- 4. Decides that the Executive Director of the Fund shall report regularly on the activities and programmes of the Fund to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and to the Economic and Social Council when the Council considers the report of the Commission;
- 5. Recommends that the General Assembly give appropriate consideration to the Fund under the relevant item of its agenda;
- 6. Recommends that the Executive Director of the Fund, in view of the very delicate nature of his responsibilities, should be able to report directly to the Secretary-General, when appropriate and necessary;
- 7. Requests the Executive Director of the Fund to take the necessary steps to strengthen its technical capability and enhance its effectiveness and usefulness in the delivery of drug abuse control programmes;
- 8. Reiterates the invitation to the appropriate specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes of the United Nations system concerned to initiate and continue programmes aimed at the reduction of illicit production and demand for drugs, in close co-operation with and incorporating the experience of the Fund;
- 9. Expresses its appreciation to Governments for both regular and earmarked contributions to the Fund;
- 10. Appeals to Governments to continue and substantially to increase their contributions to the Fund;
- 11. Calls upon those Governments that have not yet done so to consider contributing to the Fund;
- 12. Requests the Executive Director of the Fund, in preparing the next report on the activities of the Fund for submission to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, to highlight the progress achieved in the implementation of the present resolution.

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1987/33. Special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 2001 (LX) of 12 May 1976,

Recognizing that the social and human problems associated with drug abuse require the continuous attention of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Aware of the need for the Commission to expedite the preparation of the new convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and to consider the question of the scheduling of a number of substances under the provisions of the international drug control treaties, following receipt of recommendations to that effect from the World Health Organization, as well as to consider appropriate action to give effect to recommendations of the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking,

Decides that the Commission shall hold a special session of ten working days in 1988 at a time when it will not overlap with other meetings, and within existing United Nations resources, to expedite the preparation of the new convention against illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and to consider appropriate measures to give effect to relevant recommendations of the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, the question of the scheduling of a number of substances, the report of the International Narcotics

Control Board, an interim report of the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, and other urgent matters.

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1987/34. Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and Caribbean Region

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind recommendation 19 of the first Interregional Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies. 42 resolution VIII/4 of the Eighth Conference of the States Parties to the South American Agreement on Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances and, in particular, Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 3 (XXXII) of 11 February 1987, 43

- 1. Invites the Governments of the Latin American and Caribbean countries and other interested Governments to participate in the regional meeting of the heads of national drug law enforcement agencies with a view to establishing the Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and Caribbean Region;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to adopt the necessary measures and to provide the financial resources required for holding the regional meeting during the second half of 1987 at the headquarters of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean or at the capital of any State in the region that may wish to act as host:
- 3. Decides to grant to the Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Latin America and Caribbean Region, the status of a subsidiary organ of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, similar to that accorded the Sub-Commission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East and the Meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and the Pacific Region and Africa Region.

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1987/35. National experience in achieving farreaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress

The Economic and Social Council,

Guided by the desire to promote a higher standard of life, full employment and conditions for economic and social progress and development,

Recalling the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, 44 the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 45 the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States 46 and the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade. 47

⁴² See A/41/559, para. 10.

⁴³ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1987, Supplement No. 4 (E/1987/17), chap. VIII.

⁴⁴ General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV).

⁴⁵ General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI).

⁴⁶ General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX).

⁴⁷ General Assembly resolution 35/56, annex

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 3273 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974, 31/38 of 30 November 1976, 36/19 of 9 November 1981, 38/25 of 22 November 1983 and 40/23 of 29 November 1985, in which the Assembly reaffirmed the importance for every State to carry out fundamental social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress and the necessity of studying national experience in this field,

Noting with concern the findings on the economic and social situation in many parts of the world, contained in the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Highlights of the world social situation 1987: recent developments and current issues", 48

Desirous of securing a speedy and complete removal of major obstacles to the economic and social progress of peoples, as defined in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,

Noting the proposal of the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to act as host to the interregional seminar on the national experience of developing and developed countries in carrying out far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress called for in paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 38/25,

- 1. Reaffirms that further exchange of national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress would contribute to the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade;
- 2. Notes that the Secretary-General is making arrangements for holding in 1988 the interregional seminar called for in paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 38/25, within the resources allotted to the programme for sectoral and regional advisory services;
- 3. Invites all States to submit to the Secretary-General national reports on their experience in carrying out far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare, in consultation with all States, a report on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress, taking into account the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 36/19, 38/25 and 40/23, and to submit it to the Assembly at its forty-fourth session through the Commission for Social Development and the Economic and Social Council;
- 5. Requests the Commission for Social Development to consider at its thirty-first session the issue of national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress.

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1987/36. Use of science and technology in the interest of social and economic development

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that scientific and technological progress is an important factor in the social and economic development of human society,

Reaffirming the objectives of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, by which States were called upon to aim for an

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equitable sharing of scientific and technological advances by developed and developing countries and a steady increase in the use of science and technology for the benefit of the social development of society, as well as the intensification of international co-operation in this field

Reaffirming also the provisions of the Declaration on the Use of Scientific and Technological Progress in the Interests of Peace and for the Benefit of Mankind, adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 3384 (XXX) of 10 November 1975, by which all States were called upon to promote international co-operation, to ensure that the results of scientific and technological developments are used in the interests of strengthening international peace and security, freedom and independence, and also for the purpose of the economic and social development of peoples and the realization of human rights and freedoms in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

Considering that the implementation of the abovementioned declarations will contribute towards promoting the social and economic development of peoples and international co-operation in the interest of scientific and technological progress and towards strengthening peace,

Emphasizing that international co-operation of States for the promotion of scientific and technological progress is in the interest of the social and economic development of all peoples and can contribute to development and the promotion of peace,

Noting that the International Conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development is to be held in New York from 24 August to 11 September 1987.

Convinced that, at a time of rapid scientific and technological progress, the resources of humankind and the work of scientists should be used for the peaceful economic, social and cultural development of nations and for the improvement of the living standards of all peoples,

Aware that technical co-operation, including the possibility of transfer of technology, is one of the ways of achieving better social progress in developing countries,

Recalling its resolution 1985/21 of 29 May 1985, in which it specified that the next report on the world social situation should include a more thorough analysis of the impact of new and emerging technologies on socio-economic conditions, particularly in developing countries, and should analyse the progress made in the international diffusion of appropriate technology and application of technology in improving social conditions in developing countries,

- 1. Calls upon all States to promote co-operation to ensure scientific and technological progress for the welfare of their peoples, and of all humankind, as well as their social and economic development, and to contribute towards eliminating economic backwardness and grave social problems in the world, such as hunger, illiteracy, homelessness, unemployment and inadequate health protection;
- 2. Stresses the necessity of using scientific and technological progress for the implementation of the fundamental human rights in their entirety, including political, economic, social and cultural rights;
- 3. Urges all States to make every effort to utilize scientific and technological achievements for the promotion of peaceful social and economic development, and to prevent their misuse to the detriment of peoples;
- 4. Requests the Commission for Social Development to consider the use of science and technology in the