- 11. Requests the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue consultations on this matter with the Chairman of the Special Committee and to report thereon to the Council;
- 12. Decides to keep this question under continuous review.

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## 2016 (LXI). Assistance in cases of natural disaster and other disaster situations

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2816 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971, establishing the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 on the strengthening of that Office, and General Assembly resolution 3440 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, which provides inter alia for measures to be taken in support of the activities of the Office,

Recalling in particular paragraph 2 of resolution 3243 (XXIX), by which the General Assembly decided that the additional costs of providing the strengthened capability of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator should be met by voluntary contributions during the first year and during the biennium 1976-1977, at which time the methods of financing for future periods should be subject to review in the light of experience,

Noting paragraph 8 of the report of the Secretary-General concerning the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator,<sup>87</sup> in which he refers to the response of Governments to General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX) and to General Assembly resolution 3532 (XXX) of 17 December 1975,

Aware that it would be desirable, for planning purposes, that the General Assembly at its thirty-first session should give guidance to the Secretary-General on modalities for the future financing of the activities of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator.

- 1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator, and of the supplementary oral report on its programme made to the Council at its sixty-first session by the Co-ordinator;<sup>88</sup>
- 2. Calls upon Governments of States Members of the United Nations to give urgent consideration to supporting the trust fund established pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 3 of General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX), during the period ending 31 December 1977;
- 3. Recommends that the General Assembly should consider, at its thirty-first session, the most appropriate means for the financing after 31 December 1977 of the Co-ordinator's Office, as strengthened pursuant to

General Assembly resolution 3243 (XXIX), taking into account the views expressed on this subject at the sixty-first session of the Economic and Social Council.

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## 2017 (LXI). Secretariat units for international narcotics control

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that the General Assembly has requested it to examine the programme aspects of the present secretariat arrangements of the International Narcotics Control Board and the Division of Narcotic Drugs, with a view to identifying any duplication and overlapping of activities that might exist, and to consider, within that context, the possibility of streamlining or combining both secretariats in the interest of economy and expeditious administration and management, 89

Taking into account the provisions of article 9, paragraph 2, of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,90

Having received the reports and recommendations of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs <sup>91</sup> and of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination <sup>92</sup> on this question,

- 1. Reconfirms that in the present circumstances the administrative arrangements now in force shall continue in effect;
- 2. Notes with satisfaction that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs has decided to continue to monitor the possibility of streamlining the administration of the services concerned, bearing in mind the need for economy and for the most efficient and expeditious management.

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## 2018 (LXI). Budgeting and planning for development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1633 (LI) of 30 July 1971 and 1977 (LIX) of 30 July 1975,

Having reviewed the report of the Secretary-General on the Meeting of the Expert Group on Budgeting and Planning for Development in Developing Countries, 93

<sup>87</sup> A/31/88.

<sup>88</sup> See E/AC.24/SR.590.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>89</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirtieth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/10034), decision (agenda item 96), para. (f) (ii), p. 143.

<sup>90</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 520, p. 204.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/5771), paras. 324-340, and chap. XV, resolution 4 (S-IV).

<sup>92</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/31/38), para. 189

<sup>93</sup> E/5794.