

preparations for a new international development strategy for the 1980s;

4. *Invites* the specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations concerned to support activities of the United Nations in the field of public administration and finance at the national, regional and international levels;

5. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Coordination, when it makes an in-depth study of the work programme of the Division of Public Administration and Finance at the first part of its eighteenth session, to take into account the recommendations of the Meeting of Experts and to submit its recommendations to the Council at its second regular session of 1978;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in compiling the draft calendar of meetings for 1979, which will be submitted to the Council at its second regular session of 1978, to bear in mind the possible need for a Fifth Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance before the end of 1979.

*14th plenary meeting
4 May 1978*

1978/7. Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and 32/10 of 7 November 1977,

"Noting that, at the mid-term of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, the evils of *apartheid*, racism and racial discrimination, including the denial of the right to self-determination, continue to prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere,

"Convinced that the withdrawal of foreign investments and the termination of the activities of the transnational corporations in southern Africa will contribute significantly to achieving the goals and objectives of the Programme for the Decade,

"1. Condemns once again the policies of *apartheid*, racism and racial discrimination which prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination;

"2. Urges all States to continue to co-operate fully with the Secretary-General in the implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

"3. Reaffirms its strong support for oppressed peoples struggling to liberate themselves from racism, racial discrimination, *apartheid*, colonialism and alien domination;

"4. Calls once again upon all the Governments which have not yet done so to take legislative, administrative or other measures in respect of their nationals and the bodies corporate under their jurisdiction that own and operate enterprises in southern Africa, in order to put an end to such enterprises;

"5. Urges once again United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to strengthen and enlarge the scope of their activities in support of the objectives

of the Programme for the Decade, in particular by taking the measures specified in paragraph 6 of resolution 32/10;

"6. Requests the Secretary-General to continue to give the utmost publicity to the Programme for the Decade;

"7. Urges once again all Governments and private organizations to make available adequate resources to enable the Secretary-General to undertake the activities entrusted to him under the Programme and in support of the activities envisaged during the Decade;

"8. Decides to continue to consider as a matter of high priority, at its thirty-fourth session, the item entitled 'Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination'."

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1978/8. National experience in promoting the co-operative movement

The Economic and Social Council

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 2459 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968, 3273 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974 and 31/37 of 30 November 1976, and Economic and Social Council resolution 1668 (LII) of 1 June 1972,

"Bearing in mind that the establishment and growth of co-operatives is one of the important instruments for the full economic, social and cultural development of all members of society,

"Recognizing the necessity of training and educational programmes at various levels for the growth, diversification and professionalization of the management of co-operatives,

"1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on national experience in promoting the co-operative movement;³²

"2. Reiterates the necessity of an international exchange of experience as a contribution to the growth and diversification of the co-operative movement;

"3. Stresses the role of co-operatives in the development of weaker sections of the community and in over-all social and economic advancement, particularly in developing countries;

"4. Recognizes that co-operatives are an important means of increasing employment opportunities for women and integrating them, as active members of society, into the development process;

"5. Stresses also the important social role of co-operatives in involving people at the grass-roots level in the planning and decision making which affect their daily lives;

"6. Invites Member States, relevant specialized agencies and other United Nations organs to pay special attention to the training and education aspects of the co-operative movement at the local, national and international levels;

"7. Also invites Member States, relevant specialized agencies and other United Nations organs to submit follow-up reports on their experience in promoting the co-operative movement, referring es-

³² E/1978/15 and Corr.1 and 2.