

procedures for the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance.

*Recognizing* also that there exists a variety of national programmes of economic development and of bilateral and multilateral programmes of economic and technical assistance,

*Believing* that careful co-ordination in planning as well as in implementing development programmes is essential to the most effective utilization of the available resources,

*Being further convinced* that it is the role of the recipient Governments to co-ordinate their economic and social development programmes,

*Noting* that the co-ordinating committees of several recipient Governments have established standard procedures whereby requests for assistance are accompanied by statements specifying the relationship, if any, of an Expanded Programme project to the projects in operation or planned under other programmes,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the conclusion stated by the Technical Assistance Board in its report for 1956 to the Technical Assistance Committee that "the emphasis in co-ordination shifted from the negative aspect of elimination of over-lapping or duplication of efforts, to the more positive form of enhancing the value of projects through concerted effort to ensure the best timing of each action and the most effective combination of assistance coming from different sources";<sup>28</sup>

2. *Requests* the recipient Governments to continue their efforts to co-ordinate their technical assistance programmes in order to make them more effective;

3. *Recommends* that, when formulating plans and projects, recipient Governments endeavour increasingly to correlate the resources of the Expanded Programme with other programmes of economic and technical assistance in over-all integrated economic development programmes;

4. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to report to the Technical Assistance Committee, at its next summer session, on the implementation of the pertinent paragraphs of this resolution, particularly of paragraph 3 above.

*993rd plenary meeting,  
30 July 1957.*

## B

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having examined with interest* the report of the Technical Assistance Board entitled "Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance: A Forward Look"<sup>29</sup> and having noted the observations on it submitted by Governments,<sup>30</sup>

*Concurring* in the conclusion of that report to the effect that the needs of under-developed countries and

<sup>28</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/2965), para. 29.*

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid., Twenty-second Session, Annexes, agenda item 9, document E/2885.*

<sup>30</sup> E/TAC/64 and Add.1 to 3 and Add.2/Corr.1.

territories for technical assistance far exceed current resources,

*Considering* that the countries and territories participating in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance are now in a position effectively to make use of technical assistance on a larger scale than is at present available,

## I

1. *Regrets* that the programme of operations for 1958 is to be planned on a somewhat lower level than that of 1957;

2. *Appeals* to the participating Governments to consider, in the light of their economic conditions and particular circumstances, the possibility of increasing the financial resources of the Expanded Programme;

3. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to inform the participating Governments on the financial position and outlook of the Expanded Programme;

## II

1. *Believes* that the implementation of the more important projects reviewed in the report would considerably assist in accelerating the economic and social progress of under-developed countries;

2. *Recognizes*, however, that the desirable expansion of the work cannot be achieved with the present scope of the Expanded Programme but would call for substantially increased resources;

## III

*Requests* the Technical Assistance Board and *invites* the participating Governments to suggest measures which would make it possible to implement a substantially larger programme, including some of the more important projects described in the report, for discussion by the Technical Assistance Committee at the twenty-sixth session of the Council.

*993rd plenary meeting,  
30 July 1957.*

## 660 (XXIV). Technical assistance to the Trust Territory of Somaliland

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the action of the United Nations concerning the achievement of independence by the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 289 A (IV) of 21 November 1949,

*Recalling* that in accordance with that resolution the independence of Somaliland is to become effective by 1960,

*Recalling* that the General Assembly in its resolution 755 (VIII) of 9 December 1953, and in particular in paragraph 2 (e) thereof, recommended to Italy as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland that use of technical assistance facilities

provided by the United Nations and the specialized agencies to assist in economic development and in the improvement of social and educational conditions in the Territory should be encouraged.

*Noting* that Italy, as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland, and in accordance with resolution 755 (VIII) of the General Assembly and, in particular, paragraph 2 (e) thereof, is making use of technical assistance facilities provided by the United Nations and the specialized agencies to assist in economic development and in the improvement of social and educational conditions in the Territory.

*Noting* the provision of Council resolution 216 (VIII) of 10 February 1949, and *desirous* fully to co-operate with the Trusteeship Council in its efforts to extend to the Trust Territory of Somaliland the help and assistance which it needs in its progress towards independence.

*Requests* the Secretary-General, the specialized agencies concerned and the Technical Assistance Board to continue to give sympathetic consideration to the requests made on behalf of the Trust Territory of Somaliland for technical assistance, taking into account the needs of Somaliland and the principles of the Expanded Programme of

Technical Assistance, and also to consider favourably any request from the Administering Authority that local living costs for experts in connexion with such assistance be waived.

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#### 661 (XXIV). International Administrative Service

##### *The Economic and Social Council*

1. *Takes note* of the memorandum by the Secretary-General entitled "An International Administrative Service";<sup>31</sup>

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit his proposal to States Members of the United Nations and to the specialized agencies for their comments and, on the basis and in the light of these comments and paying special attention to the demand expressed for such services by the under-developed countries, to prepare a consolidated report for consideration by the Council at its twenty-sixth session.

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### Social questions

#### 650 (XXIV). Annual Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

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##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, with the annexed reports of the United Nations Refugee Fund Executive Committee on its fourth, fifth and sixth (special) sessions;<sup>32</sup>

*Takes note* of the report prepared by the High Commissioner for transmission to the twelfth regular session of the General Assembly.

989th plenary meeting,  
24 July 1957.

##### B

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* that the General Assembly, in its resolution 727 (VIII) of 23 October 1953, decided to review, not later than at its twelfth regular session, the arrangements for the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees with a view to determining whether the Office should be continued beyond 31 December 1958,

<sup>31</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-fourth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 4, document E/3017.

<sup>32</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twelfth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/3585)*, transmitted to the Council under documents E/3015 and Add.1 and 2.

*Noting* that the United Nations Refugee Fund Executive Committee, in paragraph 79 of the report on its fifth session,<sup>33</sup> unanimously decided to recommend that the Office of the High Commissioner be continued for a further period beyond 31 December 1958,

*Recognizing* that the need for international action on behalf of refugees will persist after that date,

*Appreciating* the valuable work which has been performed by the Office of the High Commissioner in this regard,

1. *Considers* that the Office of the High Commissioner should be continued for a period of five years from 1 January 1959;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly review, not later than at its seventeenth regular session, the arrangements for the Office of the High Commissioner, with a view to determining whether the Office should be further continued.

989th plenary meeting,  
24 July 1957.

##### C

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* the value of the United Nations Refugee Fund programme in achieving solutions for the problems of refugees,

<sup>33</sup> *Ibid.*, annex II, transmitted to the Council under document E/3015/Add.1