- 1. Emphasizes once again the principle enunciated in Council resolution 742 II (XXVIII) of 31 July 1959 to the effect that "a primary objective of control and limitation of documentation should be to ensure the distribution of documents in all the working languages of the Council within the six weeks' time-limit";
- 2. Considers that, when reports are requested from the Secretariat of the United Nations or secretariats of the related agencies, sufficient time should be allowed for their completion;
- 3. Decides that at future sessions of the Council serious consideration should be given to deferring agenda items for which the documents have not been received, as prescribed, six weeks in advance.

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803 (XXX). International relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture

The Economic and Social Council.

Recalling its resolution 695 (XXVI) of 31 July 1958, and General Assembly resolution 1397 (XIV) of 20 November 1959, concerning international relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture,

Considering that contacts between peoples and knowledge of each other's ways of life and thinking are a prerequisite for peace and the improvement of international co-operation,

Considering that exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture are an essential factor for economic and social development,

Having examined the survey of international relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture, ⁷⁴ prepared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in co-operation with the United Nations and related agencies, and the observations of the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization thereon, ⁷⁵

- 1. Expresses its appreciation to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization as well as to other participating organizations for this survey, which can contribute to the promotion of further development and expansion of international relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture;
- 2. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to study the possibilities of formulating principles which could serve as guiding lines for bilateral, regional and international action regarding relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture;
- 3. Recommends to the Member States of the United Nations and members of related agencies to provide the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural

Organization with all the relevant information on activities based on bilateral agreements concerning international relations and exchanges in the fields of education, science and culture, in which they participate;

- 4. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to examine further measures needed to promote effective co-ordination between bilateral and multilateral programmes concerning these relations and exchanges, including, for instance, the preparation by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization of periodical reports to the General Conference presenting information on national, bilateral and regional activities;
- 5. Further invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in consultation with the United Nations and appropriate related agencies, to consider what measures of a practical and technical nature would in particular serve the ends indicated in the survey, such as:
- (a) Promoting the teaching and translation of living languages;
- (b) Adapting education to the needs of international understanding;
- (c) Stressing the importance of cultural programmes as a complement to technical and economic assistance;
- (d) Standardizing scientific documentation and organizing a better dissemination of scientific information;
- (e) Encouraging exchanges of persons working in the fields of education, science and culture;
- (f) Facilitating exchanges of education, scientific and cultural material in the light of further technical studies of national measures which impede the free flow of such materials, with a view to finding ways of removing the existing obstacles;
- 6. Recognizes that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, when examining the suggestions in the survey, will wish to consider proposed activities in relation to the programme of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization as a whole;
- 7. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to report, at an appropriate time, on progress made.

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804 (XXX). Co-ordination of the results of scientific research

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The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 695 (XXVI) of 31 July 1958 and General Assembly resolution 1260 (XIII) of 14 November 1958,

Noting the recommendations concerning scientific documentation contained in the survey on the main trends of enquiry in the field of the natural sciences, the dissemination of scientific knowledge and the application

⁷⁴ E/3352 and Corr.1.

⁷⁶ E/3352/Add.1.