- (a) To amend the revised version of the recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods, 10 in accordance with the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee of Experts;
- (b) To circulate the amendments referred to in subparagraph (a) above to Governments of Member States, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other interested international organizations;
- (c) To convene meetings of the Committee of Experts and its subsidiary bodies, taking into account, on the one hand, the programme of work recommended by the experts and, on the other, the calendar of conferences and availability of resources to service meetings.

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## 1111 (XL). Co-ordinated action in the field of water resources

The Economic and Social Council

1. Takes note with appreciation of the fourth biennial report on water resources development,11

2. Requests the continued publication of such reports.

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## 1112 (XL). Non-agricultural resources

The Economic and Social Council.

Considering that the mineral and food resources of the sea beyond the continental shelf, excluding fish, constitute reserves of raw materials which are as yet not fully being utilized, and that the rational use of these resources to ensure optimum yield and minimum waste is of vital importance to all countries,

Being aware that the effective development of those resources can raise the economic level of peoples throughout the world, and especially in the developing countries.

Taking into account the studies that have been or are being made by the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other specialized agencies, the various national Governments and private organizations,

Considering further that a compilation of available knowledge on known resources and techniques for exploiting them would be an indispensable tool for developing countries to improve their programmes to extract the riches of the sea, or to initiate such programmes.

Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, the specialized agencies—particularly the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization—and the Governments of interested Member States, avoiding any overlapping or duplication with the existing programmes of United Nations bodies in this field, and utilizing inter alia such voluntary services as may be offered:

- (a) To make a survey of the present state of knowledge of these resources of the sea, beyond the continental shelf, and of the techniques for exploiting these resources, in co-ordination with those already made by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other specialized agencies and those being prepared;
- (b) As part of that survey, to attempt to identify those resources now considered to be capable of economic exploitation, especially for the benefit of developing countries;
- (c) To identify any gaps in available knowledge which merit early attention by virtue of their importance to the development of ocean resources, and of the practicality of their early exploitation;
- (d) To report on the progress of the survey at an early session of the Council.

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## 1113 (XL). Development of non-agricultural resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1033 C (XXXVII), of 14 August 1964, which stresses the importance of the development and utilization of natural resources for the over-all economic advancement of developing countries and recommends that due priority be given to programmes having direct impact on the economic development of the developing countries,

ber 1962, which confirm the inherent sovereign right of countries and peoples over their natural resources,

Taking account of its resolution 877 (XXXIII). of 16 April 1962, which requests the Secretary-General to submit biennial reports on development of non-agricultural resources,

Recalling its resolutions 1083 (XXXIX), of 30 July 1965, 1089 (XXXIX) and 1090 (XXXIX), of 31 July 1965,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 2082 (XX), 2083 (XX) and 2084 (XX), of 20 December 1965, concerning the United Nations Development Decade and stressing the role and the importance of the utilization of science and technology and qualified personnel in economic development,

Considering it necessary, in the second half of the United Nations Development Decade, to intensify international co-operation in developing the natural resources of the developing countries,

Considering the fundamental importance of the utilization of the natural resources of each country in the process of economic, and particularly, industrial development,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on work being done in the field of nonagricultural resources.12

1. Notes with satisfaction the results obtained through the research, training and operational activities performed by the Department of Economic and

<sup>10</sup> Transport of Dangerous Goods (1964) (United Nations publication, Sales No.: 64.VIII.1).
11 Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/4138).

<sup>12</sup> Ibid., Fortieth Session, Annexes, agenda item 7, document E/4132.