are incorporated and implemented in national development plans,

- 1. Calls upon the Committee for Development Planning to take into account the following considerations among others in formulating its proposals for the goals and programmes of the next decade:
- (a) Social as well as economic goals should be formulated, taking into account the close relationship and interaction between the economic and social aspects of development and the need for coherent and integrated national development policies;
- (b) Goals should reflect the varying needs and conditions of different regions, urban and rural areas, and groups of countries within a region;
- (c) Goals should take into account the need to provide equitably for various regions and population groups within a country;
- (d) Programmes should take into account the importance of rates of population growth and patterns of distribution consistent with each country's goals for social progress;
- (e) Programmes should give particular attention to the necessity of structural and institutional changes, including land reform; to the significance of equitable distribution of income and the widespread availability in rural and urban areas of education, health, housing, community development, social welfare and other services; to the training of cadres including social planning, research and operational personnel; to the encouragement of local participation and to means of implementing national plans;
- (f) Goals should reflect the role of international assistance in accelerating the economic and social progress of developing countries;
- (g) Programmes shall take into consideration the urgent necessity of encouraging increased international assistance needed to reverse the trend of—and eventually to bridge—the widening economic gap between developed and developing countries;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Commission for Social Development at its twentieth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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1321 (XLIV). Work programme of the Commission for Social Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that the regular programme of technical assistance has, since its establishment in 1946, provided an effective means of initiating operational activities in the social field, and that its flexibility has permitted new and urgent needs of Governments for technical assistance to be met,

Taking into account that the regular programme of technical assistance has been a main link between the regional economic commissions and the countries they serve, as well as an important instrument for assisting Governments in the implementation of social policies recommended by the competent United Nations organs,

Noting further the importance that the Commission for Social Development places on the role of the regular programme in enabling the United Nations to respond quickly and effectively to urgent needs and also in preparing the way for comprehensive and longer-term projects eligible for assistance under the United Nations Development Programme,

Aware of the fact that the Secretary-General intends to submit to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its seventh session a study of the purpose and objectives of the regular programme and its relationship to other programmes of the United Nations Development Programme, together with any recommendation he may deem appropriate,

- 1. Requests the Secretary-General, in preparing the above-mentioned study on the regular programme, to give particular attention to the role of this programme in promoting social development and in helping to ensure an adequate increase in, and the maximum effectiveness of, the United Nations technical cooperation services as a whole, in terms of their ability to meet the needs for assistance in the social field;
- 2. Urges Governments to make effective use for social development purposes of the resources of the United Nations Development Programme;
- 3. Calls upon Governments to continue to improve their planning methods and machinery in order to facilitate the formulation, whenever appropriate, of integrated requests to the United Nations Development Programme in which the social, economic and administrative aspects are taken fully into account.

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1322 (XLIV). Social policy and the distribution of national income

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1086 D (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965 on the distribution of income in the nation,

Reaffirming its interest in the question of social policy and the distribution of national income,

Taking note of the discussion on this subject at the nineteenth session of the Commission for Social Development,

Taking note of the report of the Group of Experts on Social Policy and the Distribution of Income in the Nation³⁹ and expressing approval of the general lines of the Secretary-General's proposals for a programme of work in this field,⁴⁰

- 1. Decides to include in the agenda of one of its forthcoming sessions, as a separate item, the question of social policy and the just and equitable distribution of national income, and to consider this question in the light of the above-mentioned report and the Secretary-General's proposals for the work programme;
- 2. Requests the Commission for Social Development to report periodically to the Economic and Social Council on the progress of its work in this field.

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40 E/CN.5/420.

⁸⁹ E/CN.5/420/Add.1.