

Recalling that, by resolution 531 C (XVIII) adopted by the Council on 4 August 1954, the Secretary-General was requested to include in his next *World Economic Report* an analysis of factors tending to limit expansion of international trade, and to include in such an analysis a study on a global basis of the problems involved in promoting the development of trade within and between various geographical and currency areas, it being understood that the Secretary-General would, in the preparation of that analysis, make use of the valuable work being done by experts under the auspices of the regional economic commissions,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a technical report on the practical conditions under which effect might usefully be given to resolution 5 (IX) of the Economic Commission for Europe;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General to communicate this report to the three regional economic commissions, so that they may give their opinion on the whole question at their next session;

3. *Decides* to resume consideration of the question at its twentieth session on the basis of (a) the next *World Economic Report*, (b) the Secretary-General's technical report, and (c) the comments of the regional economic commissions.

*829th plenary meeting,
5 August 1954.*

536 (XVIII). Report of the Statistical Commission (eighth session)

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report¹⁸ of the Statistical Commission (eighth session).

*793rd plenary meeting,
29 June 1954.*

537 (XVIII). Transport and communications

A

POLLUTION OF SEA WATER

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 518 B (XVII) on pollution of sea water,

Having examined the report¹⁹ by the Secretary-General on the results of the London Conference on pollution of sea water,

1. *Considers* that it is no longer necessary to establish the committee of experts foreseen in resolution 468 B (XV);

2. *Instructs* the Secretary-General:

(a) To discontinue the action with respect to the convening of this committee;

(b) To give effect, in consultation with the governments represented at the London Conference, to the request expressed by that conference in its resolu-

¹⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 5.*

¹⁹ See document E/2609.

tion No. 8 on the collection and dissemination by the appropriate organ of the United Nations of technical information about oil pollution, and to keep the Transport and Communications Commission informed of the performance of this task by the Secretariat, so long as the Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization shall not have been established.

*749th plenary meeting,
30 June 1954.*

B

CUSTOMS FORMALITIES FOR THE TEMPORARY IMPORTATION OF PRIVATE ROAD VEHICLES AND FOR TOURISM

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 468 F (XV) on the subject of customs formalities for the temporary importation of private road vehicles and for tourism,

Having examined the report²⁰ by the Secretary-General on the United Nations conference on the above subject, held in New York from 11 May to 4 June 1954,

1. *Notes* with appreciation the results achieved by the conference;

2. *Expresses* the hope that the instruments prepared and opened for signature by the conference will early enter into force upon ratification by the required number of governments.

*795th plenary meeting,
1 July 1954.*

538 (XVIII). Report of the International Civil Aviation Organization

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report²¹ of the International Civil Aviation Organization on its activities in 1953.

*815th plenary meeting,
23 July 1954.*

539 (XVIII). Report of the Universal Postal Union

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the report²² of the Universal Postal Union.

*795th plenary meeting,
1 July 1954.*

540 (XVIII). Reports of the International Telecommunication Union

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the reports²³ of the International Telecommunication Union for the years 1952 and 1953.

*823rd plenary meeting,
2 August 1954.*

²⁰ See document E/2617.

²¹ See documents E/2593 and Add.1 and 2.

²² See document E/2539.

²³ See documents E/2461 and E/2611.