

543 (XVIII). United Nations Children's Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the decision of the General Assembly, in its resolution 802 (VIII), to continue the activities of the United Nations Children's Fund without time-limits,

Considering that thereby new prospects have been created for promoting UNICEF child welfare activities,

Having considered the reports³² of the Executive Board of UNICEF and the report³³ by the Secretary-General under General Assembly resolution 802 (VIII),

1. *Notes* the reports with satisfaction;

2. *Considers* that further efforts are desirable to familiarize the public with the needs of children and the work of UNICEF;

3. *Invites* all States Members and non-members of the United Nations to continue their efforts to expand the resources of UNICEF;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to supplement, not later than 1956, his report on co-ordination of the UNICEF programmes with the regular and technical assistance programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, paying particular attention to the further development of co-ordinating devices to assure solution of specific problems.

*795th plenary meeting,
1 July 1954.*

544 (XVIII). Relief and rehabilitation of Korea

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report³⁴ of the Agent General of the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency and the comments³⁵ thereon by the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea.

*828th plenary meeting,
5 August 1954.*

545 (XVIII). Report of the Commission on Human Rights (tenth session)

A

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report³⁶ of the Commission on Human Rights (tenth session).

*820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.*

³² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplements Nos. 2 and 2A.*

³³ See document E/2601.

³⁴ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Eighth Session, Supplement No. 14.*

³⁵ See document A/2586.

³⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 7.*

³⁷ See documents E/AC.7/SR.286 to 289 and E/SR.820.

B

DRAFT INTERNATIONAL COVENANTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS

I

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Transmits* to the General Assembly the draft International Covenants on Human Rights submitted to the Council by the Commission on Human Rights in the report³⁶ on its tenth session, together with the report of the Commission and the records³⁷ of the proceedings of the Council at its eighteenth session on this subject;

2. *Draws the attention* of the General Assembly to the suggestions about procedure contained in paragraph 39 of the report of the Commission on Human Rights;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the draft International Covenants and the parts of the report of the Commission on Human Rights concerning them to the special attention of the governments of States Members and non-members of the United Nations, and to collect any comments they may have to make.

*820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.*

II

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the resolution³⁸ of the Commission on Human Rights on the question of reservations,

Transmits to the General Assembly, at its ninth session, the proposals and amendments³⁹ together with the pertinent summary records⁴⁰ of the discussion in the Commission on the problem of the admissibility or non-admissibility of reservations to the covenants on human rights and the effect to be attributed to them.

*820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.*

C

STUDY OF DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the resolution⁴¹ of the Commission on Human Rights on the study of discrimination in employment and occupation,

1. *Invites* the International Labour Organisation to undertake a study of discrimination in the field of employment and occupation, that study to be carried out on a global basis in accordance with article 2, paragraph 2, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; to provide the Sub-Commission on Prevention of

³⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 7*, paragraph 305.

³⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 7, Annex II.

⁴⁰ See documents E/CN.4/SR.442 to 449.

⁴¹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 7*, paragraph 485.

Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, through the Secretary-General, with an interim report in time for its seventh session; and to transmit to it, in the same manner, the results of this study when completed;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General, other specialized agencies, and non-governmental organizations to place at the disposal of the International Labour Organisation material available to them relating to discrimination in employment and occupation.

820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.

D

FUTURE PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES IN THE FIELD OF PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the decision of the Commission on Human Rights, in paragraph 495 of the report⁴² on its tenth session, to take no action to revise the plan of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities for studies in the field of prevention of discrimination,

Noting that among the topics the Sub-Commission proposes to study is discrimination in relation to "emigration, immigration, and travel";

Recalling that article 13 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights recognizes that:

"1. Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each State;

"2. Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country";

Requests the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to take as the objective of its study in this field paragraph 2 of article 13 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, namely—the right of everyone to "leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country".

820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.

E

COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES AND THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The Economic and Social Council,

Having noted the resolution⁴³ of the Commission on Human Rights on collaboration between the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and the specialized agencies,

⁴³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 7.*

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, paragraph 506.

1. *Invites* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other interested specialized agencies to give their attention to the Sub-Commission's programme of work when selecting fields and subjects for research, with a view to facilitating and supplementing the studies to be undertaken by the Sub-Commission;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, to this end, in relation to studies approved by the Council, to provide direct means of contact between the Sub-Commission and whatever specialized agency or agencies may have been invited by the Council to co-operate with respect to an approved study.

820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.

F

FUTURE SESSIONS OF THE SUB-COMMISSION ON PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION AND PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

The Economic and Social Council,

Having noted the resolution⁴⁴ of the Commission on Human Rights on the future sessions of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

Recalling Council resolution 502 A (XVI), by which it was decided that "the Sub-Commission shall meet at least once a year and that each session shall last three weeks",

Decides to authorize the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to hold in 1955 a session of four weeks' duration.

820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.

G

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL RESPECT FOR THE RIGHT OF PEOPLES AND NATIONS TO SELF-DETERMINATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that the Commission on Human Rights, in submitting to the Council for transmission to the General Assembly draft resolutions I and II which appear in draft resolution F of Annex IV of the report⁴⁵ of the Commission, pointed out that these recommendations are not exhaustive and that it has therefore decided to retain this item on the agenda of its next session,

Bearing in mind that during the Council's discussions on this problem various delegations expressed opinions on the substance of draft resolutions I and II,

Decides to transmit these draft resolutions to the Commission on Human Rights, together with the records⁴⁶ of the meetings of the Council and the Social Committee

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, paragraph 518.

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 7.

⁴⁶ See documents E/SR.820 and E/AC.7/SR.289 to 292.

on this question, so that it may reconsider them in the light of the Council's discussions.

*820th plenary meeting,
29 July 1954.*

546 (XVIII). Conference of non-governmental organizations interested in the eradication of prejudice and discrimination

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report⁴⁷ by the Secretary-General on the advisability of convening a conference of non-governmental organizations interested in the eradication of prejudice and discrimination,

Noting that the majority of non-governmental organizations consider it advisable to convene such a conference in accordance with General Assembly resolution 479 (V),

1. *Decides* to authorize the Secretary-General to convene such a conference in which interested non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council may:

(a) Exchange views concerning the most effective means of combating discrimination;

(b) Co-ordinate their endeavours in this work if they find it desirable and feasible;

(c) Consider the possibility of establishing common objectives and programmes;

2. *Determines* that each non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council shall be invited to send an authorized representative to the conference;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights:

(a) To prepare the provisional agenda of the Conference, bearing in mind the objectives set forth in paragraph 1 above and the related comments of the non-governmental organizations given in the Secretary-General's report;

(b) To decide upon the appropriate duration of the conference which, in any case, should not exceed three days;

(c) To fix the date and place of the conference during the period set aside for the eleventh session of the Commission on Human Rights, in order that it may use any facilities provided for but not fully required by the Commission;

(d) To make other necessary arrangements in connexion with the conference;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite interested specialized agencies:

(a) To make available to the conference relevant studies;

(b) To make such observations as they deem appropriate to the conference;

5. *Requests* the Commission on Human Rights to direct the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to include in its sub-

⁴⁷ See documents E/2608 and Add.1 and 2.

sequent report to the Commission its observations on the proceedings of the conference.

*824th plenary meeting,
3 August 1954.*

547 (XVIII). Status of women

A

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report⁴⁸ of the Commission on the Status of Women (eighth session).

*805th plenary meeting,
12 July 1954.*

B

CONVENTION ON POLITICAL RIGHTS OF WOMEN

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that the Convention on Political Rights of Women, approved by General Assembly resolution 640 (VII) of 20 December 1952, was opened for signature and ratification or accession by States Members of the United Nations on 30 March 1953,

Noting also that, by resolution 793 (VIII) of 23 October 1953, the General Assembly invited signature and ratification of, or accession to, this Convention by non-member States which are or become members of one or more of the specialized agencies of the United Nations or are or become Parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice,

Considering its resolution 504 E (XVI) of 23 July 1953, by which it urged Member States which have not yet done so to sign and ratify or accede to this Convention,

Reiterates its appeal to Member States of the United Nations and *recommends* to non-member States which have been so invited by the General Assembly, to sign, ratify or accede to the Convention on the Political Rights of Women.

*805th plenary meeting,
12 July 1954.*

C

DRAFT CONVENTION ON THE NATIONALITY OF MARRIED WOMEN

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the recommendation⁴⁹ made by the Commission on the Status of Women at its eighth session that a convention on the nationality of married women be opened for signature and ratification or accession by interested States,

Considering that the time is appropriate for an international convention on the nationality of married

⁴⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Eighteenth Session, Supplement No. 6.*

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 6, Chapter IV.