

programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Statistical Office and the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific;

5. To advise, through its Director, the Advisory Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific on the nature and priorities of the statistical training requirements of the countries of the region for its consideration of the work programme of the Institute;

6. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning statistics in the region;

7. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every odd year and report to the Commission.

COMMITTEE ON TRADE

The Committee on Trade shall have the following functions:

1. To review and analyse the trade and commercial policies of the countries of the region and to promote the development of trade between the countries of the region and between the region and the rest of the world, in particular trade expansion among the developing countries, with a view to assisting the economic development of the countries of the region;

2. To review the progress in, and to promote the development of techniques and methods for, trade development and expansion, including the training of trade personnel;

3. To consider problems of international trade, particularly those affecting:

(a) The regional, subregional and interregional trade, as appropriate, of countries in Asia and the Pacific, in particular the developing countries, including matters relating to financial institutions and financing of trade, export credit insurance, insurance and re-insurance, debt servicing, standardization of commodities, commercial arbitration, customs administration, marketing and market research, product development and packaging;

(b) Raw materials and commodities, including the promotion of subregional, regional and international co-operation in raw materials and commodities of socio-economic importance to the member countries, particularly developing countries;

(c) The special problems of the least developed countries, the developing island countries, the land-locked countries and the most seriously affected countries;

(d) Organization and machinery for trade and commerce, having due regard to the work being done in these fields by the United Nations and other international bodies;

4. To review and evaluate the activities of the secretariat in the field of trade, and to make recommendations on the formulation and implementation of the programme of work in this field, with particular emphasis on activities in priority areas as defined by the Commission from time to time, taking into account the work being done in this field by the United Nations and other relevant organizations, particularly the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

5. To perform such other functions and activities as the Commission may request in all matters concerning trade;

6. To liaise as necessary with, and to take into account the relevant recommendations of, other legislative committees established by the Commission and other relevant bodies.

The Committee shall meet every even year and report to the Commission. In order to enable developments in trade and trade policies to be reviewed annually, the Commission itself will carry out such a review in odd years.

223(XXXVIII). International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace: implementation and follow-up of the specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year⁴

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 34/151 of 17 December 1979, in which the Assembly decided to designate 1985 as International Youth Year: Participation, Development, Peace,

Noting the report of the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year on its first session, held at Vienna from 30 March to 7 April 1981,

Referring to General Assembly resolution 36/28 of 13 November 1981, in which the Assembly endorsed the early implementation of the specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year, as adopted by the Advisory Committee for the International Youth Year,

⁴ See paras. 635-636 above.

Referring further to General Assembly resolution 36/29 of 13 November 1981 on efforts and measures for securing the implementation and the enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the right to education and to work,

Convinced that full preparation and observance in 1985 of the International Youth Year under the motto "Participation, Development, Peace" will offer a useful and significant opportunity for drawing attention to the situation and specific needs and aspirations of youth, for promoting policies and programmes relating to youth as an integral part of social and economic development, for enhancing the active participation of youth and youth organizations in society and, in particular, the promotion and achievement of development and peace, and for promoting among youth the ideals of peace, mutual respect and understanding among people,

Concerned at the need to focus on social problems affecting youth, including juvenile delinquency, alcoholism and drug abuse as well as the exploitation of youth, in implementing the national and regional programmes on youth, in order to encourage their active involvement in development efforts,

Considering that it is necessary to improve and intensify the co-ordination of activities at the national and regional levels so as to contribute to the proper preparation and celebration of the International Youth Year,

Bearing in mind the decision of the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth session to convene in 1983 a regional meeting of government officials responsible for national youth programmes as part of the regional preparations for the International Youth Year in 1985,

Considering that the secretariat continues to play an active role in monitoring and evaluating activities organized at the local, national and regional levels for the preparation and observance of the International Youth Year as well as in facilitating the exchange of information and experiences among its members and associate members,

1. *Calls upon* its members and associate members:

(a) To implement the specific Programme of Measures and Activities to be undertaken prior to and during the International Youth Year at the national level in accordance with their experience, conditions and priorities;

(b) To set up, where desirable, national co-ordinating committees for the International Youth Year with broad participation of young people and representatives of youth organizations;

(c) To keep the Executive Secretary informed of their national activities concerning the preparations for the International Youth Year and on the implemen-

tation of the specific Programme of Measures and Activities;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to make arrangements within the existing possibilities for the dissemination of information of particular relevance to the region on measures and activities undertaken by members and associate members in connection with the International Youth Year, as well as on national experience in solving different problems related to youth;

3. *Invites* the Executive Secretary to explore the possibility of holding an advisory and planning meeting of youth experts and youth leaders in 1982 with a view to ensuring adequate preparations for the 1983 regional meeting;

4. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to ensure appropriate arrangements within the secretariat to co-ordinate the Commission's youth activities with a view to intensifying the preparations for the International Youth Year;

5. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to approach members and associate members with a view to securing the funds needed for the effective implementation of the activities for the preparation and celebration of the Year;

6. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to submit to it at its thirty-ninth session a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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1 April 1982

224 (XXXVIII). Incorporation of environmental considerations into the economic and social development activities of the Commission⁵

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling the goals and principles of General Assembly resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980 containing the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, which stresses the need for an economic development process which is environmentally sustainable over the long run and which protects the ecological balance,

Taking note of its resolution 202 (XXXVI) of 27 March 1980, in which it requested the Executive Secretary to identify the environmental dimensions of the sectoral programmes of the Commission in

⁵ See paras. 489 and 492 above.