁰⁵

Recommends to the General Assembly that it should approve at its thirty-second session the text of the draft agreement set out in the annex to the present resolution.

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ANNEX

Draft relationship agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development

PREAMBLE

In accordance with the provisions of Articles 57 and 63 of the Charter of the United Nations and of section 1 of article 8 of the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural

Development (hereinafter called the "Agreement"), the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (hereinafter called the "Fund") agree as follows:

Article I

RECOGNITION

The United Nations recognizes the Fund as a specialized agency, operating in accordance with the Agreement concluded among its member States with the objective of mobilizing additional resources to be made available on concessional terms for agricultural development in developing member States.

Article II

RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION

1. Representatives of the United Nations shall be:

- (a) Entitled to attend, and to participate without vote in, meetings of the Governing Council of the Fund;
- (b) Invited to participate without vote in broad policy-making meetings of other organs and committees of the Fund.

2. Representatives of the Fund shall be:

- (a) Entitled to attend meetings of the General Assembly of the United Nations for purposes of consultation;
- (b) Entitled to attend, and to participate without vote in, meetings of the Main Committees and other organs of the General Assembly, in particular the World Food Council, as well as meetings of the Economic and Social Council and of the Trusteeship Council and of their respective subsidiary bodies dealing with matters in which the Fund has an interest.

3. Sufficient advance notice of these meetings and their agendas shall be given so that, in consultation, arrangements can be made for adequate representation.

4. Written statements presented by either organization to the other shall be distributed by the secretariat of the latter to the members of the appropriate bodies in accordance with their rules of procedure.

Article III

PROPOSAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Subject to such preliminary consultation as may be necessary, the Fund shall include in the provisional agenda of the appropriate organ of the Fund items proposed by the United Nations. Similarly, the Economic and Social Council and the World Food Council and their subsidiary bodies, as appropriate, shall include in their provisional agendas items proposed by the Fund.

Article IV

CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION

1. In view of the co-ordinating role and global responsibilities of the United Nations in promoting economic and social development and the need for positive and effective co-operation between the United Nations and the Fund, the Fund agrees to co-operate closely with the United Nations in making co-ordination of the policies and activities of the United Nations and those of the organs and agencies within the United Nations system fully effective. The Fund agrees further to participate in the work of the United Nations aimed at enhancing such co-operation and co-ordination, in particular through membership in the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, and, as appropriate, in the work of such other United Nations bodies as have been established or may be established for that purpose.

¹⁰⁵ E/6028, annex III.

2. In its financing operations, the Fund shall exercise its own independent judgement in accordance with the Agreement, taking fully into account the over-all policy guidelines established by the United Nations in the field of economic and social, and particularly agricultural development.

Article V

CONSULTATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Fund, having regard to the obligations of the United Nations to promote the objectives set forth in Article 55 of the Charter and the functions and powers of the United Nations and its appropriate organs, in particular to make recommendations for the co-ordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies, agrees to arrange for the consideration as soon as possible, by the appropriate organ of the Fund, of all formal recommendations which the United Nations may make to it.

2. The Fund agrees to enter into consultation with the United Nations upon request with respect to such recommendations, and in due course to report to the United Nations on the action taken by the Fund to give effect to such recommendations, or on the other results of their consideration.

Article VI

EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS

1. Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary between the United Nations and the Fund for the safeguarding of confidential material furnished to them by their members or other sources, full and prompt exchange of information and documents shall be made between the United Nations and the Fund.

2. Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of paragraph 1 of this article:

(a) The Fund agrees to transmit to the United Nations regular reports on the activities of the Fund;

(b) To the fullest extent practicable, the Fund agrees to furnish on request to the United Nations any special reports, studies, or information;

(c) The United Nations shall, upon request, furnish to the Fund such information as may be of special interest to the Fund.

Article VII

BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. The Fund recognizes the desirability of establishing close budgetary and financial co-operation in administrative matters with the United Nations, in order that the administrative operations of the United Nations and the agencies within the United Nations system shall be carried out in the most efficient and economical manner possible, and that the maximum measure of co-ordination and uniformity with respect to these operations shall be secured.

2. Any financial and budgetary arrangement entered into between the United Nations and the Fund shall be subject to the approval of the General Assembly of the United Nations and the Governing Council of the Fund.

3. The Fund shall transmit its administrative budget to the United Nations so as to enable the General Assembly to examine it and make recommendations, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 17 of the Charter of the United Nations.

Article VIII

ADMINISTRATIVE CO-OPERATION

1. The United Nations and the Fund recognize the desirability in the interest of administrative and technical uniformity and of the

most efficient use of personnel and resources, of avoiding, whenever possible, the establishment and operation of competitive or overlapping facilities and services among the United Nations and the specialized agencies.

2. Accordingly, the United Nations and the Fund shall consult together concerning the establishment and use of common administrative and technical services and facilities, in addition to those referred to in articles IV, V, IX, X and XII of the present agreement, in so far as the establishment and use of such services may from time to time be found practicable and appropriate.

3. The consultations referred to in this article shall be utilized to establish the most equitable manner of financing any special services or assistance furnished, on request, by the Fund to the United Nations or by the United Nations to the Fund.

Article IX

PERSONNEL ARRANGEMENTS

1. The Fund agrees to co-operate with the International Civil Service Commission on matters concerning the regulation and co-ordination of the conditions of service of staff.

2. The United Nations and the Fund agree:

(a) To consult together concerning matters of mutual interest relating to the employment of staff, with a view to securing as much uniformity in these matters as may be feasible;

(b) To co-operate in the interchange of staff when desirable, on a temporary or permanent basis;

(c) That the Fund may participate in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund in accordance with the Regulations of the Pension Fund.

3. The terms and conditions on which any facilities or services of the United Nations or the Fund in connexion with the matters referred to in this article are to be extended to the other shall, where necessary, be the subject of subsidiary agreements concluded for this purpose.

Article X

STATISTICAL SERVICES

1. The Fund recognizes the United Nations as the central agency for the collection, analysis, publication, standardization and improvement of statistics serving the general purposes of international organizations, without prejudice to the right of the Fund to concern itself with any statistics so far as they may be essential for its own purposes.

2. The United Nations and the Fund agree to strive for the maximum co-operation, the elimination of all undesirable duplication between them and the most efficient use of their technical personnel in their respective processes of collection, analysis, publication and dissemination of statistical information. They shall combine their efforts to secure the greatest possible usefulness and utilization of statistical information and to minimize the burden placed upon Governments and on other organizations from which such information may be collected.

3. The United Nations and the Fund agree to furnish each other promptly with all appropriate non-confidential statistical information.

4. The United Nations shall, in consultation with the Fund and other agencies within the United Nations system, continue to develop administrative instruments and procedures through which effective statistical co-operation may be secured among all these organizations.

Article XI

ASSISTANCE TO THE UNITED NATIONS

Within the field of its competence and based upon its Agreement, the Fund shall co-operate with and render such assistance to the United Nations as the latter may request under its Charter, particularly for the accomplishment of the principles and purposes set forth in Article 55 thereof.

Article XII

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

1. The United Nations and the Fund shall co-operate in the provision of technical assistance for agricultural development, shall avoid undesirable duplication of activities and services relating to such technical assistance and shall take such action as may be necessary to achieve the effective co-ordination of their technical assistance activities, within the framework of co-ordination machinery in the field of technical assistance.

2. Within the field of its competence, and based upon its relevant instruments, the Fund agrees to co-operate with the United Nations and its organs, as well as the agencies within the United Nations system, in promoting and facilitating the transfer of technology for food and agricultural development from developed to developing countries, the development of indigenous technology, and technical co-operation among developing countries in such a manner as to assist these countries in attaining their objectives in these fields.

Article XIII

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

1. The Fund shall furnish any information that may be requested by the International Court of Justice pursuant to Article 34 of the Statute of the Court.

2. The General Assembly of the United Nations authorizes the Fund to request advisory opinions of the International Court of Justice on legal questions arising within the scope of the Fund's activities, other than questions concerning the mutual relationships of the Fund and the United Nations or other specialized agencies. Such requests may be addressed to the Court by the Governing Council of the Fund, or by its Executive Board acting pursuant to an authorization by the Governing Council. The Fund shall inform the Economic and Social Council of any such request it addresses to the Court.

Article XIV

RELATIONS WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Fund shall inform the Economic and Social Council of any formal agreement which the Fund shall enter into with any specialized agency, and in particular agrees to inform the Council of the nature and scope of any such agreement before it is concluded.

Article XV

UNITED NATIONS LAISSEZ-PASSER

The officials of the Fund shall be entitled to use the laissez-passers of the United Nations in accordance with such special arrangements as may be concluded between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Fund.

Article XVI

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT

The Secretary-General of the United Nations and the President of the Fund may enter into such supplementary arrangements for

the implementation of the present agreement as may be found desirable.

Article XVII

AMENDMENT AND REVISION

The present agreement may be amended or revised by agreement between the United Nations and the Fund and any such amendment or revision shall come into force on approval by the General Assembly of the United Nations and the Governing Council of the Fund.

Article XVIII

ENTRY INTO FORCE

The present agreement shall enter into force on its approval by the General Assembly of the United Nations and the Governing Council of the Fund.

2105 (LXIII). International Year of the Child

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the progress report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund on preparations for the International Year of the Child, 1979,¹⁰⁶ prepared in response to paragraph 9 of General Assembly resolution 31/169 of 21 December 1976,

Convinced that, with adequate support from Governments and others concerned, the International Year of the Child could make a significant contribution to improving the lot of the children of the world, in particular those in developing countries,

Bearing in mind that the International Year of the Child could further promote the principles in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 1386 (XIV) of 20 November 1959,

Aware that the attainment of the objectives of the International Year of the Child would be further promoted by the establishment of a New International Economic Order, bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States contained in General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 and General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Noting that the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund has reviewed estimates of costs for the secretariat of the Year and for information activities during the period of approximately three years of preparation for and observance of the Year, to be financed from voluntary contributions of Governments,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for its commitment of \$3 million from the Fund's general resources¹⁰⁷ to assist developing countries with preparatory activities designed to improve services benefiting children in

¹⁰⁶ E/6010.

¹⁰⁷ *Ibid.*, para. 18.

connexion with their observance of the International Year of the Child;

2. *Commends* the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund for his efforts in the preparatory activities for the Year;

3. *Affirms* the need for intensified national and international action in preparation for the Year, as well as supporting action at the regional level;

4. *Appeals* to Governments that have not already announced pledges for the cost of the Year and are in a position to do so to make their pledges as soon as possible;

5. *Transmits* the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund to the General Assembly for consideration at its thirty-second session;

6. *Recommends* that the General Assembly respond favourably to the request of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund contained in the Board's report on its session held from 23 May to 3 June 1977,¹⁰⁸ and cited in paragraph 27 of the report of the Executive Director, to the effect that the General Assembly devote a special discussion to the International Year of the Child at both its thirty-third session in 1978 and its thirty-fourth session in 1979.

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2106 (LXIII). Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Intellectual Property Organization

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of General Assembly resolution 179 A (II) of 21 November 1947, by which the General Assembly approved the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies¹⁰⁹ and proposed it for acceptance by the specialized agencies and for accession by all Members of the United Nations and by any other State member of a specialized agency,

Noting that the Agreement between the United Nations and the World Intellectual Property Organization, by which the World Intellectual Property Organization was recognized as a specialized agency of the United Nations, was approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 3346 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974,

Noting also that section 35 of the Convention¹¹⁰ provides that the Secretary-General shall transmit to any specialized agency not mentioned by name in the Convention a draft annex recommended by the Economic and Social Council,

1. *Recommends* to the World Intellectual Property Organization the following draft annex:

¹⁰⁸ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/6014), para. 186 (c).*

¹⁰⁹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 33, p. 262.

¹¹⁰ *Ibid.*, p. 282.

"Draft annex

"WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION

"In their application to the World Intellectual Property Organization (hereinafter called 'the Organization'), the standard clauses shall operate subject to the following modifications:

"1. The privileges, immunities, exemptions and facilities referred to in article VI, section 21, of the standard clauses shall also be accorded to the Deputy Directors General of the Organization.

"2. (a) Experts (other than officials coming within the scope of article VI) serving on committees of, or performing missions for, the Organization shall be accorded the following privileges and immunities so far as is necessary for the effective exercise of their functions, including the time spent on journeys in connexion with service on such committees or missions:

"(i) Immunity from personal arrest or seizure of their personal baggage;

"(ii) In respect of words spoken or written or acts done by them in the performance of their official functions, immunity from legal process of every kind, such immunity to continue notwithstanding that the persons concerned are no longer serving on committees of, or employed on mission for, the Organization;

"(iii) The same facilities in respect of currency and exchange restrictions and in respect of their personal baggage as are accorded to officials of foreign Governments on temporary official missions;

"(iv) Inviolability for all papers and documents relating to the work on which they are engaged for the Organization;

"(v) For their communications with the Organization, the right to use codes and to receive documents and correspondence by courier or in sealed dispatch bags.

In connexion with (iv) and (v) above, the principle contained in the last sentence of section 12 of the standard clauses shall be applicable.

"(b) Privileges and immunities are granted to the experts referred to in subparagraph (a) above in the interests of the Organization and not for the personal benefit of the individuals themselves. The Organization shall have the right and duty to waive the immunity of any expert in any case where, in its opinion, the immunity would impede the course of justice and it can be waived without prejudice to the interests of the Organization";

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the recommendation in paragraph 1 above to the World Intellectual Property Organization.

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**2107 (LXIII). Institutional arrangements
relating to nutrition**

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the supplementary statement by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on institutional arrangements relating to nutrition,¹¹¹

Recognizing that policy decisions in the field of nutrition are a prerogative of Governments,

Considering that co-ordinated action in the field of nutrition in the United Nations system is of vital importance,

Believing that co-ordinated action by the secretariats of the system would contribute to this,

Recognizing that independent expertise could also be valuable,

Requests the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination:

(a) To implement the proposals contained in its supplementary statement in the light of the discussion of this issue at the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council and the clarifications made by the Under-Secretary-General for Inter-Agency Affairs and Co-ordination during the debate, bearing in mind that the new arrangements have no additional financial implications and that the World Food Council and other organizations concerned should take an active part in these arrangements;

(b) To ensure that important substantive studies and recommendations in the field of nutrition are made available to Member States and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-seventh session on the progress achieved in this field under the new arrangements.

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**2108 (LXIII). International Year
for Science and Technology for Development**

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of resolution 2.112 concerning an "International Year for Science and Technology" adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its nineteenth session,¹¹²

Recalling Council resolution 1800 (LV) of 7 August 1973, in which it requested intergovernmental organizations within the United Nations system to proclaim international years only on the most important occasions and invited them to notify the Council of proposals to this end before a final decision is taken, it being understood that they should be before the Council at least two years prior thereto,

¹¹¹ E/5968.

¹¹² United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, *Records of the General Conference, Nineteenth Session*, vol. I, *Resolutions*, p. 36.

Recognizing the vital role of science and technology in the development of developing countries,

Having considered the stage reached in the preparations for the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, to be held in 1979 pursuant to General Assembly resolution 31/184 of 21 December 1976,

Invites the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to take fully into account the objectives of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development, in order to make recommendations for consideration by the Economic and Social Council and by the General Assembly at its thirty-third session concerning the designation of an "International Year for Science and Technology for Development" geared to the special interests of developing countries in the field of science and technology.

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**2109 (LXIII). Report of the Executive Board
of the United Nations Children's Fund**

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held at Manila from 23 May to 3 June 1977,¹¹³

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/167 of 21 December 1976, which, *inter alia*, recognizes that the provision of basic services for children constitutes an important aspect in the development process, and expresses the conviction that the basic services concept and strategy provide guidelines for future action by the United Nations Children's Fund which are equally appropriate for adoption by other agencies and authorities concerned with the promotion of programmes for human development in developing countries,

Noting with appreciation that the basic services approach has become a unifying theme for the Fund's work, without more traditional assistance programmes being neglected, and that the Executive Board is giving close attention to the action required in the implementation of that approach through its consideration of such subjects as community involvement in primary health care,

Noting with approval the other actions of the Executive Board as recorded in its report, especially its careful review of the programmes assisted by the Fund and its assessment of steps taken to improve continually the management of the Fund, including appropriate co-ordination with other organizations of the United Nations system concerned,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* that the basic services concept and approach is being increasingly applied to varying degrees in a number of developing countries and urges those that have not already done so to incorporate,

¹¹³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/6014).*

as appropriate, this concept and approach in their national development plans and strategies;

2. *Urges* developed countries and others in a position to do so to increase their voluntary contributions to the United Nations Children's Fund, so that it may reach the current target of \$200 million in annual revenue from all sources as soon as possible, and in this connexion draws attention to the Pledging Conference for the Fund scheduled for 3 November 1977;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Government of the Philippines for its generous hospitality in serving as host to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund at its session in May/June 1977.

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2110 (LXIII). Role and activities of the United Nations Development Programme

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its twenty-third¹¹⁴ and twenty-fourth¹¹⁵ sessions,

Noting with appreciation the action taken by the Governing Council and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in full consultation with Governments and the participating and executing agencies, to restore the financial position of the Programme,

Sharing the continued concern of the Governing Council for the need to ensure that the resources for programme purposes reach at least the target set forth for the second programming cycle, 1977-1981,

Recalling its resolution 2024 (LXI) of 4 August 1976, in which it requested in particular all international organizations participating in the United Nations development system to strengthen their mutual co-ordination, both between headquarters and in the recipient countries, with a view to improving the integration of technical assistance at the country level in keeping with the Consensus contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970,

Noting with approval the comprehensive consideration given by the Governing Council to the role and activities of the United Nations Development Programme,

1. *Endorses* the decision taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its twenty-fourth session on the role and activities of the Programme;¹¹⁶

2. *Decides* to bring this decision, reproduced in the annex to the present resolution, to the attention of the General Assembly for consideration at its thirty-second session and invites the organizations and programmes of

the United Nations system also to give it due consideration;

3. *Looks forward* to the further examination by the Governing Council of the role and activities of the United Nations Development Programme on the basis of the report which is to be prepared by the Administrator of the Programme;

4. *Appeals* to all Governments to increase their voluntary contributions to the maximum, with a view to achieving and, if possible, exceeding the over-all growth rate of 14 per cent on which indicative planning figures for the second programming cycle, 1977-1981, are predicated.

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ANNEX

Decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

The Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,

Taking note of the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the role and activities of the Programme (DP/261) and of the observations made by members of the Governing Council during the consideration of that question and noting also the observations made by the agencies in the Council's deliberations,

Noting with appreciation the extensive efforts of the Administrator to associate the participating and executing agencies in the discussion of the Programme's role and activities,

Recalling the decisions of the General Assembly at its sixth and seventh special sessions calling for the establishment of a New International Economic Order,

Taking note that Governments, in national and international forums, have reiterated their commitment to accelerate the social and economic development of developing countries, in order to eliminate the injustice and inequality which afflict vast sections of humanity,

Emphasizing the need to expedite the implementation of the new dimensions in technical co-operation as defined at its twentieth session and the promotion of technical co-operation among developing countries,

Stressing the importance of obtaining the resources necessary to meet the requirements of the indicative planning figures for the second programming cycle,

Re-emphasizing that it is imperative that the resources of the Programme should be utilized for the maximum and efficient delivery of technical co-operation services,

Reiterating the concern expressed at its twenty-second session about the improvement of headquarters and field co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system, including the role of the resident representatives in accordance with the Consensus of 1970, and taking note in particular of the decisions taken at that session on the quality and relevance of the Programme,

Reiterating also the need to ensure an integrated and interdisciplinary approach to operational activities, particularly in the field,

Recognizing the need for the continued development and strengthening of the Programme, in order to improve its work,

A. *Reaffirms* the validity of the Consensus of 1970;

¹¹⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5940).

¹¹⁵ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3A (E/6013/Rev.1).

¹¹⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 139.

B. *Reiterates* the sovereign right of Governments to determine their development priorities and objectives;

C. *Affirms* the following:

- (i) Multilateral technical co-operation should be directed clearly and exclusively towards the goal of the national and collective self-reliance of the developing countries;
- (ii) Technical assistance programmes of the United Nations Development Programme should be increasingly oriented towards bringing about tangible transfers of technology, skills and know-how to the developing countries;
- (iii) The conceptual goals of the new dimensions in technical co-operation and technical co-operation among developing countries should be translated into operational and concrete programmes covering the range of priorities established by the developing countries;
- (iv) The Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme should take all necessary measures to introduce more flexibility in the Programme, so as to enhance its dynamism and effectiveness and to make the scope of activities and working methods of the Programme more responsive to the changing needs and priorities emerging from new economic conditions in the developing countries;
- (v) The Programme and the specialized agencies should explore together, in active consultation with both donor and recipient Governments, how best the United Nations system could effectively assist the developing countries in meeting their development priorities and objectives with regard to technical co-operation, bearing in mind the need for increasing assistance for their priority programmes for the benefit of the poorer sectors;
- (vi) As the central funding body for technical co-operation in the United Nations system, the Programme should continue to mobilize resources for technical co-operation and manage them efficiently, so as to respond effectively to the development priorities and objectives of the developing countries;
- (vii) In order to maximize the effectiveness of the technical co-operation operations of the United Nations system, the Administrator should, in full co-operation with the participating and executing agencies, further develop existing functions in respect of the planning, appraisal and evaluation of operations of this kind carried out under individual programmes, consolidating them into a comprehensive system of analysis and feed-back, so as to ensure the optimal use of resources and a flexible system of programme management suited to each particular circumstance;
- (viii) The Administrator, in consultation with the executing agencies, particularly through the Inter-Agency Consultative Board and its subsidiary organs, should continue to explore the possibility of achieving harmonized financial, budgetary, personnel and planning procedures for the United Nations development system;
- (ix) Without prejudice to the universality of the Programme and its relevance to the needs of all developing countries, the Programme and the specialized agencies should continue their efforts to meet the special requirements of the least developed countries and the newly-independent countries;
- (x) The Programme should aim at further strengthening its universal character by utilizing the experience and capacities of the widest possible number of countries, in particular the developing countries, for technical co-operation in all its fields and geographical areas;

D. *Invites* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to continue discussions with the executing agencies, with a view to improving the substantive co-ordination of technical

co-operation on the basis of the Consensus of 1970, and by means of:

- (i) The progressive improvement of the country and inter-country programming process, including in particular the implementation phase, and the further study for this purpose of the recommendations of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit, in the light of the comments of members of the Governing Council, the Administrator and the executing agencies on this subject;
- (ii) The further improvement of co-ordination at the field level, with a view to strengthening the impact of the co-operation provided by the United Nations system in support of the development efforts of the developing countries, taking into account the role of the resident representatives as the leading partners within the United Nations system at the country level, as stipulated in the Consensus of 1970, endorsed by the General Assembly in its resolution 2688 (XXV);
- (iii) Where Governments so desire, in accordance with the Consensus of 1970, the expansion of the country programming framework;

E. *Appeals* to all Governments:

- (i) To increase their voluntary contribution to the maximum, with a view to achieving and, if possible, even exceeding the over-all growth rate of 14 per cent on which the indicative planning figures for the second programming cycle are predicated;
- (ii) To consider the possibility of giving indications of contributions over a period of several years;
- (iii) To contribute to maintaining the coherence of the United Nations system by avoiding the creation of new technical co-operation funds within the United Nations system if such co-operation can be adequately undertaken by the Programme and, wherever feasible, by bringing such existing funds within the framework of the United Nations Development Programme;
- (iv) To bear in mind the need for coherence in the United Nations development system, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 2688 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 and 31/171 of 21 December 1976, in connexion with their participation in the specialized agencies of the United Nations, including also their governing bodies;
- (v) To provide that any additional resources which accrue to the Programme over and above the projected resources for the second programming cycle should, by decision of the Governing Council in each case, be allocated either to the programme reserve to be used prudently for special and extraordinary purposes above the levels of the indicative planning figures or, if required, to the operational reserve to afford protection against financial difficulties in the future; this should be without prejudice to the decision to be taken on the expert variance account deficit during the mid-term review;

F. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme:

- (i) To invite, for informal discussions, interested Governments, with a view to the equitable sharing of the responsibility for providing resources for the Programme and with a view to achieving, if possible, a multi-year financial basis for the Programme for planning purposes, bearing in mind the voluntary nature of the programme resources and the over-all flow of real resources for development assistance;
- (ii) To accept additional contributions for cost sharing and third party cost sharing within given limits, prescribed in accordance with the relevant paragraphs of the report of the Budgetary and Finance Committee at the Governing Council's twenty-fourth session;

- (iii) To encourage recipient Governments which are in a position to do so to achieve net contributor status by either increasing their contributions or forgoing their indicative planning figures;
- (iv) To make every effort possible to reduce the administrative costs of the Programme, thereby making additional resources available for programmes and projects in the developing countries;

G. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, taking into account the foregoing considerations, to prepare a report for the twenty-fifth session of the Governing Council, to facilitate the further consideration of the role and activities of the United Nations Development Programme;

H. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session to give due consideration to this decision.

DECISIONS

253 (LXIII). Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council decided:

(a) To note with satisfaction that the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator had already concluded co-operation agreements with a number of specialized agencies;

(b) To request the Co-ordinator to continue his efforts, with a view to the rapid conclusion of such arrangements with all other appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, particularly with regard to disaster prevention, and to report thereon, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, to the Council at its sixty-fifth session, in order to achieve greater cohesion in the matter.

254 (LXIII). Draft agreement on co-operation and relationships between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council, having considered the note by the Secretary-General on the draft agreement between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization,¹¹⁷ prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution 2802 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971, decided to approve and transmit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session for final approval the following draft agreement:

Draft agreement on co-operation and relationships between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization

The General Assembly of the United Nations, in its resolution 2529 (XXIV) of 5 December 1969, decided, *inter alia*, that an agreement should be concluded which would establish close co-operation and relationships between the United Nations and the future World Tourism Organization, define the modalities of such co-operation and relationships and recognize the decisive and central role that the World Tourism Organization is to play in the

field of world tourism in co-operation with the existing machinery within the United Nations system.

Article 3, paragraph 3, of the Statutes of the World Tourism Organization provides that the World Tourism Organization, in order to establish its central role in the field of tourism, shall establish and maintain effective collaboration with the appropriate organs of the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

Therefore, the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization agree as follows:

Article I

RECOGNITION OF RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The United Nations recognizes the World Tourism Organization as being responsible for taking such action as may be appropriate under its Statutes for the accomplishment of the purposes set forth therein, with due regard to the competence and responsibilities of the United Nations and its organs and of the agencies within the United Nations system.

2. The United Nations takes note that the World Tourism Organization, in pursuing its aims, is concerned to pay particular attention to the interests of the developing countries in the field of tourism.

Article II

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

The World Tourism Organization, having regard to the obligations of the United Nations to promote the objectives set forth in Article 55 of the Charter of the United Nations, agrees to arrange for the submission as soon as possible to its General Assembly or its Executive Council, as appropriate, of all formal recommendations that the United Nations may make to it and, in due course, to report to the United Nations on the action taken by it or its members in order to give effect to such recommendations or on the other results of their consideration.

Article III

RELATIONSHIPS AND CO-ORDINATION

1. The United Nations and the World Tourism Organization agree to strive for the maximum co-operation and the elimination of unnecessary duplication between them in their respective activities related to tourism.

2. The United Nations and the World Tourism Organization agree that the activities of the World Tourism Organization and the activities in respect of or related to tourism of the United Nations and other organizations within the United Nations system shall be co-ordinated by the Economic and Social Council through consultations and recommendations. Intersecretariat co-ordination shall

¹¹⁷ E/5984.

be ensured through the machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, in the operation of which the World Tourism Organization shall participate in respect of matters of common interest.

3. The World Tourism Organization will seek separate arrangements for co-operation with individual agencies within the United Nations system engaged in tourism or tourism-related activities.

Article IV

RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION

1. The United Nations shall be invited to send representatives to attend in an observer capacity the meetings of the General Assembly and the Executive Council of the World Tourism Organization and any subsidiary bodies which may be established by the World Tourism Organization, as well as such conferences as the World Tourism Organization may convene, and to participate, with the approval of the body concerned and without the right to vote, in debates on questions of concern to the United Nations.

2. The World Tourism Organization shall be invited to send representatives to attend in an observer capacity meetings of the Economic and Social Council or its subsidiary organs, conferences convened by it and meetings of other United Nations bodies which deal with matters of common interest and to participate, with the approval of the body concerned and without the right to vote, in debates on questions of concern to the World Tourism Organization.

Article V

WRITTEN STATEMENTS

The United Nations may submit written statements to meetings of bodies of the World Tourism Organization and other meetings organized by it on matters of common interest which are relevant to the work of those bodies. The World Tourism Organization may submit written statements to the Economic and Social Council, to its subsidiary organs and to conferences convened by it, and also to the subsidiary organs of the General Assembly of the United Nations, on matters of common interest which are relevant to the work of those bodies.

Article VI

PROPOSAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Subject to such preliminary consultations as may be necessary, the secretariat of the World Tourism Organization may include in the provisional agenda of the General Assembly and the Executive Council of the World Tourism Organization items proposed to it by the United Nations. The Secretariat of the United Nations may include in the provisional agenda of the Economic and Social Council items proposed by the World Tourism Organization. In this connexion, the World Tourism Organization may make recommendations and proposals relating to international agreements to be drawn up in the field of tourism.

Article VII

EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS

Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary for the safeguarding of confidential material, a full and prompt exchange of information and documents on matters concerning tourism shall be made between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization. The World Tourism Organization agrees to transmit to the Economic and Social Council reports on its activities and programmes.

Article VIII

STATISTICAL SERVICES

1. The World Tourism Organization takes note that the United Nations is the central agency for the collection, analysis, publication, standardization and improvement of statistics on tourism as part of the statistics in respect of international travel, national accounting and other general statistical information.

2. The United Nations recognizes the World Tourism Organization as the appropriate organization for the collection, analysis, publication, standardization and improvement of statistics within the sphere of the World Tourism Organization, without prejudice to the right of the United Nations to concern itself with such statistics in so far as they may be essential for its own purposes or for the improvement of statistics throughout the world.

3. The United Nations and the World Tourism Organization agree to combine their efforts to secure the greatest possible usefulness and utilization of such statistical information and to minimize the burden placed upon national Governments and other organizations from which the information may be collected.

Article IX

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT

The Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization may enter into such supplementary arrangements for the implementation of this Agreement as may be found desirable.

Article X

ENTRY INTO FORCE AND REVISION OF THE AGREEMENT

1. This Agreement shall come into force upon its approval by the General Assembly of the United Nations and the General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization.

2. The Agreement may be amended or revised by agreement between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization, and such amendment or revision shall come into force upon approval by the General Assembly of the United Nations and the General Assembly of the World Tourism Organization.

255 (LXIII). Fifth replenishment of the International Development Association

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council took note of the statement made by the representative of the World Bank ¹¹⁸ in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 3387 (XXX) of 13 November 1975, on the results of the negotiations undertaken for the fifth replenishment of the International Development Association.

256 (LXIII). Analytical summaries of the reports of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, and the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1976/77

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council took note of:

¹¹⁸ See E/AC.24/SR.619.

(a) The analytical summaries of the reports of the specialized agencies¹¹⁹ and the International Atomic Energy Agency;¹²⁰

(b) The annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1976/77.¹²¹

257 (LXIII). Immediate needs resulting from economic emergency situations

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the Secretary-General on immediate needs resulting from economic emergency situations;¹²²

(b) Decided to transmit the report, together with the text of a draft resolution entitled "Assistance in economic emergency situations",¹²³ annexed hereto, to the General Assembly for consideration at its thirty-second session.

¹¹⁹ International Labour Office, "Thirty-first report of the International Labour Organisation to the United Nations" (Geneva, 1977), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5948; Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, "Report of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-third session: summary for the year 1976" (Rome, April 1977), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbols E/5949 and Corr.1; report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (E/5950); International Civil Aviation Organization, "Analytical summary of activities in 1976", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5952; World Health Organization, "Report of the World Health Organization: analytical summary, 1976", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5951; Universal Postal Union, "Analytical report on the work of the Universal Postal Union in 1976" (Berne, 1977), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5953; International Telecommunication Union, "Analytical summary of the report on the activities of the International Telecommunication Union in 1976 to the sixty-third session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council" (Geneva, 1977), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5954; World Meteorological Organization, "Analytical summary of the annual report of the World Meteorological Organization for 1976 submitted to the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Council", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5955; Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, "Analytical summary of the annual report of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, 1976/77", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5956; World Intellectual Property Organization, "Report of the World Intellectual Property Organization to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations at its sixty-third session: analytical summary for the year 1976" (Geneva, 1977), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5957.

¹²⁰ International Atomic Energy Agency, "International co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system: the Director-General's statement to the Economic and Social Council, July 1977", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/5958. The annual report of the Agency was submitted to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session under the symbol A/31/171.

¹²¹ E/5973.

¹²² E/5989.

¹²³ E/AC.24/L.550.

ANNEX

Assistance in economic emergency situations

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3510 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and Council decision 177 (LXI) of 5 August 1976, endorsed by Assembly decision 31/422C of 21 December 1976,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on immediate needs resulting from economic emergency situations (E/5989),

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3510 (XXX) of 15 December 1975 and Council decision 177 (LXI) of 5 August 1976, endorsed by Assembly decision 31/422C of 21 December 1976,

Recognizing that the international community should respond promptly and effectively to emergency situations during which serious disruptions of planned development occur or seem inevitable, with harmful economic and social effects, especially on the poorest strata of the population, and which have arisen through circumstances beyond the control of the countries concerned,

Reaffirming that the United Nations and its specialized agencies should act in such emergencies in a flexible, comprehensive and co-ordinated manner and convinced of the need to improve and systematize the procedures for dealing with emergencies so that immediate action is taken to offset their consequences,

Convinced also of the need to strengthen the capacity of the United Nations system to provide, at the country level, early warning of impending emergencies,

Recognizing also the various existing mechanisms, including the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, for the provision of assistance rendered by the United Nations system in emergency situations,

Recognizing further that arrangements are necessary to bring to bear in a co-ordinated manner the combined resources of the United Nations and its specialized agencies, taking into account the efforts of donor countries and voluntary agencies in assisting Governments at a time of emergency,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General on immediate needs resulting from economic emergency situations;

2. *Invites* the specialized agencies, the resident representatives of the United Nations Development Programme and other organizations, in co-operation with Governments, to co-operate in providing information concerning relevant developments in their respective fields of competence and to assist as necessary in the assessment of requirements and in the implementation of measures of remedial action requested by the Governments concerned;

3. *Urges* the United Nations Development Programme to ensure that, at the country level, the resident representatives, in co-operation with Governments, collect, co-ordinate and channel all information made available to them about impending or existing emergency situations and assist in the application of relief measures;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make, as necessary, administrative arrangements at United Nations Headquarters for the effective carrying out of the following functions:

(a) The compilation and evaluation of data provided by the monitoring system referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 above, the assessment, in co-operation with the appropriate specialized agencies, of the assistance required in economic emergency

situations and the provision of advance warning of potential emergencies to the Government or Governments concerned;

(b) The initiation of measures for the provision by the United Nations system of assistance to the Government or Governments concerned in an economic emergency situation, in co-operation with the appropriate specialized agencies;

(c) The establishment, through the designation of a lead agency or organization, as appropriate in the circumstances, of flexible and effective *ad hoc* mechanisms for co-ordinating the measures of remedial action to be taken by the United Nations and the appropriate specialized agencies in consultation with the Government or Governments concerned in response to their requests for emergency assistance;

(d) The provision of assistance in the mobilization of voluntary contributions from potential donor countries and voluntary agencies and the co-ordination of such aid with that provided by the United Nations and its specialized agencies;

(e) The provision of assistance, where necessary, in the co-ordination of the programmes of special emergency assistance which might be decided upon by the Economic and Social Council in the event of a proclamation of a state of emergency as envisaged in paragraph 5 below;

5. *Decides* that, if the characteristics of an emergency so warrant in the light of the activities foreseen under paragraph 4 (a) and (d) above, the Economic and Social Council may, at the request of the Government concerned, proclaim a state of emergency, if necessary at a special session convened in accordance with the Council's rules of procedure, and adopt a programme of special assistance commensurate with the magnitude of the emergency which prompted such a decision;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fifth session on the measures taken to set in motion the arrangements outlined in the present resolution;

7. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council to keep under review, on a regular basis, the activities undertaken by the United Nations and its specialized agencies in accordance with the present resolution.

258 (LXIII). Enlargement of the membership of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council decided to recommend that the General Assembly consider at its thirty-second session the question of enlarging the membership of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund.

259 (LXIII). United Nations Capital Development Fund

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the administrative expenses of the United Nations Capital Development Fund be met from voluntary contributions made to that Fund, in accordance with the request made by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its twenty-fourth session.¹²⁴

¹²⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 3A* (E/6013/Rev.1), para. 413, decision A, (r).

260 (LXIII). Second annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council took note of the second annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes.¹²⁵

261 (LXIII). Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

At its 2084th meeting, on 3 August 1977, the Council took note of:

(a) The report of the Joint Inspection Unit on fellowships in the United Nations system,¹²⁶ and the note by the Secretary-General containing the comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on that report;¹²⁷

(b) The report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Latin American integration: report on the technical co-operation provided by the United Nations system",¹²⁸ and the comments thereon;¹²⁹

(c) The report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Asia and the Pacific: a report on the technical co-operation provided by the United Nations system to the regional and subregional integration and co-operation movements",¹³⁰ and the comments made thereon.¹³¹

278 (LXIII). Arrangements for the review of non-governmental organizations in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 227 (LXII)

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council:

(a) Took note of paragraph 6 of the note by the Secretariat on the provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978 and 1979,¹³² and, with regard to subparagraph (b) of that paragraph, decided that, as a matter of exceptional priority, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations should implement at its next series of meetings in January 1978 the mandate established in Council decision 227 (LXII) of 13 May 1977 and Council resolutions 1296 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968 and 1919 (LVIII) of 5 May 1975, and should report thereon to the Council at its sixty-fourth session;

(b) In order to facilitate the task of the Committee, also decided:

(i) To request non-governmental organizations, through the Secretary-General, to submit their

¹²⁵ WFP/CFA:3/16; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council under the symbol E/6008.

¹²⁶ JIU/REP/76/1; transmitted to the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/31/101).

¹²⁷ E/AC.51/87.

¹²⁸ JIU/REP/76/3; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/5890).

¹²⁹ E/5890/Add.1-4.

¹³⁰ JIU/REP/76/9; transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/5959).

¹³¹ E/5959/Add.1-3.

¹³² E/L.1769 and Corr.1.

reports in pursuance of paragraph 40 (b) of the arrangements for consultation with non-governmental organizations set out in Council resolution 1296 (XLIV) in as many of the official languages of the United Nations as possible;

- (ii) To request the Secretary-General to invite interested Member States to provide any relevant information concerning compliance by non-governmental organizations with the principles governing their consultative status in accordance with the provisions of the arrangements set out in resolution 1296 (XLIV) (paragraphs 35, 36 and 40) and the provisions of resolution 1919 (LVIII);
- (iii) To increase the number of meetings of the Committee scheduled for January 1978 and for that purpose to amend the dates appearing in the provisional calendar of conferences so that those meetings would take place in New York from 16 to 27 January 1978.

279 (LXIII). Procedure for dealing with proposals for changes in the pattern of sessions of subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided to request its subsidiary bodies, before they submit proposals for changes in the established pattern of their sessions to the Council for its consideration, to seek the advice of the Committee on Conferences, through the Bureau of the Council, which shall make recommendations concerning the timing and co-ordination of the proposals.

280 (LXIII). Changes in the calendar of meetings for 1977

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided:

(a) That, pursuant to the recommendation communicated to the Secretariat by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries, the second session of the Preparatory Committee should be held from 19 to 23 September 1977, instead of from 12 to 16 September 1977;

(b) That the tenth session of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, scheduled to be held from 10 to 21 October 1977, should be postponed and that the matter should be reviewed at the Council's organizational session for 1978 in the light of the decisions of the General Assembly on the question of institutional arrangements for international co-operation in the field of human settlements;

(c) That the Intergovernmental Working Group on a Code of Conduct for Transnational Corporations should not meet from 29 August to 2 September 1977, and that its next sessions would be held from 6 to 17 February 1978 and from 20 to 31 March 1978.

281 (LXIII). Calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978 and 1979

At its 2085th meeting, on 4 August 1977, the Council decided:

(a) To approve the provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978 and 1979,¹³³ as amended in the light of the discussions held at the sixty-third session of the Council;

(b) To adopt, on a regular basis, a biennial cycle of meetings which would correspond to the programme budget cycle, for better administrative control;

(c) To authorize the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, in exceptional circumstances and when required on an *ad hoc* basis and without prejudice to the biennial cycle of meetings, to hold brief meetings—which would be additional to the Committee's regularly scheduled meetings—during sessions of the Council, in years when the Committee would not normally be meeting, using the meetings facilities allocated to the Council;

(d) To take note with satisfaction of the recommendation made by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its twenty-fourth session that the General Assembly should authorize a change in the basic pattern of sessions of the Governing Council.¹³⁴

¹³³ *Ibid.*

¹³⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 3A* (E/6013/Rev.1), para. 549

CHECK LIST OF RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS

NOTE. The resolutions and the decisions of the Economic and Social Council are numbered in separate series. This check list includes all the resolutions adopted and the decisions taken by the Council during its sixty-third session.

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2098 (LXIII)	Programming and co-ordination in the United Nations system	21	3 August 1977	24
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2100 (LXIII)	Assistance to the Palestinian people	23	3 August 1977	25
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2102 (LXIII)	Measures to expedite international relief	24	3 August 1977	27
2103 (LXIII)	Implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region	25	3 August 1977	28
2104 (LXIII)	Agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development	26	3 August 1977	29
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2113 (LXIII)	Convening of the conference of plenipotentiaries on the constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization as a specialized agency	13	4 August 1977	9
2114 (LXIII)	Manila Communiqué of the World Food Council: A Programme of Action to Eradicate Hunger and Malnutrition	18	4 August 1977	9
2115 (LXIII)	Follow-up to the Mar del Plata Action Plan on integrated water resources development and management adopted by the United Nations Water Conference	16	4 August 1977	10

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