

Drawing attention to the fact that, although almost six years have passed since the adoption of the Declaration, in many countries little progress is observed towards meeting the urgent needs of children, and that children continue to suffer from hunger, disease and other social and economic ills, and are deprived of other rights set forth in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child,

1. *Calls upon* the Governments of Member States and also upon the specialized agencies, the United Nations Children's Fund and non-governmental organizations to take the necessary steps to ensure the speediest possible implementation of this Declaration and to give attention to the inclusion in programmes of social development of all necessary provision for the needs of children;

2. *Requests* the Social Commission to consider at its seventeenth session in connexion with the re-examination of the Commission's role in the framework of the United Nations programmes, and taking account of the views of the United Nations Children's Fund, the question of the adequacy of the provision for the needs of children in programmes of social development.

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30 July 1965.*

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PLANNING OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the Secretary-General's report on methods of determining the appropriate allocation of resources to the various social sectors at the different stages of economic development of the countries of the world,⁷⁵ prepared in accordance with its resolution 903 B (XXXIV) of 2 August 1962,

Referring to General Assembly resolutions 1392 (XIV) of 20 November 1959 and 1916 (XVIII) of 5 December 1963 on the inter-relationship of the economic and social factors of development, and to its own resolution 903 B (XXXIV) on planning for balanced economic and social development,

Considering the necessity of planning for speedy and co-ordinated economic and social development and the interest of the majority of countries in the study of planning problems and in obtaining practical assistance in this field,

Recognizing the importance which this and subsequent reports and studies may have, particularly for the developing countries, in evolving their policies,

Noting that the Secretary-General's report is a useful attempt to describe the various methods of planning social development which are used in practice,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare further studies of this question, making a more detailed analysis and drawing more far-reaching conclusions, taking account of the various systems of planning for social development;

⁷⁵ E/CN.5/387.

2. *Recommends* that the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development and the Economic Projections and Programming Centre, among other bodies, as well as experts representing countries with different social and economic systems should be invited to participate in the preparation of these studies to the greatest possible extent;

3. *Recommends* that the Social Commission should consider a report by the Secretary-General on the above-mentioned studies at its eighteenth session.

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1084 (XXXIX). Work programmes and priorities in population fields ⁷⁶

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1838 (XVII) of 18 December 1962 on population growth and economic development and Council resolutions 933 C (XXXV) of 5 April 1963 on intensification of demographic studies, research and training and 1048 (XXXVII) of 15 August 1964 on population growth and economic and social development,

Bearing in mind the problems in the economic and social development of developing countries associated with the growth and structure of population and migration from the countryside to the cities,

Recalling the concern with these problems expressed in the responses of many Governments of developing countries to the inquiry among Governments on problems resulting from the interaction of economic development and population changes ⁷⁷ carried out in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution of the General Assembly,

Taking note of the views expressed by the Population Commission in the report of its thirteenth session ⁷⁸ on population growth and economic and social development and on possibilities of assisting Governments of developing countries in dealing with population problems, and in particular the Population Commission's recommendations on the long-range programme of work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the population fields,

Being aware that many countries lack technical personnel with specialized training in population questions and facilities for training national technicians,

Considering that there is a need to intensify and extend the scope of the work of the United Nations and the specialized agencies relating to population questions,

1. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Population Commission in the report of its thirteenth session on the long-range programme of work in the fields of population, including its recommendations with regard to the increase and improvement of demographic statistics, the strength-

⁷⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/4019)*, paras. 105-117.

⁷⁷ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-seventh Session, Annexes*, agenda item 21, documents E/3895/Rev.1 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

⁷⁸ See footnote 76.

ening of regional demographic training and research centres, and other activities to increase the supply of technically trained personnel in the developing countries, expansion and intensification of research and technical work, widening of the scope and increase of the amount of technical assistance in population fields available to Governments of developing countries upon their request, and conferences and related activities in the population fields;

2. *Draws the attention* of the Statistical Commission, the Social Commission and the Commission on the Status of Women to the recommendations and suggestions of the Population Commission relating to activities in their fields of interest;

3. *Invites* the regional economic commissions and the interested specialized agencies to give consideration to possibilities of modifying and expanding their programmes of activities in the population fields along the lines indicated by the recommendations of the Population Commission;

4. *Calls to the attention* of the General Assembly the need to provide the necessary resources, within the framework of the decisions taken to balance the budget of the United Nations, for the United Nations to carry out the intensified and expanded programme of activities in the fields of population recommended by the Population Commission;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To consider giving a position for the work in population in the United Nations Secretariat that would correspond to its importance;

(b) To provide, in accordance with Council resolution 222 (IX) of 14 and 15 August 1949 and General Assembly resolution 418 (V) of 1 December 1950, advisory services and training on action programmes in the field of population at the request of Governments desiring assistance in this field;

(c) To consult the interested specialized agencies on the division of responsibilities and co-ordination of activities in the long-range programme of work in the population fields recommended by the Population Commission;

(d) To present to the Population Commission at its fourteenth session proposals with regard to the priorities of work over future periods of two years and of five years, within the framework of the long-range programme of work in the population fields.

*1394th plenary meeting,
30 July 1965.*

1073 (XXXIX). Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its June 1965 session,⁷⁹

⁷⁹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 15 (E/4083/Rev.1).*

Noting with regret that owing to the reduction in its available resources the organization has been compelled to limit the commitments approved at its above-mentioned session to an amount considerably lower than those authorized for recent years,

1. *Urges* Governments and private groups to intensify their efforts substantially to increase the resources of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. *Welcomes* the emphasis which it is placing upon the importance of assisting infants and young children of pre-school age;

3. *Endorses* the policy of the United Nations Children's Fund in its efforts to ensure that adequate provision is made and appropriate priority given to meet the needs of children and young people in national programmes for economic and social development;

4. *Invites* Governments to take full advantage of the help which the United Nations Children's Fund, in co-operation with other members of the United Nations system, is able to provide for the achievement of this objective;

5. *Welcomes* the decision of the United Nations Children's Fund to hold the next meeting of its Executive Board in Africa in May 1966.

*1391st plenary meeting,
26 July 1965.*

1071 (XXXIX). 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 reports of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme on its twelfth and thirteenth sessions,⁸⁰

Takes note with appreciation of the report prepared by the High Commissioner for transmission to the General Assembly at its twentieth session.

*1389th plenary meeting,
21 July 1965.*

1085 (XXXIX). Report of the Permanent Central Opium Board

The Economic and Social Council,

Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Permanent Central Opium Board for 1964.⁸¹

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30 July 1965.*

⁸⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/6011) and appendix.*

⁸¹ E/OB/20 and E/OB/20/Addendum, United Nations publications, Sales Nos.: 64.XI.9 and 65.XI.5.