

*Recognizing* that the appraisal of economically available energy resources in an under-developed country is a very important factor in its economic development,

*Taking into account* its resolution 711 A (XXVII) of 17 April 1959,

1. *Takes note* of the Secretary-General's report, which represents a useful inventory of the activities of the United Nations and other international organizations in the field of energy;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to develop a methodology for the appraisal of energy resources on a usefully comparable basis at the national, regional or other appropriate level;

3. *Invites* the Governments of Member States to provide the Secretary-General, at his request, with such information as may be required for developing this methodology;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to arrange, at the request of the Governments of interested Member States, for the preparation of seminars at the regional or other appropriate level to be held in order to promote better understanding of the economic problems connected with the development of energy resources in under-developed countries, taking into account the work done by governmental, inter-governmental and non-governmental organizations and institutions;

5. *Decides* that experts from scientific institutions and interested sectors of industry in participating countries may, at the request of their Governments, take part in such seminars.

*1060th plenary meeting,  
17 April 1959.*

**711 (XXVII). Economic development  
of under-developed countries: industrialization and energy**

**A**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having examined* the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Work done and recommendations concerning energy development",<sup>10</sup> the report of the Advisory Committee on the Work Programme on Industrialization<sup>6</sup> and the progress report by the Secretary-General on implementation of the work programme on industrialization,<sup>5</sup>

*Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its twenty-eighth session on the feasibility and potential usefulness of collecting, analysing and disseminating the experience obtained in multilateral, regional, bilateral and national technical assistance projects and related activities in the field of industrialization and energy resources.

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17 April 1959.*

**B**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 1319 (XIII) of 12 December 1958,

*Taking note* of the report of the Symposium on the Development of Petroleum Resources of Asia and the Far East<sup>11</sup> referred to therein,

*Believing* that the Symposium has shown the value to Governments of exchanging information at the technical level concerning the development of their petroleum resources,

*Believing further* that the United Nations, certain specialized agencies and their technical assistance programmes should continue to take concrete measures to assist Governments interested in obtaining advice concerning the effective and rational development of their petroleum resources,

*Considering* that the problems discussed and the conclusions arrived at during the above-mentioned Symposium have underlined the need for increased study of petroleum questions as an important factor in the economic development of the under-developed countries,

*Bearing in mind* that many under-developed countries are interested in the prospecting for and exploitation of petroleum and in obtaining and manufacturing the necessary equipment,

*Noting* that, while the specific studies and recommendations of the report of the Symposium are of interest primarily to countries in the area of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, the method of preparing and conducting the Symposium is of more general interest,

*Transmits* the report of the Symposium on the Development of Petroleum Resources of Asia and the Far East and the relevant records of the twenty-seventh session to the regional economic commissions.

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**712 (XXVII). Economic development  
of under-developed countries: land reform**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having examined* the progress report on work undertaken for the advancement of land reform<sup>12</sup> and the prospectus of a report for submission to the Council in 1962 as contained therein, prepared by the Secretary-General pursuant to Council resolution 649 B (XXIII) of 2 May 1957,

<sup>11</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: 59.II.F.3, part one.

<sup>12</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-seventh Session, Annexes*, agenda item 5, document E/3208.

*Recalling* its resolutions 370 (XIII) of 7 September 1951, 512 C I (XVII) of 30 April 1954 and 649 B (XXIII) of 2 May 1957, and General Assembly resolutions 401 (V) of 20 November 1950, 524 (VI) of 12 January 1952, 625 A (VII) of 21 December 1952 and 826 (IX) of 11 December 1954 on land reform,

*Noting with satisfaction* the progress that has been made in the implementation of the above-mentioned resolutions in a number of countries,

*Recognizing* the importance of continuous study of land tenure and use,

1. *Urges* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to continue to implement, as appropriate, Council and General Assembly resolutions on land reform;

2. *Commends* the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies concerned for activities undertaken for the advancement of land reform as summarized in the above-mentioned report;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the specialized agencies concerned, especially the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations,

to prepare the report on the progress of land reform for the Council in 1962 along the lines of the prospectus contained in paragraph 57 of the report submitted at the present session,<sup>12</sup> taking into consideration the sources of information listed in paragraphs 59 and 60 of the report and the views which Members may express in the Council and the General Assembly;

4. *Invites* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to supply the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies concerned, at their request, with material which may be needed in the preparation of the report;

5. *Recommends* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to consider the establishment, where appropriate, of regional research and training centres to assist with the continuous study of land tenure and use;

6. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other competent international agencies to co-operate with such members in the work of those centres.

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## Social questions

### 716 (XXVII). United Nations Children's Fund

#### *The Economic and Social Council*

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on the sessions which it held in New York in September 1958<sup>13</sup> and at Geneva in March 1959;<sup>14</sup>

2. *Congratulates* the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund and the Directors-General of the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the close co-operation between the Fund and the specialized agencies which was confirmed at the Executive Board's Geneva session;

3. *Takes note* of the recommendations<sup>15</sup> made in the Executive Board's report of March 1959 for the submission to it, at the September 1959 session, of two reports on the situation of the malaria eradication pro-

grammes: a technical report by the World Health Organization on the results of the malaria control campaign and the real possibilities of eradicating that disease, and an administrative report by the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund giving a financial balance-sheet of the work in hand and making precise recommendations regarding the amount of the Fund's contribution to the anti-malaria campaigns of the World Health Organization for the next five years;

4. *Expresses the hope* that the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund will communicate those reports to Governments as soon as possible;

5. *Urges* Governments of Member States to continue to give their own malaria eradication programmes the greatest possible support and to communicate to the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund, for the benefit of other Governments, their views on the most suitable methods of organizing such campaigns within the framework of governmental administrations, taking into account the above-mentioned reports.

*1065th plenary meeting,  
23 April 1959.*

<sup>13</sup> *Ibid.*, *Twenty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 2* (E/3136 and Corr.1).

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 2 A* (E/3223).

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 48.