

490 (XVI). Report of the Universal Postal Union

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report¹⁹ of the Universal Postal Union.

715th plenary meeting,
7 July 1953.

491 (XVI). Report of the World Meteorological Organization

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report²⁰ of the World Meteorological Organization.

716th plenary meeting,
8 July 1953.

492 (XVI). Technical assistance

A

REGULAR PROGRAMME OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with satisfaction of the report²¹ by the Secretary-General concerning the Regular United Nations Programme of Technical Assistance.

747th plenary meeting,
3 August 1953.

B

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Economic and Social Council

1. Takes note of the report²² of the Secretary-General on the programme of technical assistance in public administration and of the organizational measures which he has taken in that connexion;

2. Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Noting that the programme of activities and organizational arrangements developed by the Secretary-General in consultation with the Economic and Social Council in response to General Assembly resolution 246 (III) of 4 December 1948, and placed on a continuing basis in accordance with General Assembly resolution 518 (VI), are no longer adequately covered by the terms of resolution 246 (III),

"Noting further that the aforementioned activities now form an integral part of a wider programme of assistance to governments in the field of public administration, including aspects other than training,

"Recognizing the increasingly important role of governmental administration in programmes for the promotion of economic development and social welfare,

¹⁹ See document E/2383.

²⁰ See document E/2428.

²¹ See document E/2414.

²² See document E/2415.

"1. Approves a revised United Nations programme in public administration comprising:

"(a) The provision, at the request of governments, of technical assistance related to public administration, including training for public service, through:

"(i) The advisory services of experts;

"(ii) Fellowships and scholarships;

"(iii) Training institutes, seminars, conferences, working groups and other means;

"(iv) The provision of technical publications;

"(b) The collection, analysis and exchange of technical information in the field of public administration, in collaboration, where appropriate, with the International Institute of Administrative Sciences and other appropriate institutions, and assistance to governments to promote, by all suitable means, sound public administration, in relation to economic and social development;

"2. Authorizes the Secretary-General to continue to include in the budgetary estimates of the United Nations the funds necessary for carrying out an effective operational programme based on the provision of the above services and, in addition, to finance such activities from funds made available from the United Nations Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, provided that in the latter case such assistance is related to the economic development of under-developed countries;

"3. Reaffirms the principle by which each requesting government shall continue to be expected to assume responsibility, as far as possible, for all or part of the expenses connected with the services furnished to it;

"4. Requests the Secretary-General to report regularly to the Economic and Social Council on activities carried on under this programme."

748th plenary meeting,
4 August 1953.

C

EXPANDED PROGRAMME OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

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Co-ordinated country technical assistance programmes

The Economic and Social Council

1. Takes note of the memorandum²³ by the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board outlining the measures adopted for improving the procedures whereby co-ordinated country technical assistance programmes may be developed at the country level;

2. Requests the Technical Assistance Board to report to the Technical Assistance Committee, at a later session, on the results obtained by putting these proposals into effect;

3. Recalls, in this connexion, General Assembly resolution 519 (VI), paragraph 13, requesting those

²³ See document E/TAC/12.