

6. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General in consultation with the Interim Committee on Programme of Conferences of the Economic and Social Council to convene the conference during 1964 or 1965;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to present to the Population Commission at its twelfth session, for trans-

mission with its comments to the Economic and Social Council, a report on the action taken pursuant to the present resolution.

*1149th plenary meeting,
28 April 1961.*

OTHER QUESTIONS

810 (XXXI). Establishment by the Secretary-General of a list of national parks and equivalent reserves

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report entitled "List of national parks and equivalent reserves"¹⁶ prepared by the Secretary-General in response to Council resolution 713 (XXVII) of 22 April 1959, and his recommendations for maintaining and developing the list on a current basis,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* that fifty-five Governments have already submitted replies to the Secretary-General's memorandum of inquiry inviting them to furnish information about national parks and equivalent reserves, and that further replies are expected;

2. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the thoroughness of the report;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for their co-operation and collaboration in the preparation of the report;

4. *Notes with satisfaction* that the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources has played a major role in the preparation of the report and has agreed to undertake the preparation of part II and subsequent additions thereto;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, to this end, to transmit the documentation to the International Union and to undertake the necessary consultations with the Union;

6. *Reiterates* its belief that national parks and equivalent reserves contribute to the inspiration, culture and welfare of mankind and are valuable for economic and scientific reasons;

7. *Urges* the Members of the United Nations or members of its related agencies, and the interested specialized agencies to continue to co-operate with the International Union in this respect;

8. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General, Governments of Member States and the International Union take the steps necessary to bring this report, together with part II of it, to the attention of the proposed World Conference on National Parks to be convened in 1962 by the Union.

*1141st plenary meeting,
24 April 1961.*

¹⁶ E/3436.

811 (XXXI). Non-governmental organizations : applications and re-applications for consultative status

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations,¹⁸

1. *Decides* to grant the request of the following organizations for category B consultative status:

Credit Union National Association, Inc.;

International Federation of Women in Legal Careers;

Union of International Fairs;

2. *Requests:*

(a) The Secretary-General to communicate once again with the General Union of Workers of Black Africa, inviting the organization to supply the additional information requested by the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations;¹⁷

(b) The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to reconsider the application of the Union at the first session of the year following the receipt of such information.

*1141st plenary meeting,
24 April 1961.*

814 (XXXI). International co-operation in the standardization of geographical names

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Group of Experts on Geographical Names,¹⁸

Recognizing the continuing need for international co-operation in the standardization of geographical names and noting the recommendations contained in the report,

1. *Commends* the Group of Experts on Geographical Names for an excellent report on a complex problem;

2. *Recommends* that the Governments of Member States:

(a) Adopt as appropriate the recommendations of the Group of Experts and take steps for their early implementation;

(b) Give emphasis to field investigation and checking with local authorities in standardizing place names, to the determination of the accurate latitude and longitude of these places and to showing them on maps;

¹⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 14, document E/3449.*

¹⁷ See E/C.2/SR.184.

¹⁸ E/3441 and Corr.1.