

## SOCIAL QUESTIONS

### 895 (XXXIV). Measures designed to promote among youth the ideals of peace, mutual respect and understanding between peoples

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1572 (XV), of 18 December 1960, on measures designed to promote among youth the ideals of peace, mutual respect and understanding between peoples,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report<sup>40</sup> of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization submitted to the Council;

2. *Transmits* to the General Assembly, in accordance with resolution 1572 (XV), the report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization together with the record of the discussions thereon at the thirty-fourth session of the Council;

3. *Requests* the General Assembly to take such decision thereon as it may see fit.

*1233rd plenary meeting,  
27 July 1962.*

### 896 (XXXIV). Annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees with the annexed report of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme on its seventh session,<sup>41</sup>

*Takes note* of the report prepared by the High Commissioner for transmission to the General Assembly at its seventeenth session.

*1234th plenary meeting,  
30 July 1962.*

### 903 (XXXIV). Report of the Social Commission

#### A

#### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

*The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the report of the Social Commission (fourteenth session).<sup>42</sup>

*1235th plenary meeting,  
2 August 1962.*

<sup>40</sup> UNESCO/ED/189. Submitted to the Council under symbol E/3638.

<sup>41</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventeenth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/5211)*, and appendix.

<sup>42</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/3636/Rev.1)*.

#### B

#### PLANNING FOR BALANCED ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolutions 830 A (XXXII) and 830 H (XXXII) of 2 August 1961 concerning the study of the problem of balanced and co-ordinated economic and social development,

*Having considered* the report of the Social Commission,<sup>43</sup>

*Noting* the conclusions reached at the regional meetings held at Mexico City<sup>44</sup> and Beirut<sup>45</sup> to discuss questions connected with planning for balanced economic and social development,

*Conscious* that planning plays an effective part in facilitating more rapid and balanced economic and social development,

*Noting* that the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund and the Social Commission are giving special attention to the planning of services for the family, youth and child welfare within national development plans,

*Bearing in mind* that economically less developed States which are striving for rapid economic and social development recognize the need for planning and show great interest in further study of the planning problem and in receiving practical assistance in this connexion,

*Noting* that General Assembly resolution 1710 (XVI) of 19 December 1961 on the United Nations Development Decade requests proposals for intensification of action in the fields of economic and social development including measures to assist developing countries, at their request, to establish well conceived and integrated country plans, and that General Assembly resolution 1674 (XVI) of 18 December 1961 requests the Council to recommend, after appropriate studies, measures which may be helpful primarily to the less developed countries in planning for balanced and co-ordinated economic and social development,

*Believing* that the work programme of the Bureau of Social Affairs on research and development should now emphasize studies on evolving improved techniques for planning social development in relation to economic development, and appropriate governmental organizational arrangements for planning for social development,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the specialized agencies concerned:

(a) To prepare, for the consideration of the Social Commission, on the basis of available studies, a report setting out for the use of Governments methods of

<sup>43</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>44</sup> UNESCO/SS/SAED/LA/2/Rev.1 ... ST/ECLA/CONF.6/L.2/Rev.1 — ST/TAO/CONF.6/L.2/Rev.1.

<sup>45</sup> ST/TAO/SER.C/55 — ST/SOA/SER.T/2.

determining the appropriate allocation of resources to the various social sectors at different stages of economic development, and summarizing the experience of various organizational arrangements for social planning in relation to development goals;

(b) To include in the report such proposed areas for further study as may be needed to develop more precise criteria for allocation of resources to various social programmes at different stages of development and improved government organizational arrangements;

(c) In the preparation of this report, to utilize the services of consultants, including economists with experience in dealing with problems of social development and experts from the social science disciplines with experience in planning;

2. *Recommends* that in implementing General Assembly resolution 1708 (XVI) of 19 December 1961, full attention should be given to the need for integrating social and economic aspects of development;

3. *Recommends* that United Nations organs, including the regional economic commissions, should intensify their work in connexion with the investigation of problems of planning for balanced economic and social development, taking into account the relevant and useful experience of other States Members of the United Nations or members of a specialized agency or groups of such States;

4. *Recommends further* that the appropriate United Nations organs and the specialized agencies concerned should foster a broad exchange of experience and knowledge of planning for balanced economic and social development;

5. *Considers it advisable* that seminars should be held in the various regions on specific aspects of planning for social programmes within a framework of balanced economic and social development, taking into account the relevant and useful experience of other States Members of the United Nations or members of a specialized agency or groups of such States;

6. *Recommends* that, in the process of executing United Nations technical co-operation programmes, assistance to economically less developed countries upon their request in training national personnel for planning should receive due attention.

*1235th plenary meeting,  
2 August 1962.*

## C

### HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT: CREATION OF A COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the observations and recommendations of the Social Commission<sup>46</sup> on the report of the *ad hoc* group of experts on housing and urban develop-

<sup>46</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/3636/Rev.1), chapter III.*

ment,<sup>47</sup> which met in February 1962 in accordance with Council resolution 830 C (XXXII) of 2 August 1961,

*Commending* the *ad hoc* group of experts for the scope and usefulness of their report,

*Noting with special interest* the recommendations of this group that a permanent body for housing and related matters be established within the United Nations,

*Cognizant* of the great need for improved housing for millions of families, particularly in the developing countries, and of the interest of the United Nations in assisting Governments in their efforts to bring about this improvement as shown in the long-range programmes for concerted action in the fields of low-cost housing and urbanization,

*Noting with satisfaction* the growing activities of the regional economic commissions in the field of housing, building and planning and the fact that some of the regional commissions already have standing organs for this work and others are considering establishing them,

*Noting with satisfaction* the work of the specialized agencies with respect to the field of housing and related community facilities and their continuing contributions to international and national efforts in this field,

*Convinced* that additional steps must be taken in the field of housing to provide stronger and more specialized leadership in this area,

1. *Hereby establishes* a Committee on Housing, Building and Planning to deal with housing and related community facilities and physical planning, composed of eighteen States Members of the United Nations, elected by the Council on a basis of equitable geographical distribution and a balance between developing and industrialized countries, the representatives on this committee to be designated by the Governments of these States in agreement with the Secretary-General, with a view to achieving, as far as possible, a balanced coverage of required expertise in housing, building and urban development;

2. *Decides* that, except for the initial period, the term of office for members of the Committee shall be three years; for the initial period, one-third of the members shall serve for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years, the term of each member to be determined by lot; retiring members shall be eligible for re-election;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform Members of the United Nations of the establishment of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, and invite them to indicate to him by 1 November 1962 if they wish to put forward their candidatures for election to the Committee at the resumed thirty-fourth session of the Council;

4. *Decides* that the terms of reference of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning include responsibilities for:

(a) Examination of reports concerning technical assistance activities in the field of housing, related community facilities and physical planning;

<sup>47</sup> E/CN. 5/367 and Add.1.

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### SOCIAL SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO FAMILY, CHILD AND YOUTH WELFARE

(b) Recommendations to the Economic and Social Council for appropriate co-ordination of these programmes among the various United Nations bodies, including the regional economic commissions, and with other international agencies;

(c) Recommendations to Governments, through the Council, on appropriate priorities and programme emphasis in the field of housing and related community facilities and physical planning;

(d) Promotion of research and of the exchange and dissemination of experience and information in these fields, with especial reference to the needs of under-developed countries;

(e) Development of proposals for consideration by appropriate United Nations bodies and others, on such matters as financing of home construction and ownership, provision of land for homes and community facilities at reasonable cost, designs suitable for low-cost housing in different climates and cultures, improved building materials and their better use, and ways of promoting acceptance and adoption of efficient organizational and building techniques;

(f) Development of means and methods for the increased utilization of the regional economic commissions in this field;

5. *Invites* the regional economic commissions to strengthen their activities in this field and to co-operate fully in the work of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning;

6. *Decides further* that the Committee should report to the Council through the Social Commission and also forward its report to the Committee on Industrial Development and to the regional economic commissions in order that the Council may consider the Committee's report together with the comments thereon of these bodies;

7. *Decides also* to review these organizational arrangements after three years;

8. *Urges* participating Governments, in keeping with General Assembly resolution 1715 (XVI) of 19 December 1961, to review their contributions to the support of the work of the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance and the Special Fund so that the combined budgets for these two organs in the year 1962 may reach the target of \$150 million, in order that additional resources may be available for projects in the field of housing, related community facilities and physical planning in appropriate proportion to other sound projects required for the economic and social development of the developing countries;

9. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General be authorized to provide additional staff in the Bureau of Social Affairs and the corresponding strengthening of the staffs in the regional economic commissions in accordance with General Assembly resolution 1709 (XVI) of 19 December 1961, to carry out the research and organizational work necessary for the effective development of the housing, related community facilities and physical planning programme of the United Nations.

1235th plenary meeting,  
2 August 1962.

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the observations of the Social Commission<sup>48</sup> on the *Report on the Organization and Administration of Social Services*,<sup>49</sup>

*Recognizing* that the report provides guidelines to the work of the United Nations and to national governments in establishing services required for effective investment in human resources,

*Noting* the growing co-operation between the Bureau of Social Affairs, the United Nations Children's Fund and the regional economic commissions, particularly in providing assistance to developing countries in extending services for family, child and youth welfare and the training of personnel,

*Further noting* the significance of integrating social services in over-all social policies, and the need for planning such services at the national level,

1. *Commends* the group of experts for the quality of its *Report on the Organization and Administration of Social Services*, and approves in general the major conclusions and recommendations as summarized in chapter I of the report;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To transmit the *Report* of the group of experts to Member States, the specialized agencies concerned and interested non-governmental organizations in consultative status, and to invite their comments thereon, and to prepare a summary of these comments for the fifteenth session of the Social Commission to be held in 1963;

(b) To take into account the conclusions and recommendations of this group of experts, and the comments referred to in sub-paragraph 2 (a) above, in carrying out the United Nations programme in this field;

*Further requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To reappraise, particularly considering the needs of developing countries for family, child and youth welfare services, the United Nations social service programme, including the technical assistance programme and the increased activities with the United Nations Children's Fund and the regional economic commissions in this field, and to prepare recommendations for strengthening the United Nations social service programme for consideration at the fifteenth session of the Social Commission;

(b) To prepare for the consideration of the Social Commission at its sixteenth session to be held in 1964, a report based, *inter alia*, on case studies containing suggestions for the use of Governments interested in the establishment and extension of family, child and

<sup>48</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-fourth session, Supplement No. 12 (E/3636/Rev.1), chapter V.*

<sup>49</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No. 62.IV.1.

youth welfare services, training of personnel, and methods of financing these services;

(c) In undertaking the reappraisal and preparation of the report referred to in sub-paragraphs 2 (a) and (b), to co-operate with the United Nations Children's Fund and with the specialized agencies concerned and to utilize the services of consultants with special competence in this field;

4. *Recommends* that States Members of the United Nations, the General Assembly and the regional economic commissions accord the social welfare sector a definite role within the framework of the United Nations Development Decade and in the establishment of national and regional development institutes.

*1235th plenary meeting,  
2 August 1962.*

## E

### STRENGTHENING OF THE WORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE SOCIAL FIELD

#### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* the responsibility of the Social Commission for working out practical recommendations with a view to promoting higher standards of living for the population and social progress and development.

*Recognizing further* that the Social Commission places increased emphasis on its responsibilities for over-all social policy and the determination of programme priorities and objectives in the various social fields, and that it is essential that the Social Commission provide leadership in promoting social programmes in the United Nations Development Decade,

*Aware* of the growing demand and need for accelerated United Nations efforts in assisting Member States to carry out social planning and social programmes, within the framework of balanced economic and social development,

1. *Requests* that the Secretary-General prepare, in consultation with the specialized agencies, for the use of the Social Commission, a report, or reports, on new policy developments in all of the social fields involving major shifts in programme emphasis and principal programme activities of the United Nations and specialized agencies that may be pertinent to the items before the Social Commission, taking into account the provisions of Article 62 of the Charter of the United Nations and the objectives envisaged in Council resolution 903 B (XXXIV) of 2 August 1962 on planning for balanced economic and social development, such reports to be prepared only in the years this information is not available in other documents furnished to the Social Commission;

2. *Requests further* that the Secretary-General furnish the Social Commission, as appropriate, with the relevant reports of committees and commissions of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies as background documentation, calling attention to those items of special importance to social policy and planning, and

similarly furnish reports of the Social Commission to those bodies;

3. *Expresses the hope* that there will be continued close co-operation between, on the one hand, the Bureau of Social Affairs and, on the other hand, the secretariats of the regional economic commissions and development institutes and of the specialized agencies, as well as with United Nations secretariat personnel concerned with the work of the Committee for Industrial Development on social programmes, especially those involving interrelationships between social and economic policy and planning, and that arrangements will be made for the participation of both social and economic experts in development project planning and execution;

4. *Calls the attention* of the General Assembly to the need to provide the necessary resources for the United Nations to carry out programmes for strengthening and expanding its work in the social field to raise the level of living for all peoples during the United Nations Development Decade.

*1235th plenary meeting,  
2 August 1962.*

### 914 (XXXIV). International control of narcotic drugs

## A

#### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

##### *The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (seventeenth session).<sup>50</sup>

*1236th plenary meeting,  
3 August 1962.*

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##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs<sup>51</sup> and having regard to the importance of co-operation in the fight against the illicit traffic,

*Expresses its appreciation* to the Government of Lebanon for having sent an observer to assist in the discussions on the report of the Commission at the thirty-fourth session of the Council, and for making arrangements for the attendance of a technical observer at the eighteenth session of the Commission.

*1236th plenary meeting,  
3 August 1962.*

## C

#### THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961

##### *Ratification and accession*

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 833 B (XXXII) of 3 August 1961 respecting the Single Convention on Narcotic

<sup>50</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/3648).*

<sup>51</sup> *Ibid.*