

San Marino	United Kingdom of Great
Spain	Britain and Northern
Sweden	Ireland
Switzerland	United States of America
Turkey	

C. LIST OF STATES INDICATED IN SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 4 (c)

Argentina	Guyana
Barbados	Haiti
Bolivia	Honduras
Brazil	Jamaica
Chile	Mexico
Colombia	Nicaragua
Costa Rica	Panama
Cuba	Paraguay
Dominican Republic	Peru
Ecuador	Trinidad and Tobago
El Salvador	Uruguay
Guatemala	Venezuela

D. LIST OF STATES INDICATED IN SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 4 (d)

Albania	Poland
Bulgaria	Romania
Byelorussian Soviet	Ukrainian Soviet Socialist
Socialist Republic	Republic
Czechoslovakia	Union of Soviet Socialist
Hungary	Republics

2845 (XXVI). Public administration and development

The General Assembly,

Taking into account its previous resolutions on the role of public administration in economic and social development, particularly resolutions 723 (VIII) of 23 October 1953, 1024 (XI) of 21 December 1956, 1256 (XIII) of 14 November 1958, 1530 (XV) of 15 December 1960, 1710 (XVI) of 19 December 1961 and 2561 (XXIV) of 13 December 1969,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolutions 1199 (XLII) of 24 May 1967 and 1567 (L) of 6 May 1971,

Emphasizing the importance of improving public administration in order to speed up the economic and social development of the developing countries and to achieve the aims and objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Considering, therefore, that the measures needed to increase the capability and efficiency of public administration in the developing countries are indispensable for the formulation and implementation of economic and social development plans and programmes,

Recognizing the importance for developing countries of the establishment and entry into service of regional centres of administration for development, the purpose of which is to co-operate with Governments in increasing their administrative capability for the implementation of their economic and social development programmes,

Noting the existence of the African Training and Research Centre in Administration for Development and the forthcoming entry into service of the Asian Centre of Development Administration, the Centre of the Arab Organization for Administrative Sciences and the Latin American Centre of Administration for Development,

Recognizing the prompt and effective co-operation given by the United Nations Development Programme for the establishment and operation of the regional centres in Asia and Africa,

1. *Draws the attention* of Member States to the importance of measures to increase administrative capability for economic and social development, the desirability of making such measures an integral part of development plans at all levels, as appropriate, and the need for such measures to be adequate to enable Governments, individually and collectively, to achieve the aims of the Second United Nations Development Decade;

2. *Takes note* of the report of the Second Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration;⁴⁴

3. *Endorses* the objectives of the regional centres of administration for development to increase the administrative capability and efficiency of the developing countries in order to speed up the process of economic and social development;

4. *Invites* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to provide the technical and financial co-operation necessary for the establishment and operation of the Latin American Centre of Administration for Development and the Centre of the Arab Organization for Administrative Sciences in the same way in which it supported the regional centres in Africa and Asia, and further invites it to continue to provide the necessary assistance to the regional centres in Africa and Asia.

*2026th plenary meeting,
20 December 1971.*

2846 (XXVI). Question of the creation of an intergovernmental sea service

The General Assembly,

Having given preliminary consideration to the question of the creation of an intergovernmental sea service,

1. *Decides* to refer this question for further consideration to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor beyond the Limits of National Jurisdiction at its session to be held in July and August 1972;

2. *Requests* the Committee to report on this question to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.

*2026th plenary meeting,
20 December 1971.*

2847 (XXVI). Enlargement of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly,

Recognizing that an enlargement of the Economic and Social Council will provide broad representation of the United Nations membership as a whole and make the Council a more effective organ for carrying out its functions under Chapters IX and X of the Charter of the United Nations,

⁴⁴ *Public Administration in the Second United Nations Development Decade* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.71.II.H.3).

Having considered the report of the Economic and Social Council,⁴⁵

1. Takes note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1621 (LI) of 30 July 1971;

2. Decides to adopt, in accordance with Article 108 of the Charter of the United Nations, the following amendment to the Charter and to submit it for ratification by the States Members of the United Nations:

“Article 61

“1. The Economic and Social Council shall consist of fifty-four Members of the United Nations elected by the General Assembly.

“2. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 3, eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council shall be elected each year for a term of three years. A retiring member shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

“3. At the first election after the increase in the membership of the Economic and Social Council from twenty-seven to fifty-four members, in addition to the members elected in place of the nine members whose term of office expires at the end of that year, twenty-seven additional members shall be elected. Of these twenty-seven additional members, the term of office of nine members so elected shall expire at the end of one year, and of nine other members at the end of two years, in accordance with arrangements made by the General Assembly.

“4. Each member of the Economic and Social Council shall have one representative.”;

3. Urges all Member States to ratify the above amendment in accordance with their respective constitutional processes as soon as possible and to deposit their instruments of ratification with the Secretary-General;

4. Further decides that the members of the Economic and Social Council shall be elected according to the following pattern:

- (a) Fourteen members from African States;
- (b) Eleven members from Asian States;
- (c) Ten members from Latin American States;
- (d) Thirteen members from Western European and other States;
- (e) Six members from socialist States of Eastern Europe;

5. Welcomes the decision of the Economic and Social Council, pending the receipt of the necessary ratifications, to enlarge its sessional committees to fifty-four members;

6. Invites the Economic and Social Council, as soon as possible and not later than the organizational meetings of its fifty-second session, to elect the twenty-seven additional members from States Members of the United Nations to serve on the enlarged sessional committees; such elections should be in accordance with paragraph 4 above and should be held each year pending the coming into force of the enlargement of the Council;

7. Decides that, as of the date of the entry into force of the above amendments, rule 147 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly shall be amended to read:

“Rule 147⁴⁶

“The General Assembly shall each year, in the course of its regular session, elect eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council for a term of three years.”

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20 December 1971.*

2848 (XXVI). Protein resources

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2416 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 and 2684 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, Economic and Social Council resolution 1640 (LI) of 30 July 1971, World Health Assembly resolution WHA22.56 of 25 July 1969 and resolutions 2/69 and 7/71 adopted by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on 26 November 1969 and 22 November 1971,

Recalling also paragraphs 18 and 69 of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Bearing in mind the Declaration on the world food problem adopted on 22 March 1968⁴⁷ by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its second session,

Recognizing that the protein problem is part of the general problem of food production and supply, which depends on a great many economic, social, cultural and political factors, including social and economic under-development, which is manifested in unemployment and under-employment, extremely low incomes, poor nutritional habits, poor health and sanitary conditions, low agricultural productivity and serious defects in marketing,

Recognizing also that protein-calorie malnutrition is the primary cause of high infant and child mortality, reaching from 25 to 30 per cent in many developing countries, that it increases susceptibility to infection and can permanently impair growth and development in the survivors, to the detriment of their later physical and intellectual performance,

Considering that it is in the interests of developing countries to make increased use of the external—and particularly multilateral—financial and technical assistance available for dealing with problems of food supply and nutrition since the direct and indirect costs of malnutrition to national development are often far more than the amount that would be required for its prevention,

Recognizing that, since the ultimate solution of the protein problem can only be found over the long term while immediate action with respect to vulnerable groups is required if irreversible damage is to be prevented, clear national and international priorities must be set now in taking remedial action, and that consequently external short-term assistance such as emergency food support must be combined with assistance for vital long-range projects,

Acknowledging the programme and assistance activities relating to the protein problem being undertaken

⁴⁶ Formerly rule 146 (see resolution 2837 (XXVI), annex I, para. 9).

⁴⁷ *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Second Session*, vol. I and Corr.1 and 3 and Add.1 and 2, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.II.D.14), p. 28.

⁴⁵ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/8403).*