

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.

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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).⁵⁰

*1236th plenary meeting,
3 August 1962.*

B

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs⁵¹ 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.

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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

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

⁵¹ *Ibid.*

Drugs, 1961, adopted unanimously at its thirty-second session,

Noting that sixty-four countries have signed, and eight countries have ratified or acceded to the said convention,

Invites countries to which that resolution was addressed to take such steps as may be necessary for ratification of or accession to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961.

*1236th plenary meeting,
3 August 1962.*

D

THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961

Preparations for the coming into force

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that the commentary on the 1931 Convention⁵² was very helpful to Governments and international organs in applying this treaty, and that the model codes for the application of the 1925 and 1931 Conventions⁵³ were of considerable value to a number of Governments as a guide in framing legislative and administrative measures for the application of the Conventions in their territories,

Bearing in mind that the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, is a comprehensive document embracing many and varied aspects of international narcotics control activities,

Being of the opinion that there will be a great and lasting need for a uniform interpretation and application of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a legal commentary on the Single Convention, giving an interpretation of the provisions of the Convention in the light of the relevant conference proceedings and other material;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to draft an administrative guide for the application of the Single Convention by government officials concerned with action required under this convention.

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3 August 1962.*

E

TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION IN NARCOTICS CONTROL

Regional Co-ordination in Latin America

The Economic and Social Council,

Having been informed of the meeting of the Inter-American Consultative Group on Narcotics Control at Rio de Janeiro from 27 November to 7 December 1961,

Noting that resolutions⁵⁴ were adopted unanimously by the participants in the group from fifteen American States,

⁵² *Historical and Technical Study*, publication of the League of Nations, 1937.XI.3.

⁵³ Publication of the League of Nations, 1932.XI.8.

⁵⁴ E/CN.7/422, annex B.

containing recommendations directed towards the promotion of such a regional co-operation,

Noting in particular the recommendation for the stationing of an officer of the Secretariat in the region to facilitate such co-operation,

1. *Expresses its thanks* to the Government of Brazil for its initiative in calling the Inter-American Consultative Group and also for its generous material assistance to that conference;

2. *Considers it desirable* that, with a view to facilitating regional co-operation in the field of narcotics control in Latin America, an officer of the Secretariat should be stationed, on an experimental basis, for an initial period of two years, in this part of the world, and that the matter should be further reviewed at the end of this period.

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3 August 1962.*

F

THE QUESTION OF INVITING THE AUTHORITIES ENTITLED TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE DRUG SUPERVISORY BODY TO APPOINT PERSONS WHO ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF THE PERMANENT CENTRAL OPIUM BOARD

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 667 H (XXIV) of 1 August 1957 relating to the question of close liaison and a personal union between the Permanent Central Opium Board and the Drug Supervisory Body,

Taking note with satisfaction of the willingness of the World Health Organization to co-operate in further steps in this regard,

Having regard to the interlocking character of the functions of the two bodies, and to the provisions contained in the Single Convention for the replacement of the two bodies by a single organ,

1. *Expresses its agreement* with the desirability of ensuring to the greatest possible extent close liaison and a personal union between the two bodies, pending the establishment and coming into effect of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961;

2. *Invites* the World Health Organization, the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, and the Permanent Central Opium Board, in the furtherance of these objects, to appoint to the Drug Supervisory Body persons who are members of the Board.

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3 August 1962.*

G

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT CENTRAL OPIUM BOARD

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with satisfaction of the report⁵⁵ of the Permanent Central Opium Board on its activities in 1961.

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3 August 1962.*

⁵⁵ E/OB/17 and E/OB/17/Addendum (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 62.XI.3 and 62.XI.3, Addendum).