

or other official responsible for social welfare, accompanied whenever possible by appropriate senior advisers ;

6. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to invite the specialized agencies concerned, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme and the regional economic commissions to send representatives to participate in the conference, and the main non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council and active in the social welfare field to send observers.

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1141 (XLI). Research-training programme on regional development in the social field

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1086 C (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965 entitled "Concerted practical action in the social field : research-training programme on regional development",

Noting the Secretary-General's report⁴¹ on progress made to date in the implementation of the above-mentioned resolution and his proposals for future action,

Noting in particular the hope expressed by the Secretary-General in his report that research and training projects on regional development can be financed through the United Nations Development Programme and other multilateral programmes, and that voluntary contributions may be obtained, as necessary, from governmental and non-governmental sources,

Considering that, as a next step, exploratory consultations should be held with interested countries in order to determine the feasibility of including their regional development projects in the programme,

1. *Notes with interest* the report of the Secretary-General ;

2. *Request* the Secretary-General :

(a) To make the necessary arrangements for consultations with interested countries ;

(b) To undertake the necessary consultations with the regional economic commissions, the specialized agencies, the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning and other appropriate United Nations bodies, in accordance with paragraph 2 (a) of Council resolution 1086 C (XXXIX) ;

(c) To report to the Commission for Social Development at its eighteenth session and to the Council at its forty-third session on progress made in this work.

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1143 (XLI). World social situation

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the 1965 *Report on the World Social Situation*,⁴²

⁴¹ E/CN/5/403.

⁴² E/CN.5/402 and Add.1.

Recognizing the importance of the question of popular participation in planning and implementation of development, including the question of incentives in industry and in agriculture, considered in that *Report*,

Bearing in mind the considerations set forth in part I of Council resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966, in particular that concerning the role of the State and the public sector in the promotion of balanced and sound economic and social development and in the raising of the welfare of the population,

Noting the need for basic social reforms in order to provide incentives and opportunities for greater popular participation in development,

1. *Notes* the conclusions and recommendations of the 1965 *Report on the World Social Situation*, as incorporated in the report of the Social Commission ;⁴³

2. *Calls* the attention of the Committee for Development Planning to the *Report* ;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to disseminate the findings of the *Report*, together with the relevant views expressed at the seventeenth session of the Social Commission and at the forty-first session of the Economic and Social Council, through the appropriate operational channels of the United Nations and the Member States ;

4. *Invites* the Commission for Social Development to pursue its work in the field of popular participation in development, in the light of the programme in the social field approved in part I of Council resolution 1139 (XLI), in co-operation with the Committee for Development Planning, taking into account needs for reforms and reorientation of public administration for this purpose ;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in continuing his work on this subject, to draw, as appropriate, on the resources of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development ;

6. *Invites* the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and other United Nations organizations concerned, to consider the possibility of intensifying their efforts to assist developing countries in building up incentives which would commit the labour force to higher productivity ;

7. *Invites* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to consider the possibility of increasing its assistance to developing countries in reorienting their educational systems as a means of promoting desirable social change and greater participation in development.

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1144 (XLI). Report of the Social Commission

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Social Commission on its seventeenth session.⁴⁴

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⁴³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 10 (E/4206)*, para. 110.

⁴⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 10 (E/4206).