

5. *Emphasizes* the importance of the community development concept, especially the need for further exploration by Member States of its application to the problems of the mass movement of population to urban centres;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the specialized agencies concerned, to give special attention to the inclusion of social experts at appropriate stages, especially the initial stage, in the planning and implementation of economic development projects in order to ensure adequate consideration of the social implications.

*1088th plenary meeting,
30 July 1959.*

K

DECISIONS OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION CONCERNING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1283 (XIII) ENTITLED "INTERNATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH YEAR"

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the decisions⁵⁵ of the Twelfth World Health Assembly concerning the organization of an International Health and Medical Research Year, and transmits them to the General Assembly.

*1088th plenary meeting,
30 July 1959.*

⁵⁵ *Official Records of the World Health Organization, No. 95, resolution WHA, 12.28.*

QUESTIONS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS

722 (XXVIII). Report of the Commission on the Status of Women

A

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women (thirteenth session)⁵⁶ and endorses the work programme and priorities contained therein.

*1078th plenary meeting,
14 July 1959.*

B

STATUS OF WOMEN IN PRIVATE LAW

AGE OF MARRIAGE, FREE CONSENT, AND REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGES

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 680 B (XXVI) of 10 July 1958 concerning a minimum age of marriage, the requirement of the free consent of both parties to the marriage, and the compulsory registration of marriages,

1. *Considers* that it may be appropriate to prescribe desirable standards in these fields by means of international instruments prepared under the auspices of the United Nations;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare for the fourteenth session of the Commission on the Status of Women a draft convention and a draft recommendation dealing with the three questions referred to above, including provisions for regular reporting by the Governments of Member States.

*1078th plenary meeting,
14 July 1959.*

⁵⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/3228).*

C

NATIONALITY OF MARRIED WOMEN

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that, by its resolution 1040 (XI) of 29 January 1957, the General Assembly had adopted the Convention on the Nationality of Married Women and that, by 6 March 1959, the Convention had been signed, ratified and acceded to by sixteen countries,

Noting that the printed publication on the *Nationality of Married Women*⁵⁷ prepared by the Secretary-General for the ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is practically exhausted,

Noting also the subsequent reports⁵⁸ prepared annually by the Secretary-General for submission to the Commission on the Status of Women, containing changes in legislation affecting the nationality of married women and other valuable information,

Believing that a history of the Convention and a concise and objective commentary on its provisions should be made available to the public in the form of a printed publication similar to the successful publication on the *Convention on the Political Rights of Women*,⁵⁹

Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To prepare a publication on the Convention on the Nationality of Married Women, containing a history of the Convention and a commentary on its provisions, and arrange for its issuance at an early date;

(b) To make preparations for a later publication bringing up to date the information contained in the publication prepared for the ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women and in subsequent reports.

*1078th plenary meeting,
14 July 1959.*

⁵⁷ United Nations publication, Sales No. : 1955. 14 July 1959.

⁵⁸ E/CN.6/254/Add.1 to 5.

⁵⁹ United Nations publication, Sales No. : 1955.IV.17.

D

EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the recommendation⁶⁰ of the Commission on the Status of Women that the draft pamphlet on equal pay prepared by the Secretary-General in collaboration with the International Labour Office⁶¹ be issued by the United Nations as a sales publication,

Believing that progress in this field may be stimulated by this publication,

Requests the Secretary-General to issue this publication as soon as possible.

*1078th plenary meeting,
14 July 1959.*

E

ACCESS OF WOMEN TO EDUCATION

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the views expressed in the debates of the Commission on the Status of Women at its thirteenth session on the report prepared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on the access of women to the teaching profession,⁶²

1. Calls the attention of Governments to its resolutions 547 K (XVIII) of 12 July 1954 and 587 G (XX) of 3 August 1955;

2. Invites the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to prepare for the fifteenth session of the Commission on the Status of Women a further report on the access of women to the teaching profession based on information from Member States and other authoritative sources, this further report to take into account the debates in the Commission at its thirteenth session and also the developments arising from the report of the Meeting of Experts on Teachers' Problems⁶³ convened by the International Labour Office in Geneva in October 1958.

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14 July 1959.*

F

AGE OF RETIREMENT AND RIGHT TO PENSION

The Economic and Social Council,

Affirming the principle that arrangements in regard to pensionable age and retirement age should not be such as to place women workers at any disadvantage as compared with men workers,

⁶⁰ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/3228), chap. VI, resolution 5 (XIII).

⁶¹ E/CN.6/341.

⁶² E/CN.6/345.

⁶³ International Labour Office, document METP/1958/13.

Having considered draft resolution F in the report of the thirteenth session of the Commission on the Status of Women,⁶⁴

Recognizing that differences of opinion continue to exist as to whether an age of earlier optional retirement and an earlier pensionable age for women constitute any infringement of the above-mentioned principle,

Decides to take no decision at the present time on the above-mentioned draft resolution.

*1078th plenary meeting,
14 July 1959.*

728 (XXVIII). Report of the Commission on Human Rights

A

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on Human Rights (fifteenth session).⁶⁵

*1088th plenary meeting,
30 July 1959.*

B

PERIODIC REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that the suggestions submitted by the Secretary-General⁶⁶ will assist Governments in preparing and submitting triennial reports on human rights,

Requests States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies to take full account of those suggestions in drafting their triennial reports on human rights.

*1088th plenary meeting,
30 July 1959.*

C

DRAFT DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the draft Declaration of the Rights of the Child submitted to the Council by the Commission on Human Rights in the report of the Commission on its fifteenth session,⁶⁷

Decides to transmit chapter VII of the Commission's report, relating to the draft Declaration, together with the records⁶⁸ of the discussion of this subject in the Council, and the other documents before the Council, to the General Assembly for consideration at its fourteenth session.

*1088th plenary meeting,
30 July 1959.*

⁶⁴ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Twenty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/3228), chap. XVII.

⁶⁵ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 8 (E/3229).

⁶⁶ *Ibid.*, para. 96.

⁶⁷ *Ibid.*, para. 197.

⁶⁸ E/AC.7/SR.393 to 396.