- 1. Requests the Secretary-General to include in the agenda of the fourth session of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning an item entitled "Training of national cadres and skilled personnel in the field of housing, building and planning, particularly for the needs of developing countries";
 - 2. Invites the Secretary-General:
- (a) To recommend to the Governments of Member States that they continue to take the necessary measures to ensure the creation and strengthening of programmes for the training of adequate skilled personnel in the field of housing, building and planning, particularly for the needs of developing countries;
- (b) To elaborate, for the fourth session of the Committee, in co-operation with the specialized agencies and the governmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, a study on the needs for the training of national skilled cadres in the field of housing, building and planning, on the experience of various countries of this subject, and on the ways and means of training, using both domestic resources and large-scale international co-operation in this field;
- 3. *Invites* the specialized agencies concerned to facilitate the elaboration by the Secretary-General of the study mentioned in paragraph 2 (b) above.

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1168 (XLI). Social aspects of housing and urban development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recognizing that social aspects of housing and urban development represent an important sphere of the activity designed to meet urgent social conditions all over the world,

Bearing in mind that the social aspects of housing and urban development constitute a component of the housing policy and programmes of the Governments of Member States,

Taking note of the recommendations regarding the social aspects of housing contained in the reports of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its first and second sessions,⁴⁷ as well as in the reports of the Social Commission on its fifteenth and sixteenth sessions,⁴⁸

Acknowledging the note of the Secretary-General on social aspects of housing and urban development ⁴⁹ submitted to the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning at its third session,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to distribute widely the revised report on social aspects of housing and urban

⁴⁷ Ibid., Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 13 (E/3719/Rev.1) and ibid., Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/3858).

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development,⁵⁰ after taking into account the comments of all Governments and specialized agencies;

- 2. Further requests the Secretary-General:
- (a) To initiate, within the limits of the existing budget and in co-operation with the specialized agencies and governmental and non-governmental organizations concerned, a study on the experience of countries which have made substantial progress in solving the social problems of housing and urban development, paying particular attention to such aspects as: an appropriate programme of economic development in urban and rural areas leading to an accelerated raising of the standard of living, the provision of appropriate dwellings for all, the initiation and construction of housing for low-income families, the keeping of rents within a reasonable share of family incomes, the improvement of existing housing and the clearance of slums;
- (b) To intensify the international exchange of experience in this field through the Centre for Housing, Building and Planning, the committees for housing of the regional economic commissions and other international bodies;
- 3. Requests further the Secretary-General to inform the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, at its fourth session, of the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution;
- 4. Recommends that Governments of Member States take appropriate steps to deal with the most important social aspects of housing and urban development, such as those mentioned in paragraph 2 (a) of the present resolution.

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1169 (XLI). Report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its third session.⁵¹

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1170 (XLI). Financing of housing and community facilities

The Economic and Social Council,

Conscious of the economic and social impact of the acute deficiency of housing and community facilities in rapidly growing urban areas, particularly in the developing countries,

Considering the significance and importance, for the attainment of economic and social development objectives, of finding a solution to the problem of uncontrolled growth in the peripheral zones of many towns in developing countries,

Having regard to the acute shortage of capital available for investment in housing and community facilities, particularly in the developing countries,

⁴⁸ Ibid., Thirty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/3769) and ibid., Thirty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 12 (E/4061).

⁵⁰ Ibid., annex.

⁵¹ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/4124).