

Social Affairs in the field of non-agricultural resources development, including the acceleration of the transfer and adaptation of appropriate technology to development of resources in developing countries;

2. *Approves* the direction and priorities of continuing activities indicated in the report of the Secretary-General in the fields of surveying and mapping, mineral resources development, energy resources and water resources development;<sup>13</sup>

3. *Welcomes* the initiative taken by the Secretary-General in submitting to the Council a long-range programme designed as an important contribution to the second half of the United Nations Development Decade through the development of non-agricultural resources, with a view to strengthening the economic basis and economic independence of the developing countries;

4. *Recommends* that, taking into account relevant work of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Secretary-General may consult outside experts specially qualified in the various fields of non-agricultural resources development, on the various proposed surveys and projects and the priorities that should be assigned to them within the proposed programme, with a view to achieving the targets of the Decade;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consult the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, at its fifth session, on the proposed programme, in accordance with Council resolution 1083 (XXXIX);

6. *Requests also* the Secretary-General to invite Governments to communicate their views and comments on this programme and the possibilities of financing it, including, as appropriate, an approach to Governments and organizations which are in a position to make available at their expense, experts, consultants and other resources;

7. *Requests further* the Secretary-General to report to the forty-first session on the results of the above consultations and to include detailed information about the costs of individual surveys and projects and possible methods of financing;

8. *Decides* to undertake, at its forty-first session, a

<sup>13</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I-IV.

general review for the purpose of rapidly defining the means and feasibility of implementing this programme.

*1417th plenary meeting,  
7 March 1966.*

#### 1114 (XL). Water desalination

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling and reaffirming* its resolutions 1033 A (XXXVII), of 14 August 1964 and 1069 (XXXIX), of 16 July 1965,

*Having considered* the Secretary-General's report on water desalination with special reference to developments in 1965,<sup>14</sup>

*Noting* the progress made in international co-operation through the United Nations family of organizations, in particular the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat and the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as on a bilateral basis,

*Noting further* the intensification of assistance under the United Nations Development Programme, and the further exchange of information through the First International Symposium on Water Desalination and the United Nations Seminar on the Economic Application of Water Desalination,

*Believing* that further expansion of activities in this field is desirable to meet the needs of the developing countries that are short of water and the world at large and that commensurate resources should be made available,

1. *Approves* the work programme proposed in the Secretary-General's report;<sup>15</sup>

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take steps to marshal the resources necessary for implementing this work programme, including, as appropriate, an approach to Governments and organizations that might make the services of experts and consultants, as well as other resources, available at their expense;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report periodically on developments in the field of desalination.

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<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, agenda item 7, document E/4142.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 27-30.

### SOCIAL QUESTIONS

#### 1104 (XL). Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

*The Economic and Social Council*

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (twentieth session);<sup>16</sup>

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, at each annual session, with the best available information on future project proposals for technical co-operation in the field of narcotic drugs control so that the Commission's comments and recommendations can be taken into account in the formulation of annual programme submissions;

3. *Approves* the recommendation outlined in the report of the Commission<sup>17</sup> concerning the convening

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/4140).

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 373-376.

of a committee of the Commission to study the question of substances not under international control, such as barbiturates, amphetamines and tranquillizers, and to report thereon to the Commission at its twenty-first session in December 1966;

4. *Recommends* that, if possible, the Committee's meetings should be limited to one week and be held with the minimum financial obligation to the United Nations.

*1416th plenary meeting,  
4 March 1966.*

#### 1105 (XL). The question of the coca leaf

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* that in the highlands of the Andean region, coca-leaf chewing constitutes a grave human