

drug addiction in consultation with the World Health Organization, the Social Commission and other bodies concerned;

2. *Notes* the view expressed by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs that in the treatment of drug addiction methods of ambulatory treatment (including the so-called clinic method) are not advisable;

3. *Expresses* its appreciation of the assistance given by the World Health Organization and *requests* that Organization to prepare:

(a) An up-to-date study on appropriate methods for treating drug addicts;

(b) Information on methods and precautions which could assist the medical profession in prescribing narcotic drugs;

4. *Recommends* that Governments concerned take appropriate measures:

(a) To establish, if they have not already done so, the necessary arrangements for collecting information on the extent and character of drug addiction in their countries;

(b) To submit such statistics on the lines of the form of annual reports as revised by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;

(c) To warn the members of the medical and related professions, when appropriate, of the special dangers to public health that might be caused by any new narcotic drug placed on the market, and to invite them to study the desirability and possibility of prohibiting the production and use of such synthetic narcotic drugs as they do not consider indispensable to public health.

*890th plenary meeting,
3 August 1955.*

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CONTROL AND LIMITATION OF DOCUMENTATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 557 A (XVIII) on the organization and operation of the Council and its commissions,

Having been informed that the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its tenth session agreed with the proposal⁸⁸ to withdraw the request to the Secretary-General for the preparation of a digest of laws relating to the control of narcotic drugs, having regard to the communication to Parties to the Conventions of legislative texts under article 21 of the Convention of 1931 and the preparation by the Secretary-General of an analytical summary and cumulative index thereof,

Rescinds the decision in its resolution 49 (IV) regarding the preparation of a digest of laws.

*890th plenary meeting,
3 August 1955.*

⁸⁸ E/2598, para. 26.

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INVITATIONS TO SPAIN TO BECOME A PARTY TO THE PROTOCOLS OF 1946 AND 1948 ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to transmit to the Government of Spain a copy of the 1946 Protocol on Narcotic Drugs;⁸⁹

2. *Invites* the Government of Spain to adhere to the Protocol of 1948 on Narcotic Drugs⁹⁰ in accordance with paragraph 1 of article 5 of the said Protocol.

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3 August 1955.*

589 (XX). Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Economic and Social Council,

Having taken note of the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees with the annexed report of the United Nations Refugee Fund (UNREF) Executive Committee,⁹¹ and the progress which has been made in the implementation of resolution 832 (IX) of the General Assembly,

Noting with satisfaction the special schemes which have been undertaken, particularly by certain European countries, for the resettlement of refugees within the mandate of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in order to relieve the burden of the countries which have given them asylum,

Noting that although substantial contributions have been made to the United Nations Refugee Fund by Governments and as a result of public appeals, the total contributions which have been made so far by Governments fall short of the target approved for 1955,

1. *Expresses the hope* that, in order to supplement the increased efforts which are being made under the UNREF programme to promote the economic integration, in their present countries of residence, of refugees within the mandate of the High Commissioner, particularly those living in camps, other countries will continue to include a reasonable number of such refugees in any schemes of immigration which they may undertake;

2. *Urges* States Members and non-members of the United Nations to contribute to the United Nations Refugee Fund so that the approved targets for this Fund may be reached within the established time limits.

*889th plenary meeting,
29 July 1955.*

⁸⁹ United Nations publication. Sales No.: 1947.XI.1.

⁹⁰ E/NT/7. United Nations publication. Sales No.: 1949.XI.6.

⁹¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Tenth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/2902 and Add.1)*, transmitted to the Council under documents E/2746 and Add.1.