

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the draft outline submitted by the Secretary-General in the annex to his progress report, expressing at the same time the wish that an effort be made to shorten and simplify that outline;

2. *Endorses* the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development that the proposed study should not be encyclopaedic in character, but limited and well-defined in scope and essentially forward-looking;

3. *Calls again* on the Governments of Member States, the specialized agencies, in particular the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization and the International Atomic Energy Agency, and the other organs of the United Nations system concerned, to contribute to the preparation of the study requested in paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 2658 (XXV);

4. *Invites* the Secretary-General and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to take all the necessary steps to promote the preparation of these studies;

5. *Expresses the wish* that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization should examine, in agreement with the Secretary-General, the possibility of combining these studies, as is eminently desirable, in a single publication;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Council and to the General Assembly on the result of these exchanges of views and to keep the Council, the General Assembly and the Advisory Committee regularly informed of the progress of the preparatory work.

*1799th plenary meeting
30 July 1971*

OTHER DECISION

Future institutional arrangements for science and technology

At its 1798th meeting, on 30 July 1971, the Council decided to postpone consideration of the draft resolution submitted by France,⁶⁹ and to include in the agenda of the resumed fifty-first session an item on the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development.

⁶⁹ E/L.1420 and Add.1.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT

1613 (LI). Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its eleventh and twelfth sessions.⁷⁰

*1790th plenary meeting,
23 July 1971.*

⁷⁰ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-first Session, Supplements Nos. 6 and 6A* (E/4954 and E/5043).

1614 (LI). Report on the United Nations Volunteers programme

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Volunteers programme⁷¹ and transmits it to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

*1790th plenary meeting,
23 July 1971.*

⁷¹ E/5028.