

(a) To give priority attention to joint planning and programming;

(b) To ensure in-depth consideration of the question at periodic intervals;

(c) To develop concrete measures to improve the delivery of technical co-operation activities;

(d) To integrate women in the decision-making and policy-formulating process of the United Nations system;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its forty-second session, through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1987.

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1986/66. Work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1488 (XLVIII) of 22 May 1970, 1974 (LIX) of 30 July 1975, 1983/7 of 26 May 1983 and 1985/9 of 28 May 1985,

Reiterating the world-wide importance and practical value of the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods constantly to develop and update internationally harmonized safety standards and regulations,

Taking into account the growing desirability of widening the decision-making base of the Committee through broader geographical representation by granting observers full membership in the Committee in view of their active participation in its work and by encouraging the participation of developing countries and other non-member countries in its future work,

Noting that the satisfactory functioning of the Committee is dependent upon an adequate level of technical support and servicing,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General concerning the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods,⁵⁹ particularly questions of extended participation and membership;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in the light of his report and further consultations with experts and observers participating in the work of the Committee, to take the following measures to widen the decision-making base of the Committee:

(a) Encouraging the participation of experts on a wider geographical basis;

(b) Welcoming, in particular, the participation of interested developing countries, upon request, as full members of the Committee;

(c) With respect to the active participation of observers in the work of the Committee, appointing ex-

⁵⁹ E/1986/106.

perts designated by the Netherlands and Sweden as full members of the Committee, subject to confirmation by the Committee but not later than February 1987;

3. *Invites* Governments, in particular those of interested developed countries having expertise in the transport of dangerous goods, with the assistance of the Secretariat, to support the participation of interested developing countries, upon request, in the meetings of the Committee;

4. *Repeats its request* to Secretary-General to maintain the regular work programme at the requisite level by the full implementation resolutions 1983/7 and 1985/9;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the implementation of the present resolution for submission to the Council not later than at its second regular session of 1987.

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1986/67. Membership of Israel in the Economic Commission for Europe

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the letter dated 2 May 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council,⁶⁰ containing an application for admission to membership in the Economic Commission for Europe,

Noting the draft decision entitled "Membership of Israel in the Economic Commission for Europe",⁶¹ sponsored by the United States of America,

Conscious of the right of all States Members of the United Nations to be admitted to a regional commission as full members,

Recognizing that the members of a regional commission should be consulted before the admission of any new member,

Recognizing that the question of admitting Israel to a regional commission as a full member should be resolved at the earliest possible time,

1. *Decides* to transmit the draft decision regarding Israel's membership in the Economic Commission for Europe⁶² to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1987;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to consult with States members of the Commission on the question of admitting Israel to the Commission and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1987, with a view to taking

⁶⁰ E/1986/82.

⁶¹ E/1986/C.1/L.7; see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/41/3)*, chap. IV.

⁶² *Ibid.*