

2. *Recommends* that, in dealing with problems of a specific commodity, Governments should take into account the views of the interested countries, particularly the less developed countries and countries dependent to a high degree on the export of a narrow range of primary commodities, which are producers of such commodities, and the possible harmful effects on them of any contemplated action;

## II

*Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To bring to the notice of the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations before the opening of the tenth annual conference of that organization, the question of a joint session of the Commission on International Commodity Trade and the Committee on Commodity Problems of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, for the purpose of studying the first substantive report on prospective production of, and demand for, primary commodities;

(b) To submit to the Council at its thirtieth session, taking account of the views of the Commission on International Commodity Trade and of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, a report on the advisability and, if appropriate, on the practical arrangements for such a joint session.

*1085th plenary meeting,  
24 July 1959.*

### 727 (XXVIII). World economic situation

#### A

##### UNITED NATIONS MEASURES FOR PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Observing* that in recent years considerable successes have been attained in different countries in science and technology,

*Taking into account* that the international exchange of scientific and technical experience may be an important means of promoting the peaceful ends of world economic and social progress,

*Considering* that the peaceful achievements of modern science and technology in different countries should benefit the peoples of the world and help to raise their standards of living,

*Recalling* its resolution 695 (XXVI), of 31 July 1958, and General Assembly resolutions 1260 (XIII), of 14 November 1958, and 1316 (XIII), of 12 December 1958,

1. *Observes with satisfaction* the measures for developing international exchange of scientific and technical experience taken recently in the regional economic commissions and other United Nations organs, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and non-governmental organizations;

2. *Considers* that the rate of scientific and technical progress in the world and the continually extending human knowledge in various fields which can be used to accelerate economic development call for closest attention to be given to the international exchange of scientific and technical experience;

3. *Believes* that these considerations should continue to find their proper expression in the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, and will accordingly be given their proper place in the five-year programme appraisals of the United Nations and the specialized agencies and in the consolidated report to be based thereon;

4. *Decides* to reconsider this question at its thirty-first session in the light of the discussion of five-year programme appraisals of the United Nations and the specialized agencies now in preparation and of other relevant reports at present in process of compilation.

*1087th plenary meeting,  
27 July 1959.*

#### B

##### GENERAL ASSEMBLY REQUESTS PERTAINING TO INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN ECONOMIC FIELDS

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Bearing in mind* its resolution 690 A (XXVI), of 31 July 1958, and General Assembly resolutions 1157 (XII) of 26 November 1957, and 1321 (XIII), of 12 December 1958,

1. *Takes note* of the compendium of resolutions concerning various principles of international economic co-operation prepared by the Secretary-General<sup>19</sup> and of the views expressed by a number of Governments of Member States<sup>20</sup> in reply to paragraph (a) of the above-mentioned resolution 1321 (XIII), on the desirability of formulating "a statement of the economic objectives of the United Nations and of the means of international co-operation that may serve to attain those objectives";

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to Member States any further replies he may receive, and to prepare for the Council, at its thirtieth session, an analytical and comparative summary of all replies sent to him.

*1087th plenary meeting,  
27 July 1959.*

### 740 (XXVIII). Economic development of under-developed countries

#### A

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Reaffirming* the importance of the economic development of the under-developed countries as an essential condition for promoting such international relationships as are propitious for the maintenance of peace and world prosperity,

<sup>19</sup> E/3202.

<sup>20</sup> E/3202/Add.1-9.