

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.

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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,

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).

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