

should be so devised as to ensure the maximum possible impact on world public opinion in support of all development efforts, particularly of the objectives and policies for the Decade.

*1832nd plenary meeting,
13 December 1969.*

2572 (XXIV). International Education Year

The General Assembly

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General,⁴² prepared with the assistance of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization pursuant to General Assembly resolution 2412 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968;

2. *Endorses* Economic and Social Council resolution 1436 (XLVII) of 31 July 1969.

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2573 (XXIV). International university

The General Assembly,

Taking note with appreciation of the Secretary-General's remarks concerning the idea of an international university made in the introduction to his annual report on the work of the Organization,⁴³

Welcoming the initiative taken by the Secretary-General,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General to undertake, in co-operation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and in consultation with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and any other agency or organization he deems necessary and taking into account the views expressed at the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly, a comprehensive expert study on the feasibility of an international university, including a clear definition of its goals and objectives as well as recommendations as to how it might be organized and financed;

2. *Expresses the hope* that the report on the study will be available early in the International Education Year and in time to be submitted through the Economic and Social Council to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session.

*1832nd plenary meeting,
13 December 1969.*

2577 (XXIV). Report of the Industrial Development Board

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session,⁴⁴

Noting in particular the Board's recommendations concerning the programme of work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for 1970 relating to the field activities and supporting activities of that organization,⁴⁵

⁴² E/4707 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1 and 2.

⁴³ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 1A (A/7601/Add.1)*, paras. 196 and 197.

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 17 (A/7617 and Corr.1).

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, chapter VI.

Recalling the recommendations of the International Symposium on Industrial Development, held at Athens in 1967,⁴⁶

Recalling further its resolution 2178 (XXI) of 9 December 1966 in which it, *inter alia*, requested the Industrial Development Board to study in due course the recommendations of the Symposium and to take appropriate follow-up action,

Believing that an appropriate review and assessment of the progress achieved in the implementation of the aforementioned recommendations of the Board, as well as those of the Symposium, could provide sufficient information and impetus for devising effective ways and means of attaining the speedy implementation of those recommendations with a view to responding adequately to the urgent needs and problems of the developing countries in their efforts to accelerate their industrialization,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session;

2. *Invites* the Industrial Development Board, with the co-operation of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to consider the possibility of including in the Board's annual reports:

(a) A summary of the progress achieved in the implementation of all the substantive recommendations and resolutions of the Board and of the International Symposium on Industrial Development, as well as practical measures and policies for attaining their early implementation, as appropriate;

(b) An up-dated listing of the titles of all projects and activities undertaken by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in each country and region, with estimated cost, source of financing, nature and duration by man-months of each project, and titles of all seminars, expert group meetings, workshops, publications of research and studies;

(c) An outline of the future work programme of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization;

3. *Suggests* that the reports of the Industrial Development Board be made as concise and substantial as possible, taking into account the additional information called for in paragraph 2 above.

*1834th plenary meeting,
15 December 1969.*

2578 (XXIV). Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2089 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966 on the establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Having in mind Industrial Development Board resolution 22 (III) of 13 May 1969,⁴⁷ in which the Board requested the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to consult the

⁴⁶ See United Nations Industrial Development Organization, *Report of the International Symposium on Industrial Development* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.69.II.B.7).

⁴⁷ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/7617 and Corr.1)*, annex VII.

Governments of member States on the possibility of convening a special international conference on industrialization,

Considering the answers received so far,⁴⁸

Taking into account Industrial Development Board resolution 24 (III) of 14 May 1969,⁴⁷ in which the Board decided that high priority should be given to the work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in connexion with accelerating industrial development in the developing countries, particularly in the less developed among them, within the framework of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. Suggests that a special international conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, at the highest possible level of governmental representation, be held at an appropriate time, ensuring that this conference and the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development are not held in the same year, within a framework which will reduce the expenditures for holding the conference to a minimum;

2. Requests the Industrial Development Board to consider the suggestion in paragraph 1 above and, if necessary, to propose the venue, date and duration of the special conference and to formulate its provisional agenda and its basic objectives, including the longer-range orientation of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, its organizational structure and the question of financing;

3. Further requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to prepare a report on the above-mentioned subjects for consideration by the Industrial Development Board at its fourth session.

1834th plenary meeting,
15 December 1969.

2579 (XXIV). Final report of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2188 (XXI) of 13 December 1966 regarding the enlargement of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination of the Economic and Social Council with the purpose of undertaking a review of the operational and research activities of the United Nations family of organizations in the field of economic and social development,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 1367 (XLV) of 2 August 1968,

Reaffirming the central role assigned to the Economic and Social Council in the economic, social and human rights fields under Chapter X of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 1467 (XLVII) of 31 October 1969,

Noting with appreciation the work completed by the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination with the co-operation of the United Nations Secretariat, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other United Nations organs and related bodies,

⁴⁸ *Ibid.*, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 38, documents A/7693 and Add.1.

Having examined the final report of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination,⁴⁹

Conscious of the urgent need to ensure the optimum utilization of the resources of the United Nations system of organizations, in particular by concentrating attention on co-ordinated efforts in areas of high priority in the context of the international development strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. Reaffirms the following objectives set out in its resolution 2188 (XXI), which should guide the organizations in the United Nations system in carrying out their research and operational activities in the field of economic and social development:

(a) The maximum concentration of resources, at present and increasing levels, on programmes of direct relevance to Member States;

(b) A flexible, prompt and effective response to the specific needs of individual countries and regions, as determined by them, within the limits of available resources;

(c) The minimum burden on the administrative resources of Member States and of members of the organizations in the United Nations system;

(d) The evolution of an integrated system of long-term planning on a programme basis;

(e) The institution of systematic procedures for evaluating the effectiveness of operational and research activities;

2. Welcomes the final report of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, in particular the document entitled *Assistance for Economic and Social Development Available from the United Nations System: A Handbook of Criteria and Procedures*,⁵⁰ and expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for preparing the clear and comprehensive picture of the existing operational and research activities of the United Nations family of organizations in the field of economic and social development;⁵¹

3. Requests the Economic and Social Council, at its organizational meetings in January 1970, to reconstitute its Committee for Programme and Co-ordination in accordance with the recommendation of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;⁵²

4. Further requests the Economic and Social Council, as soon as possible thereafter, to examine and to keep under continuing review the machinery for co-ordination and programme review and to introduce improvements or modifications which may appear necessary in the light of the experience gained and of relevant developments within the United Nations system of organizations;

5. Decides to review at its twenty-sixth session the arrangements made by the Economic and Social Council in pursuance of paragraphs 3 and 4 above;

6. Endorses the arrangements for co-operation between the reconstituted Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Joint Inspection Unit outlined

⁴⁹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-seventh Session*, document E/4748/Rev.1.

⁵⁰ United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.69.I.23 and corrigendum.

⁵¹ E/4744 (vol. I), E/4744 (vol. I)/Add.1 and Corr.1, E/4744 (vol. II) and Corr.1 and 3.

⁵² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-seventh Session*, document E/4748/Rev.1, chapter III, recommendation A.