

Recalling that General Assembly resolution 1714 (XVI) of 19 December 1961 calls for a general review of the World Food Programme at its nineteenth session,

Believing that such a review would not be useful prior to the end of the period of three years for which the Programme was set up,

Noting that pledges to the Programme are \$10 million short of the \$100 million goal, and that, in particular, pledges of cash are far short of the desired minimum target of one-third of total contributions,

1. *Expresses satisfaction* with the progress so far made by the Programme;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly defer a general review of the Programme from its nineteenth to its twentieth session;

3. *Appeals* to States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies who have not yet pledged contributions to the Programme, to make such pledges, if possible as contributions of cash, in order to attain the goal of \$100 million;

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Considering that the General Regulations of the World Food Programme have been approved by Council resolution 878 (XXXIII) of 18 April 1962,

Noting that the Inter-Governmental Committee of the World Food Programme recommends in paragraph 15 of its first annual report that General Regulation A (4) (c) (iii) should be modified so as to facilitate the arrangements necessary for the shipment and insurance of the products distributed,

Approves the substitution of the following text for the present wording of General Regulation A (4) (c) (iii) of the World Food Programme:

"Any ocean transportation (including insurance) contributed to the WFP shall be arranged by the contributing country at the request of the Executive Director, as agreed, but any paid by the WFP shall be arranged by the Executive Director. The Executive Director, however, may request the country contributing the commodities, the recipient country, or any other country to make such arrangements to move them."

*1300th plenary meeting,
31 July 1963.*

967 (XXXVI). Question of procedures for the revision of the International Convention on Road Traffic and of the Protocol on Road Signs and Signals, done at Geneva, 19 September 1949

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that the amendments to the Convention on Road Traffic and to the Protocol on Road Signs and Signals, done at Geneva, 19 September 1949, drawn up

by the Inland Transport Committee of the Economic Commission for Europe and which were then proposed by the Government of Austria in accordance with the relevant provisions and communicated by the Secretary-General to the Contracting States in his circular note of 8 October 1962, did not find the support required in accordance with Article 31 of the Convention and of Article 60 of the Protocol,

Considering that a further attempt should be made to enable the proposed amendments to enter into force,

Taking into account that the rapid growth of road traffic may come to render desirable or necessary further revision of the existing Convention and Protocol or the negotiation of new Agreements,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in accordance with Article 31, paragraph 1, of the Convention and Article 60, paragraph 1, of the Protocol, upon being so requested by one of the Contracting States, to communicate the amendments once again to all Contracting States, pointing out that the amendments are identical with those previously communicated and that replies previously received will be understood to remain valid in the absence of notification to the contrary;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation as appropriate with the Executive Secretaries of the regional economic commissions, to urge all Contracting States which have not previously done so to reply to the further communication of the Secretary-General as promptly as possible;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General:

(a) To prepare, in co-operation with the regional economic commissions, a report on whether further action to revise or replace the existing Convention and the Protocol is desirable or necessary and, if so, to analyse the reasons for it and make appropriate proposals;

(b) To submit this report to the Council;

4. *Decides* to take up the question again at the latest at its thirty-eighth session in order to consider in the light of the aforementioned report what adequate action should be taken.

*1296th plenary meeting,
25 July 1963.*

957 (XXXVI). Reports of the Governing Council of the Special Fund

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with appreciation of the reports³⁷ of the Governing Council of the Special Fund (ninth and tenth sessions).

*1279th plenary meeting,
12 July 1963.*

³⁷ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-sixth Session, Supplements No. 11 (E/3717) and 11A (E/3789).