

Finding that international action in favour of the economic development of the developing countries is unfortunately hampered by major obstacles and that it is necessary that the fundamental causes of, and reasons for, the difficulty should be better understood,

Considering that it would be desirable to have by the end of the present United Nations Development Decade, the fullest review both of past experience and of possibilities for future action,

Noting that, in these circumstances, it is advisable to consider the desirability of holding under United Nations auspices a meeting so as to provide an opportunity for an exchange of ideas, principles and experiences in the field of economic development among specialists in this field who would participate in their personal capacities,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 2218 B (XXI) of 19 December 1966 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1152 (XLI) of 4 August 1966, and bearing in mind also the fact that a meeting such as that indicated in the preceding paragraph might be of considerable value for the formulation of the "international development strategy" which the General Assembly has requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to elaborate,

Mindful of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2218 A (XXI) of 19 December 1966, of the report of the Committee for Development Planning of the Economic and Social Council on its second session¹¹ and of the progress report of the Secretary-General,¹²

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit before the forty-fourth session of the Economic and Social Council a report containing ideas and considerations on the feasibility and advisability of a meeting such as that described above and the technical, administrative and financial measures which the holding of such a meeting would require,

2. *Decides* to consider, in the light of the report of the Secretary-General requested above, the desirability of convening before the end of the present Development Decade a meeting such as described above, to be attended by eminent persons nationals of States Members of the United Nations, or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency who have made a significant contribution in the field of economic development.

*1505th plenary meeting,
3 August 1967.*

1266 (XLIII). Second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2206 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on the second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and 2209 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on implementation of

¹¹ *Ibid.*

¹² *Ibid.*, *Forty-third Session, Annexes*, agenda item 3, document E/4376.

the recommendations made by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its first session,

Taking note of the Secretary-General's statement¹³ that "our efforts must be bent towards creating a more favourable trade and aid environment for the developing countries... in preparation for the Second United Nations Conference on Trade and Development which will assemble in New Delhi in February of next year" and the fervent hope expressed by him that "the Kennedy Round will be followed by a "New Delhi Round" which will begin to complete the work that remains unfinished",

Taking note also, in this connexion, of the statement by the Under-Secretary for Economic and Social Affairs,¹⁴

Noting with satisfaction that the general discussion of international economic and social policy at its 1481st to 1489th meetings has revealed the great interest which States Members of the United Nations attach to the second session of the Conference and their determination to make all efforts for the fulfilment of its objectives,

Recognizing the importance of the second session of the Conference as a forum for the consideration of further action for the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the first session of the Conference, and of the adoption of additional measures for the expansion of trade and the acceleration of economic development of developing countries,

1. *Expresses* the hope that further substantial progress will be achieved before the second session of the Conference in the implementation of the recommendations adopted at its first session in the light of General Assembly resolution 2209 (XXI) of 17 December 1966, and that the preparatory work in respect of additional measures in the field of trade and development of the developing countries will be completed in good time before the second session, so as to facilitate decisions on the adoption of such measures at that session;

2. *Invites* the States members of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the organizations concerned in the United Nations system, to make additional efforts to implement the General Assembly resolutions referred to above and to extend their full co-operation in ensuring the success of the second session of the Conference;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to continue to make preparations with a view to achieving at the second session of the Conference practical and concrete results of benefit to world trade and particularly to developing countries.

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1269 (XLIII). Report of the Industrial Development Board

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Industrial Development

¹³ *Ibid.*, *Forty-third Session*, 1480th meeting.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, 1504th meeting and E/L.1189.