

Considering further the report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations in training national technical personnel for the accelerated industrialization of the developing countries,¹⁵

1. Requests the Secretary-General, in close co-operation with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and in consultation with the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and other international organs and organizations belonging to the United Nations system, to prepare a report containing specific recommendations on the training of national technical personnel for the accelerated industrialization of the developing countries, taking into account the results achieved during the First United Nations Development Decade and the aims established for the Second United Nations Development Decade, for submission to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-first session;

2. Requests the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in consultation and co-operation with the United Nations Development Programme and other organizations belonging to the United Nations system, to intensify its efforts for the training of national technical personnel for the accelerated industrialization of the developing countries.

1823rd plenary meeting,
5 December 1969.

2529 (XXIV). Establishment of an intergovernmental tourism organization

The General Assembly,

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General¹⁶ transmitting the report of the Intergovernmental Conference on Tourism, held at Sofia in May 1969, and the resolution adopted at that Conference on the creation of an intergovernmental tourism organization,

Having also considered the report of the Secretary-General¹⁷ called for in Economic and Social Council resolution 1449 (XLVII) of 7 August 1969,

Taking into account resolution XXI/5 of 5 November 1969 adopted by the General Assembly of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations at its twenty-first session,¹⁸ held at Dublin from 28 October to 5 November 1969, on the adaptation of the Union to its present and future responsibilities,

Acknowledging the vital contribution that international tourism is making to the economic, social, cultural and educational progress of mankind and in safeguarding world peace,

Taking into account the important role that tourism can play in the national economy, particularly in that of the developing countries,

Considering the active interest taken by the United Nations, its organs and specialized agencies in various fields related to tourism, and the continuing need for co-ordination of their activities in these fields,

¹⁵ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes, agenda item 43, document A/7595/Add.1.

¹⁶ E/4653/Add.1 and Corr.1.

¹⁷ E/4750 and Corr.1.

¹⁸ See E/4750/Add.1.

Conscious of the leading role that the Union has hitherto played in the field of tourism and the technical ability and experience that it has built up,

Recognizing, nevertheless, that the operational capacity of the Union in the field of tourism has been limited by its status as a non-governmental organization,

Taking note of the determination, reaffirmed by the General Assembly of the Union in its resolution XXI/5, to set up as promptly as possible and by the most appropriate means a tourism organization of an intergovernmental character,

Further taking note that in that resolution the Union recognized that the procedure indicated by the Intergovernmental Conference on Tourism for the creation of an intergovernmental tourism organization within the United Nations does not necessarily constitute the only means of establishing the best organization for world tourism,

1. Believes that a formula that would allow agreement to be reached more readily among Governments for the establishment of an international tourism organization of an intergovernmental character, particularly to assist the developing countries, would be:

(a) The conversion of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations into an intergovernmental organization through a revision of its statutes;

(b) The establishment of operational links between the United Nations and the transformed Union by means of a formal agreement;

2. Takes note of the recommendation contained in resolution XXI/5 of the General Assembly of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations requesting the President of the Union to entrust a working group with the preparation of its draft revised statutes, bearing in mind the principles laid down by the General Assembly of the Union at its twentieth session, held in Tokyo in October 1967, and by the Intergovernmental Conference on Tourism, held at Sofia in May 1969, and to convene an extraordinary General Assembly of the Union to draw up and adopt the statutes of an intergovernmental organization;

3. Recommends those States whose national official tourist organizations are members of the Union to take joint action at its forthcoming extraordinary General Assembly to amend the statutes of the Union in order to give the organization an intergovernmental character;

4. Invites States whose national official tourist organizations are members of the Union to approve and adopt, in accordance with their respective internal procedures, the procedure outlined in paragraph 3 above for the creation of an international tourism organization of an intergovernmental character and, accordingly, to give the necessary instructions and powers to their representatives to the Union;

5. Decides that, once the statutes of the Union have been changed:

(a) An agreement between the United Nations and the Union should be concluded which would establish close co-operation and relationships between the United Nations and the transformed Union, define the modalities of such co-operation and relationships and recognize the decisive and central role that the Union is to play in the field of world tourism in co-operation with the existing machinery within the United Nations;

(b) The Union should function as an executing agency of the United Nations Development Programme and participate in the activities of the Programme in order to assist in the preparation and implementation of technical assistance and pre-investment projects in the field of tourism, financed by the Programme, and consideration should be given to enabling the Union to function as a participating and executing agency of the Programme;

(c) Necessary procedures should be elaborated to enable the Union to submit, for the consideration of the Economic and Social Council, recommendations and proposals relating to international agreements to be drawn up in the field of tourism;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Secretary-General of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, to prepare a report containing concrete proposals on measures to be taken for the full implementation of the provisions mentioned in paragraph 5 above, for submission to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-ninth session.

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5 December 1969.*

2560 (XXIV). Marine science

The General Assembly,

Recalling the considerations set forth in its resolution 2172 (XXI) of 6 December 1966,

Having noted with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Marine science and technology: survey and proposals",¹⁹ submitted in response to resolution 2172 (XXI),

Noting also the note by the Secretary-General on the establishment of an intersecretariat committee,²⁰ which arose out of the suggestion of the Secretary-General in his report on marine science and technology,

Recognizing the growing awareness of the importance of the oceans to the progress of mankind,

Aware of the need to obtain more information concerning the oceans and their resources,

Recalling the request in its resolution 2414 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 that the Secretary-General present a comprehensive outline of the scope of a long-term and expanded programme of oceanic exploration and research, of which the international decade of ocean exploration will be an important element, taking into account the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and in co-operation with other interested international organizations,

Recalling also the request in its resolution 2467 D (XXIII) of 21 December 1968 that the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission intensify its activities in the scientific field, co-operate with the Secretary-General in the preparation of the comprehensive outline and report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session on progress made in the implementation of that resolution,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 1470 (XLVII) of 17 November 1969 by which the Council

¹⁹ E/4487 and Corr.1-6 and Add.1 and 2.

²⁰ A/C.2/247.

transmitted the comprehensive outline to the General Assembly,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the comprehensive outline of the scope of a long-term and expanded programme of oceanic exploration and research, of which the international decade of ocean exploration will be an important element, forwarded by the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to the Secretary-General and annexed to a note by the Secretary-General on this subject;²¹

2. *Reaffirms* its conviction that any exploration or research carried out under the long-term and expanded programme shall be exclusively scientific in nature and that all such activities falling under the national jurisdiction of a State shall be subject to the previous consent of such State, in accordance with international law;

3. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and its Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission to keep that programme up to date and consider its implementation in appropriate stages, in co-operation with other interested organizations, in particular the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Meteorological Organization and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization;

4. *Urges* Member States to co-operate with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission in the implementation of that programme in appropriate stages;

5. *Commends* the close working relations that have developed between the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Meteorological Organization and the Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization, including the establishment of the Intersecretariat Committee on Scientific Programmes relating to Oceanography, which consists of representatives of the latter organizations, to further, in consultation with the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, the common aspects of the work of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and those organizations;

6. *Requests* the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the organizations mentioned in paragraph 5 above to continue to work closely together for the furtherance of their common objectives, within their own terms of reference;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council on the progress made in the updating and implementation of that programme.

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13 December 1969.*

2561 (XXIV). Public administration and development

The General Assembly,

Taking into account its previous resolutions with regard to the role of public administration in economic and social development, especially resolutions 723 (VIII) of 23 October 1953, 1024 (XI) of 21 Decem-

²¹ A/7750.