

RESOLUTIONS

adopted by the ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
during its resumed twentieth session from 5 to 15 December 1955

592 (XX). International machinery for trade co-operation

The Economic and Social Council,

Having in mind the efforts already made and measures undertaken as well as those projected for the establishment of international machinery for assisting in the expansion of world trade,

Considering the increasing need and wide-spread desire for having international machinery, within the framework of the United Nations, to facilitate the development of international trade,

Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a report on international procedures and bodies concerned with the development of trade co-operation and to transmit it to Member States by 30 April 1956 or as soon as possible thereafter.

*897th plenary meeting,
7 December 1955.*

593 (XX). Report of the Economic Commission for Latin America (sixth session)

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Economic Commission for Latin America (sixth session);¹

2. *Considers* that the work programme of the Commission as established at the sixth session² held at Bogotá, Colombia, from 29 August to 16 September 1955, is of primary importance for the economic development of Latin America;

3. *Endorses* the priorities allocated by the Commission to the individual work projects.

*897th plenary meeting,
7 December 1955.*

594 (XX). Question of the admission of new members to the Economic Commission for Europe

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that the Federal Republic of Germany is a member of various specialized agencies of the United Nations,

Considering that the presence of the Federal Republic of Germany in the Economic Commission for Europe would further the unity of purpose of that Commission,

1. *Decides* to amend paragraph 7 of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Europe³ to include the Federal Republic of Germany as a member of the Commission, provided that the said State applies for such membership and agrees to contribute annually such equitable amounts as the General Assembly shall assess from time to time in accordance with procedures established by the General Assembly in similar cases;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to undertake such consultations and further steps as may be required to obtain the agreement of the Federal Republic of Germany and the General Assembly to the inclusion of the contributions of the said State in the United Nations budget.

*899th plenary meeting,
15 December 1955.*

595 (XX). Question of the terms of reference of the Economic, Employment and Development Commission

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its decision at the thirteenth session to discontinue the Economic, Employment and Development Commission until 31 December 1954,⁴ and its subsequent decision at the eighteenth session by which the Secretary-General was requested to submit a report bearing on the question of the terms of reference of the Commission,⁵

Having noted the report of the Secretary-General,⁶

Bearing in mind its resolution 557 (XVIII) on the organization and operation of the Council and its commissions,

Believing that while the Commission has done valuable work in the past, its functions are at present adequately performed by the Council itself with the assistance of the Secretariat and, under the supervision of the Council, by the Council's committees, regional commissions and other subsidiary organs or *ad hoc* bodies established by the Council,

Decides not to reactivate the Commission at present.

*896th plenary meeting,
7 December 1955.*

³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirteenth Session, Supplement No. 1*, appendix II. See also Council resolution 517 B (XVII).

⁴ See Council resolution 414 (XIII), para. 18 (b).

⁵ See Council resolution 557 C I (XVIII).

⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twentieth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 16, document E/2665 and Corr.1.

¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 10A (E/2796/Rev.1)*.

² *Ibid.*, part V.