(XXXVI), taking into account the resources available for housing and urban development;

- 3. Recommends that Governments take all necessary measures designed to ensure the creation and execution of low-income housing programmes, including the encouragement of housing co-operatives, and to guard against any practices, especially speculation in real estate, which may prove detrimental to such programmes;
- 4. Invites the Secretary-General, the regional economic commissions, the specialized agencies concerned and the interested inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations to co-operate with the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning and to assist requesting Governments in formulating and executing, within the framework of general development and taking into account internal resources and external aid available for such programmes, specific action programmes in housing and environmental development consistent with the targets and standards recommended;
- 5. Invites the Secretary-General to explore appropriate methods of expanding, within the framework of the United Nations programmes of technical cooperation and with the co-operation of interested Governments, the programme of pilot projects in housing, building and planning as a means of facilitating the achievement of national targets for the remainder of the Decade;
- 6. Invites the Managing Director of the Special Fund to consider the feasibility of including suitable aspects of such pilot projects among the pre-investment activities essential for environmental development as part of general development;
- 7. Requests the Economic and Social Council and the Secretary General to report to the General Assembly at its nineteenth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

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## 1918 (XVIII). Capital punishment

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1396 (XIV) of 20 November 1959, in which the Economic and Social Council was invited to initiate a study of the question of capital punishment, of the laws and practices relating thereto, and of the effects of capital punishment and the abolition thereof on the rate of criminality,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 747 (XXIX) of 6 April 1960 concerning the procedure for the study of the question of capital punishment,

Having considered Economic and Social Council resolution 934 (XXXV) of 9 April 1963 relating to capital punishment,

- 1. Endorses the action of the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 934 (XXXV);
- 2. Requests the Economic and Social Council to invite the Commission on Human Rights to study the report entitled Capital Punishment<sup>6</sup> and the comments thereon of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee of Experts on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,<sup>7</sup> and to make such recommendations on the matter as it deems appropriate;

6 United Nations publication, Sales No.: 62.IV.2.
7 Official Records of the Economic and Social Council,
Thirty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 11, document
E/3724, section IXI.

3. Requests the Secretary-General, after examining the report of the Commission on Human Rights and with the co-operation of the Consultative Group on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, to present a report, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly not later than at its twenty-second session on new developments with respect to the law and practice concerning the death penalty and new contributions of the criminal sciences in the matter.

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## 1919 (XVIII). United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 1773 (XVII) of 7 December 1962.

- 1. Takes note with approval of the work of the United Nations Children's Fund which, while continuing to be devoted to the fields of child health, nutrition and social welfare, has now been extended to include education and vocational training as well;
- 2. Recommends that Governments, when planning their economic and social development, should take into account the importance of meeting the needs of children and youth and should use to the full such facilities as the United Nations Children's Fund can provide, including aid for the training of national personnel, in order to help prepare them for life;
- 3. Calls upon Member States to continue to contribute as much as they can to the United Nations Children's Fund.

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## 1920 (XVIII). Participation of women in national social and economic development

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the importance of developing human resources in order to accelerate social and economic progress,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolutions 961 E (section II), F and G (XXXVI) of 12 July 1963 and 975 B and C (XXXVI) of 1 August 1963,

Considering General Assembly resolution 1777 (XVII) of 7 December 1962 concerning United Nations assistance for the advancement of women in developing countries.

Believing in the necessity of women playing their full part, on equal terms with men, in planning for balanced and co-ordinated economic and social development, and in the execution of such plans,

Recognizing the contribution of women to national social development programmes, particularly those relating to community development and social welfare, and the importance of such programmes to the advancement of women in general,

Affirming the importance of training women for such participation at all levels of social and economic development by means of appropriate programmes in the economic and social fields, including the fields of education, vocational training, eradication of illiteracy, nutrition, public health, public administration, housing, social welfare, and urban and rural development,

1. Calls the attention of Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the spe-