Commission for Africa and other agencies concerned on the co-ordinated preparation of the Conference, an example which might be followed in other regions of the world;

- 2. Invites the African Governments which took part in the Addis Ababa Conference to consider carrying out the recommendations and decisions of the Conference;
- 3. Calls the attention of the appropriate organs of the United Nations, including the Technical Assistance Board, the Special Fund and the United Nations Children's Fund, as well as the related agencies, including the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association, to the need to help the African countries, in every way at their request, in developing a planned, co-ordinated educational system as rapidly as possible within the framework of their national development plans and in accordance with the recommendations and decisions of the Addis Ababa Conference;
- 4. Invites the attention of the General Assembly to the Outline of a Plan for African Educational Development adopted by the Addis Ababa Conference.

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838 (XXXII). Education and training

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 797 (XXX) of 3 August 1960.

Recalling its resolution 817 (XXXI) of 28 April 1961 and noting with satisfaction part III, section D, of the report of the Committee for Industrial Development at its first session 61 and in particular that education and training should form an integral part of economic and industrial development plans of the under-developed countries.

Being convinced that human resources constitute a decisive factor in the economic and social progress of developing countries,

Being convinced also that the United Nations and its related agencies can make an important contribution to the development of these resources, through education and training of nationals of the less developed countries in various fields and at various levels,

Noting with satisfaction the increased efforts being devoted to this task by the Members of the United Nations system, and in particular the decision of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to give priority to education in its programmes,

Recognizing the need for a systematic assessment of human resources and the need for trained personnel in the planning of social and economic development and also the important role which the International Labour Organisation could play in rendering appropriate assistance to Governments and organizations in this field,

Believing that it is essential for the full effectiveness of the efforts of the United Nations system in this field, that the activities of the various organizations should be closely co-ordinated and their policies as far as possible harmonized,

- 1. Welcomes the recognition by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination in its twenty-fifth report ⁶² of the need to harmonize the activities of the United Nations and its related agencies in the fields of education and training, and to work towards the establishment of an integrated approach to these fields, with regard to conception as well as action and the resources available as well as the machinery and measures to be used;
- 2. Notes that the Administrative Committee on Coordination has decided to apply this integrated approach first in Africa, but proposes to extend it also to other parts of the world;
- 3. Notes also the establishment by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination of a sub-committee to assist it in keeping under review activities in the fields of education and training;
- 4. Expresses the hope that the machinery of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination will be used to develop recommendations aimed at harmonizing further the policies of the various organizations and at co-ordinating their activities in the fields in question;
- 5. Requests the Administrative Committee on Coordination to report to the Council at its thirty-fourth session on the progress made in carrying out the abovementioned decisions.

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839 (XXXII). Concerted action in the field of industrialization

The Economic and Social Council,

Stressing once again the importance of industrialization in the process of economic and social development, and of the contribution which can be made in this field by the United Nations, including, and in particular, the Committee for Industrial Development and the regional economic commissions, and by the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency,

Desiring to strengthen further the efforts of the United Nations system in this field,

Recognizing that special attention should be given in development planning and its implementation to the industrial development of the less developed countries,

Recalling its resolution 792 I (XXX) of 3 August 1960 on concerted action in the field of industrialization,

Recalling also the recommendations made by the Committee for Industrial Development at its first session, which were approved in Council resolution 817 (XXXI) of 28 April 1961, including, and in particular, those for

⁶¹ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 2 (F/3476)

⁶² Ibid., Thirty-second Session, Annexes, Agenda item 4, document 1/3498, para. 41

the establishment of an Industrial Development Centre within the United Nations Secretariat, and for the submission to the Committee of complete information on the interests and current activities of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency for each area of work in the field of industrialization,

Having examined the suggestions for concerted action in the field of industrialization, drawn up by the Secretary-General in consultation with the executive heads of the agencies concerned ⁶³ and submitted to the Committee for Industrial Development, as well as those put forward by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination in its latest report, ⁶⁴

Considering that these suggestions are valuable and will contribute to the integration and strengthening of the United Nations system's efforts in the field of industrialization,

Recognizing at the same time that, as the ad hoc working group on co-ordination has pointed out in its report, 65 there is a need to supplement the measures suggested by developing a concerted approach to the problem of industrialization as a whole,

- 1. Invites the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the agencies concerned, to carry out the abovementioned suggestions, taking into account the views and activities of the Committee for Industrial Development, the Social Commission and the regional economic commissions, and making use of the new Industrial Development Centre;
- 2. Requests the Administrative Committee on Coordination to study further the question of co-ordination in the field of industrialization, with a view to developing a concerted approach to this problem and to translating this approach into specific programmes of concerted action wherever such action can contribute effectively to the progress of industrialization;
- 3. Further requests the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to submit a progress report on this subject to the Council at its thirty-third session, in time for prior consideration by the Committee for Industrial Development, in order to assist the Committee in formulating recommendations to the Council, in keeping with paragraph 7 of resolution 751 (XXIX) of 12 April 1960, aimed at ensuring the utmost efficiency and co-operation in the work of all the United Nations organizations concerned with industrialization;
- 4. Suggests that the Technical Assistance Board, the Special Fund and the organizations participating in technical co-operation programmes give favourable consideration to requests from less developed countries aimed at their industrial development.

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65 Ibid., E/3518, paras. 26 and 27.

840 (XXXII). Rural development

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that the Administrative Committee on Coordination, in its twenty-fifth report to the Council, 66 has emphasized the urgency of generally intensifying international action to help in raising income and living conditions in rural areas,

Recognizing the need for speedy improvement of incomes and living conditions in rural areas as an integral part of over-all economic and social development, and the contribution which the United Nations and its related agencies can make towards this objective,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1526 (XV) of 15 December 1960 concerning land reform,

Recalling further its resolution 8301(XXXII) of 2 August 1961 on promoting the development of the cooperative movement in rural areas,

Noting with satisfaction that arrangements have been proposed for joint consideration at secretariat level of all rural and community development programmes of the United Nations and the specialized agencies which require co-operative action,

- 1. Expresses the hope that the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination will continue to work towards the fullest possible integration of activities in the field of rural development, including those relating to community development, co-operatives and land reform;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Council at its thirty-third session the report on land reform envisaged in General Assembly resolution 1526 (XV);
- 3. Invites the Secretary-General, the executive heads of the specialized agencies, the Executive Chairman of the Technical Assistance Board and the Managing Director of the Special Fund to study, in consultation with the regional economic commissions, the possibility of extending regional training and research programmes on rural development, including community development, co-operatives and land reform, by establishing courses, seminars and regional institutes in those fields, with a view to raising the standard of living of rural populations, and to submit a progress report to the Council at its thirty-fourth session.

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841 (XXXII). Co-ordination between industrialization, rural development, urbanization and housing

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking into account the close relationship between the problems of industrialization, rural development, urbanization and housing as well as the balance which should

⁶³ E/C.5/2.

⁶⁴ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-second Session, Annexes, agenda item 4, document E/3495, para. 98.

⁶⁶ *Ibid.*, document E/3495, para. 104.