

# RESOLUTIONS

adopted by the ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

during the first part of its nineteenth session from 29 March to 7 April 1955

## 560 (XIX). Economic development of under-developed countries

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Having made a preliminary examination of the report on *Processes and Problems of Industrialization in Under-Developed Countries*<sup>1</sup> and of the working papers (E/2604 and Corr.1 and 2, E/2689 and E/2690) dealing generally with problems of industrialization and of raising productivity in under-developed countries, submitted by the Secretary-General pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 521 (VI) and 522 (VI) and Council resolutions 416 F (XIV), 461 (XV) and 532 C (XVIII).

Believing that industrialization integrated with other forms of development is essential for rapid economic and social advancement in under-developed countries,

Noting that the efforts made in these countries to promote their industrialization in the last few years bring out the need for further energetic international co-operation to accelerate this progress,

Recognizing the need for studies of particular aspects of the problem of how to promote integrated economic and social development in under-developed countries,

Recognizing further the importance of studies of methods to raise industrial productivity in under-developed areas,

1. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the useful studies he has placed before the Council;

2. *Recommends* that the "Bibliography on the Processes and Problems of Industrialization in Under-Developed Countries"<sup>2</sup> be kept up to date by the issuance of periodic supplements, and that the Bibliography be amplified to include information regarding pertinent research projects being carried out by Governments, universities and scientific institutions;

3. *Recommends* that, pending the approval by the Council of the survey and programme of work referred to in this resolution, the Secretary-General, in continuing the studies on economic development, take into account the discussions on this item in the Council;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare and submit to the Council at its twenty-first session a survey of the work currently being undertaken under the aegis of the United Nations, including the specialized agencies, in matters relating to industrial de-

velopment and the improvement of industrial productivity;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the light of this survey, the study on *Processes and Problems of Industrialization in Under-Developed Countries* and the related discussion at the present session of the Council, to prepare and submit to the Council at its twenty-first session a programme of work planned with particular reference to the question of accelerating industrialization and raising productivity in under-developed countries and of utilizing available forms of international assistance as fully and efficiently as possible for this end, taking into account at the same time the important implications of international trade on that question;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to indicate which parts of this programme might appropriately be undertaken by the regional economic commissions, taking full advantage of their resources and aptitudes;

7. *Invites* the Secretary-General to transmit this resolution to Member States and to draw their attention to the studies on the problems relating to industrialization mentioned in the first paragraph of the preamble of this resolution.

847th plenary meeting,  
7 April 1955.

## 561 (XIX). Report of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

*The Economic and Social Council*

Takes note of the report of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.<sup>3</sup>

847th plenary meeting,  
7 April 1955.

## 562 (XIX). Report of the International Monetary Fund

*The Economic and Social Council*

Takes note of the report of the International Monetary Fund.<sup>4</sup>

845th plenary meeting,  
6 April 1955.

<sup>3</sup> International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, *Ninth Annual Report to the Board of Governors 1953-1954*, Washington, D.C. (E/2668), and *Supplement to the Ninth Annual Report* (E/2668/Add.1).

<sup>4</sup> International Monetary Fund, *Annual Report of the Executive Directors for the Fiscal Year ended April 30, 1954*, Washington, D.C. (E/2661), and *Summary of Activities May 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954* (E/2661/Add.1).

<sup>1</sup> E/2670. United Nations publication, Sales No.: 1955.II.B.1.

<sup>2</sup> E/2538.