

2. *Invites* the participating organizations to make available to Governments, at their request, the information necessary to enable them to estimate whether or not fellowship programmes, requested by them and approved, are likely to be carried out in good time.

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700 (XXVI). Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance : country programming procedures

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 222 A (IX) of 15 August 1949, which established the basic principles guiding the extension of technical assistance under the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance, including those concerning the participation of requesting Governments,

Recalling also its resolution 542 B (XVIII) of 29 July 1954, which modified the earlier system of allocation of funds under the Expanded Programme, and established the basis for the present country programming procedures,

Considering that the country programming procedures have provided a satisfactory framework for extending technical assistance to requesting Governments, and that these procedures have, on the whole, been fulfilling the basic purposes that the Council had in view in passing resolution 542 B (XVIII),

Considering, further, that the experience gained thus far in the operation of the country programming procedures suggests that steps may be taken to make them even more effective, including a clarification of certain responsibilities of requesting Governments and the introduction of some further degree of flexibility in the execution of the Expanded Programme,

1. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to remind requesting Governments of their responsibilities under annex I of resolution 222 A (IX), including continuing support and progressive assumption of financial responsibility for the administration of projects initiated at their request under international auspices ;

2. *Requests* Governments, in submitting their country programmes, to make clear as far as possible to the Technical Assistance Board and the participating organizations, in the case of each project :

(a) Its relationship to any general development plan or programme ;

(b) The expected duration of the project and an indication of its expansion or contraction over that period ;

(c) The objectives expected to be achieved from its implementation ;

(d) Where appropriate, its relationship to any other similar or complementary project undertaken or requested under another existing technical assistance programme ;

3. *Requests* the Technical Assistance Board to make a study of the experience gained in working under the country programming procedures, including the exploration of possible means of permitting a further degree of flexibility in the execution of the Expanded Programme,

taking into account the views expressed and suggestions made at the summer session in 1958 of the Technical Assistance Committee, and to report on these matters to the Technical Assistance Committee, for consideration at its summer session in 1959.

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701 (XXVI). Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance : A Forward Look

The Economic and Social Council,

Agreeing with the statement of the Technical Assistance Board concerning the desirability of the Council giving some guidance to Governments on the financial requirements of both the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and the proposed Special Fund in the years immediately ahead,

Noting that the General Assembly has recognized that the Expanded Programme is of proven effectiveness in promoting the economic development of the less developed countries,

Believing that, in the light of the results so far achieved under the Expanded Programme, a continued gradual expansion in its activities and financial resources is desirable,

Recognizing that the hopes reflected in the report of the Technical Assistance Board entitled "A Forward Look",²¹ can be realized to a significant extent provided that :

(a) The continued gradual expansion of the Expanded Programme is not adversely affected by the establishment of the Special Fund ;

(b) The Special Fund is successfully initiated and that its resources are such as will enable it to assist in carrying out proposals along the lines of those suggested in the report entitled "A Forward Look",

1. *Expresses the hope* that the Expanded Programme for 1959 will be executed at a moderately higher level than that of 1958 ;

2. *Requests* the General Assembly to encourage Governments to continue to contribute to the Expanded Programme in amounts that will provide for the gradual expansion of the programme.

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702 (XXVI). Allocation of administrative and operational services costs between Regular and Expanded Programme budgets

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing the desirability of keeping as low as possible the administrative and operational services costs of the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance

²¹ *Ibid.*, *Twenty-second Session, Annexes*, agenda item 9, document E/2885.