- 1. Requests the Administrative Committee on Coordination to specify the obstacles involved in further harmonizing programme budgets and medium-term plans and to make proposals for overcoming them to the Council at its sixty-fifth session, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, with a view to deriving the maximum benefits from such harmonization;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, to provide the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its eighteenth session with a compendium of introductions to the most recent programme budgets of agencies and organizations within the United Nations system;
- 3. Requests the Committee for Programme and Coordination to consider the compendium's potential utility, together with that of the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on expenditures in relation to programmes, with a view to developing for Member States instruments for promoting United Nations system-wide harmonization of programme budgets and medium-term planning, as well as for providing a concise and informative survey of programmes and policy objectives pursued by the United Nations system;
- 4. Requests the Administrative Committee on Coordination to give its views on the compendium for the purposes stated in paragraph 3 of this section, and on the way in which its value to Member States can be enhanced.

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2099 (LXIII). Co-operation in coastal area development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1802 (LV) of 7 August 1973 on marine co-operation and 1970 (LIX) of 30 July 1975 on uses of the sea and coastal area development,

Reaffirming that the rational use of marine resources and coastal areas is an essential component of national economic development and that the wider and more effective application of technological capabilities in developing countries is a prerequisite to this end,

Considering that the programme in this field proposed by the Secretary-General in his progress report on coastal area development and management and marine and coastal technology 95 is complementary to and will be integrated, as required, with related activities carried out by other organizations of the United Nations system,

Noting from the annual report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1976/77 that the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System being devel-

⁹⁵ E/5971.

oped jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission could be made fully responsive to system-wide needs in the field of coastal area development, 98

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General to co-operate with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other competent United Nations organizations in the development of the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System, and to take full account of the requirement that identified information needs not at present dealt with by other information services within the United Nations system be met, in particular the need for an information referral service regarding coastal area development;
- 2. Invites the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the competent organizations of the United Nations system to take or support such other measures as may be required to assist Governments in developing costal areas and, in this connexion, to encourage more effective interaction between producers and users of marine and coastal technologies and to promote closer cooperation among developing countries in this field;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General, using the coordination machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to report to the Council, as appropriate, on progress made in implementing the present resolution.

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2100 (LXIII). Assistance to the Palestinian people

The Economic and Social Council.

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3210 (XXIX) of 14 October 1974, 3236 (XXIX) and 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and Council resolutions 1978 (LIX) of 31 July 1975 and 2026 (LXI) of 4 August 1976,

Taking into consideration the report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people, 97

Bearing in mind the views expressed during the sixtythird session of the Council,

- 1. Calls once more upon the United Nations Development Programme, the specialized agencies and other organizations within the United Nations system to continue and to intensify, as a matter of urgency and in co-ordination with the Economic Commission for Western Asia, their efforts in identifying the social and economic needs of the Palestinian people;
- 2. Urges these agencies and organizations to consult and co-operate closely with the Palestine Liberation Organization, the representative of the Palestinian people, with a view to establishing and fully implementing concrete

⁹⁶ E/5973, para. 102.

⁹⁷ E/6005 and Add.1,