

## Chapter IV

### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AT ITS FORTY-SIXTH SESSION

#### **46/1. Strengthening the population activities of the Commission in the 1990s<sup>1</sup>**

*The Economic and Social Commission for Asia  
and the Pacific,*

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1989/91 of 26 July 1989 on the convening of an international meeting on population in 1994, in which the Secretary-General was requested to ensure that the regional commissions, the specialized agencies, other bodies of the United Nations system and other international organizations make a substantive contribution to the international meeting on population,

Noting recommendation 52 of the Asia-Pacific Call for Action on Population and Development, adopted at the Third Asian and Pacific Population Conference, in which the secretariat is called upon to provide support to members and associate members of the Commission in the implementation of the recommendations of that Conference and to undertake periodic review and appraisal of the progress made in achieving the objectives of the Call for Action,

Aware of the review and appraisal of the Call for Action undertaken by the secretariat in 1988, which presents strategies for further implementation of the recommendations of the Call for Action,

Recalling its decision to hold the Fourth Asian and Pacific Population Conference at Jakarta in 1992 to review the changes in the population situation that occurred during the 1980s and highlight the perspectives of population policies and programmes during the 1990s in Asian and Pacific countries,

Having deliberated on the issue paper "Population policies and programmes in the 1990s: trends and prospects", endorsed by the Commission at its forty-fifth session, which highlights past trends in policy formulation and programme development and the future prospects for multi-sectoral approaches to population issues,

Stressing the role of the Commission in the field of population in the attainment of the goals and objectives of the international development strategy for the fourth United Nations development decade, and beyond,

Re-emphasizing the crucial importance of the success of population policies and noting the relative success of the population programmes of many members and associate members, and some stagnation in the efforts of others, as well as the need to maintain

the strategies of quantitative success of the programmes and, where necessary, to restructure them from quantitative to qualitative aspects of population with special emphasis on the welfare of families, especially mothers and children,

Recognizing the extra demand and the Commission's limited resources in the areas of technical assistance, training, research and information in the field of population,

1. Urges the members and associate members to maintain and strengthen the present efforts in the areas mentioned in the last preambular paragraph of the present resolution;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary to convey to the General Assembly of the United Nations, the Economic and Social Council, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the Asian Development Bank the desire of the Commission for additional resources in support of the population programme of the secretariat within existing budget levels;

3. Invites donor countries and agencies within and outside the region to support the Commission's efforts to provide greater assistance to the members and associate members for the implementation of their population programmes;

4. Also invites members and associate members of ESCAP to participate actively in the Fourth Asian and Pacific Population Conference scheduled to be held in 1992, as well as in the international meeting on population to be held in 1994, so as to meet effectively the challenges facing Asia and the Pacific in the field of population in the coming decade;

5. Requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission at its forty-seventh session on the implementation of the present resolution.

*708th meeting  
13 June 1990*

#### **46/2. Urbanization strategies in the ESCAP region - Towards environmentally sound and sustainable development and management of urban areas<sup>2</sup>**

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and the Pacific,*

<sup>1</sup> See paras. 501-508 and 528-531 above.

<sup>2</sup> See paras. 278-280 and 290-291 above.