

1920th meeting

Friday, 2 August 1974, at 10.30 a.m.

President: Mr. A. KARHILO (Finland)

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AGENDA ITEM 21

Programme and co-ordination (*continued*):

(e) Review of the agreements between the United Nations and the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency

(g) Priorities in the economic, social and human rights fields

REPORT OF THE POLICY AND PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE (E/5562/Add.3 (Part II))

1. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to consider the report of the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee on item 21 (e) and (g) (E/5562/Add.3 (Part II)). In paragraph 31, the Committee recommended two draft resolutions for adoption by the Council. He invited the Council to take a decision on draft resolution I (Review of the agreements between the United Nations and the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency), which the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee had approved without a vote. He suggested that the Council might likewise wish to adopt draft resolution I without a vote.

It was so decided.

2. Mr. CORKERY (Australia), drawing attention to the high cost of the activities which the Council was responsible for co-ordinating and programming, said that, although his delegation had supported the convening of three meetings early in 1975, as well as an informal group meeting and the Council's organizational session, it doubted whether such a piecemeal approach to the problem of co-ordination and programming would ensure the best use of available resources. He had been impressed by the degree of co-ordination between the secretariats of the various United Nations organizations, revealed in the course of the Economic Committee's consideration of draft resolutions on raw materials. However, more precise information on the whole range of co-ordination and programming activities should be made available before the resumed fifty-seventh session to enable the Council to decide whether the arrangements made for those activities were adequate. Otherwise, the meetings he had mentioned might merely result in the continuation of the present situation. Events were often the product of current action and it was sometimes difficult to change their course later. At its resumed fifty-seventh session, therefore, the Council should consider what further action to take in regard to co-ordination and programming. At some future date, it might devote an entire organizational session to co-ordination and programming, or perhaps hold a special session for that purpose.

3. Mr. BARCELÓ (Mexico) and Mr. OLIVIERI (Argentina) agreed with the representative of Australia.

4. The PRESIDENT invited the Council to take a decision on draft resolution II (Priorities in the economic, social and human rights fields), which the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee had approved with a vote.

5. Mr. LAWRENCE (United States of America) said that a number of delegations had held informal consultations with a view to revising draft resolution II in a way that would enable the Council to adopt it without a vote. He thought that the draft resolution would be generally acceptable if operative paragraph 3 was redrafted to read:

"Requests the Secretary-General, in preparing his draft programme budget and medium-term plan, to review carefully the activities being undertaken under each programme in the economic, social and human rights fields, in order to permit the General Assembly, with the recommendations of the Council, to redeploy, where appropriate, resources allocated to those areas, taking fully into account:

"(a) The major objectives of the International Development Strategy and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, including the attainment of fundamental freedoms and human rights;

"(b) The desirability of ensuring a meaningful element of real growth in programmes which are particularly responsive to those major objectives".

6. The PRESIDENT asked the Council whether it was prepared to adopt draft resolution II, as orally amended, without a vote.

7. Mr. BOOTH (Jamaica) said that at first sight the United States amendment appeared to be acceptable but, as the consultations among the delegations directly affected had not yet been completed, he requested that the vote on the draft resolution should be postponed until the following meeting.

It was so decided.

AGENDA ITEM 26

Calendar of conferences (*concluded*)

REPORT OF THE POLICY AND PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE (E/5573/Add.1)

8. The PRESIDENT said that the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee, in paragraph 11 of its report

(E/5573/Add.1), recommended a draft resolution entitled "Revised pattern of meetings" for adoption by the Council. As the Committee had approved the draft resolution without a vote, he suggested that the Council might wish to adopt it without a vote.

It was so decided.

9. Mr. DUMAS (France) and Mr. SCHUMM (Federal Republic of Germany) said that their support of draft resolutions referring to the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order was always subject to the reservations entered by their delegations on that subject at the sixth special session of the General Assembly.

10. Mr. LÓPEZ AGUILAR (Spain) recalled that, during the discussion on the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee, his delegation had proposed the insertion of the words "administrative and legal" before the word "implications" at the end of operative paragraph 3. Although his delegation had subsequently withdrawn that amendment, it hoped that the Secretary-General would nevertheless take into account the administrative and legal implications of his recommendations on the Council's pattern of meetings.

AGENDA ITEM 17

Industrial development co-operation

REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (E/5577)

11. The PRESIDENT said that the Economic Committee recommended a draft resolution on UNIDO (E/5577, para. 13) for adoption by the Council. As the Committee had approved the draft resolution without a vote, he suggested that the Council might wish to adopt it without a vote.

It was so decided.

12. Mr. NEUHOFF (Federal Republic of Germany) said that, although the second preambular paragraph of the draft resolution referred to the Programme of Action, the reference related to specific tasks under that Programme, with respect to which his delegation had entered no reservations at the time of the draft resolution's approval in the Economic Committee. It had therefore been in a position to agree to the adoption of the draft resolution as a whole by the Council.

AGENDA ITEM 8

The impact of multinational corporations on the development process and on international relations

REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (E/5575 (Parts I and II))

13. The PRESIDENT said that the Economic Committee recommended a draft resolution entitled "The impact of multinational corporations on the development process and

on international relations" (E/5575 (Part II), para. 20) for adoption by the Council. As the Committee had approved the draft resolution without a vote, he suggested that the Council might wish to adopt it without a vote.

It was so decided.

14. Mr. MISHRA (India) asked the representative of France to confirm that he had entered no reservations on behalf of the EEC countries with regard to the provisions of the draft resolution just adopted.

15. Mr. DUMAS (France) confirmed that no such reservations had been entered on behalf of those countries in the Economic Committee.

AGENDA ITEMS 4, 6, 7 AND 14

Programme of action on the establishment of a new international economic order (*continued*)*

Special session of the General Assembly devoted to development and international economic co-operation

Collective economic security

Second United Nations Development Decade:

- (a) Development planning and projections
- (b) Special measures in favour of the least-developed countries
- (c) Special measures related to the particular needs of the land-locked developing countries
- (d) Preparations for the mid-term review and appraisal of the international development strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, including further consideration of the machinery for review and appraisal of the strategy

REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (E/5579 (Part I))

16. The PRESIDENT said that the Economic Committee recommended four draft decisions in connexion with agenda items 4, 6, 7 and 14 (E/5579 (Part I), para. 28) for adoption by the Council. As the Committee had approved those four draft decisions without a vote, he suggested that the Council might wish to adopt them without a vote.

It was so decided.

17. Mr. FRAZÃO (Brazil) said that, during the discussion on draft decision II in the Economic Committee (718th meeting), his delegation had expressed strong reservations about the report of CDP on its tenth session (E/5478). It wished those reservations to be duly considered when the matter was referred to the Second General Conference of UNIDO, in 1975.

The meeting rose at 11.10 a.m.

* Resumed from the 1917th meeting.