

(i) continue to recruit experts of the highest calibre to assist the developing countries, not only from the developed countries but also from the developing countries themselves, particularly from within the region;

(j) promote increasing assistance, in close co-operation with other related agencies, to the developing countries, particularly in such fields as labour and management training and technical training of personnel, in order to lessen their dependence on foreign experts;

(k) increase its activities in serving as a technical agency to which developing countries can turn for assistance and advice in solving the many complex problems of industrialization, including maintenance of a selective roster of consulting firms, provision of advice and information on purchase of machinery, technological processes and project designs;

(l) strike a healthy balance between its operational and study or research activities, including consideration of international division of labour and identification of policy measures that would facilitate co-operation among developing countries and between them and developed countries, bearing in mind that the study and research programmes should always be field- and project-oriented;

(m) find ways and means of strengthening the links between preinvestment feasibility studies and sources of financing feasible industrial projects, particularly from regional and international financial institutions;

2. *Stresses* that the regional economic commissions, as the regional arms of the United Nations, should be increasingly used in the regional activities of UNIDO,

3. *Recommends* that UNIDO give all possible assistance in the implementation of industrial projects identified by AIDC;

4. *Requests* UNIDO to take the Tokyo and Kabul Declarations into consideration in its future activities in the ECAFE region;

5. *Expresses* the hope that the Executive Secretary of ECAFE and the Executive Director of UNIDO will examine at an early date the possibilities of establishing a joint ECAFE/UNIDO unit at the ECAFE secretariat to achieve closer co-ordination and to avoid duplication of activities;

6. *Calls upon* Governments of member countries and other United Nations agencies to co-operate in strengthening UNIDO and enable it to function more effectively as the central body for co-ordinating the activities of the members of the United Nations family in the field of industrial development.

442nd meeting,  
28 April 1971.

117 (XXVII). THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ASIAN CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,*

*Recalling* its resolution 112 (XXVI) entitled "Establishment of a Regional Centre for Development Administration" (henceforth to be called the Asian Centre for Development Administration), the report of the UNDP Mission and the Kabul Declaration, unanimously urging the prompt establishment of such a centre,

*Welcoming* the firm offers of support already communicated by most member and associate member countries in the region to provide generous counterpart financial contributions on a five-year basis for the centre's operation and maintenance,

*Expressing* its deep gratitude to the Governments of Ceylon, Iran and Malaysia for their generous offers to provide full and adequate host facilities,

*Noting* the spontaneous eagerness of the three Governments to offer sites for the centre in their respective countries and emphasizing the importance of reaching an early consensus in order to permit rapid implementation of the project,

1. *Calls upon* the Governments of Ceylon, Iran and Malaysia to take all initiatives for reaching a consensus with the assistance of the Executive Secretary, who will report back to the Commission at its next session;

2. *Strongly urges* UNDP to approve the project at the June 1971 session of its Governing Council and to set aside its contribution so that the centre can be established as soon as its location has been decided;

3. *Calls upon* the Governments of all member and associate member countries in the region to formalize their announcements of counterpart pledges at an early date;

4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, the Governments of member and associate member countries and, in particular, the three countries offering host facilities to take all the steps required for reaching a speedy decision on the location of the centre and for ensuring its establishment at the earliest possible date.

442nd meeting,  
28 April 1971.

118 (XXVII). PERIODIC PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL AT THE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS DURING THE SECOND DEVELOPMENT DECADE

*The Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,*

*Recalling* its resolution 106 (XXVI) on performance evaluation during the Second Development Decade,