

of Libya in accordance with General Assembly resolution 289 (IV) recommending that "Libya, comprising Cyrenaica, Tripolitania and the Fezzan, shall be constituted as an independent and sovereign State", and that this independence was achieved on 24 December 1951 in accordance with that resolution,

Having consulted with the Government of the United Kingdom of Libya, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 515 (VI), concerning ways and means by which the United Nations, with the co-operation of all governments and the specialized agencies, could furnish additional assistance to Libya to finance its fundamental and urgent programmes of economic and social development,

Having examined the memorandum²⁹ submitted by the Libyan Government, and having heard the statements³⁰ made by its representative,

Considering that it is open to governments to assist Libya through any appropriate mechanisms within the United Nations that may be available for receiving voluntary contributions, or through other channels acceptable to the Libyan Government,

1. *Transmits* the relevant documentation³¹ and summary records³² of the Council to the eighth regular session of the General Assembly;

2. *Recommends* to the General Assembly:

(a) To invite all governments which are in a position to do so to provide, in the spirit of the United Nations Charter and within their possibilities, financial and technical assistance to Libya in order to assist in Libya's economic development;

(b) To recommend that, if and when further means become available for assisting in the financing of the development of under-developed areas, due consideration be given by the United Nations and the specialized agencies to the specific development needs of Libya;

(c) To request the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies concerned to continue to waive local costs and to give all possible favourable consideration to the requests of Libya for technical assistance, taking into account the special needs of Libya and the principles of the technical assistance programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies.

*747th plenary meeting,
3 August 1953.*

494 (XVI). Report of the Social Commission (ninth session)

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report³³ of the Social Commission (ninth session), with the exception of Chapters III and IV;³⁴

²⁹ See document E/2469 and Corr.1.

³⁰ See document E/SR.746.

³¹ See document E/2469 and Corr.1.

³² See documents E/SR.746 and 747.

³³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixteenth Session, Supplement No. 7.*

³⁴ For the Council's action on Chapters III and IV, see resolutions 495 (XVI) and 496 (XVI) respectively.

2. *Approves* the work programme³⁵ for 1954-1955 drawn up by the Social Commission at its ninth session;

3. *Invites* the attention of the Social Commission, for its general guidance, to the records³⁶ of the discussions on these subjects at the sixteenth session of the Council.

*736th plenary meeting,
23 July 1953.*

495 (XVI). Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Children's Emer- gency Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering the world-wide disproportion between the magnitude of the social service tasks to be undertaken and the available means of implementation,

Considering the role that the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund plays in the whole international programme for the protection of the child,

Considering that the Fund's activities are useful, not only because they realize some of the high objectives which have been adopted by the United Nations, but also because they create favourable conditions for the development of the long-range economic and social programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, particularly the World Health Organization and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

Considering the urgent need for continuing the work of UNICEF, particularly in the under-developed regions of the world,

Considering that the number of governments making contributions to UNICEF has increased constantly since 1950,

1. *Is of the opinion* that the regulations which govern the activity of UNICEF have enabled it to achieve satisfactory techniques, to acquire valuable experience and to accomplish its task successfully;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly reaffirm the pertinent provisions of its resolutions 57 (I) and 417 (V), with the exception of any reference to time limits contained in these resolutions;

3. *Further recommends* that the General Assembly:

(a) Change the name of the organization to the *United Nations Children's Fund*, retaining the symbol UNICEF;

(b) Request the Economic and Social Council to continue to review periodically the work of UNICEF and to make recommendations to the General Assembly as appropriate;

(c) Request the Secretary-General:

(i) To ensure that the programmes carried on by UNICEF continue to be co-ordinated effectively with the regular and technical assistance programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies;

³⁵ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixteenth Session, Supplement No. 7, Annex II.*

³⁶ See documents E/AC.7/SR.234-236 and E/SR.736.