

field of transport within the United Nations system of organizations,⁷³

Being aware of the rapid advance in transport technology and of the need for the improvement and extension of transport systems, particularly in developing countries, and of the interest of the United Nations in assisting Governments in their efforts to bring about sound transport development as an integral aspect of over-all economic development of the countries concerned,

Taking into account the expansion and diversification in recent years of the activities at national and international levels in respect of transport development, involving a large number of organizations and units within the United Nations system,

1. *Decides* to place on the agenda of the forty-seventh session of the Council a separate item entitled "Review of the activities of the United Nations system of organizations in the transport field", in order to permit a consideration in depth of developments and requirements in the field of transport in a manner that will help achieve the necessary integration and co-ordination of such programmes within the United Nations family;

2. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in preparation for the discussion of this problem at the forty-seventh session to prepare, in consultation with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and interested specialized agencies, the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut, a report on the major transport problems of developing countries in the context of their economic and social development, with special reference to the latest technological developments and their impact on the programmes and activities of the organizations of the United Nations system designed to assist the developing countries in the improvement of their transport facilities, and to transmit the report, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination for its comments and suggestions, to the Council.

*1561st plenary meeting,
2 August 1968.*

1373 (XLV). Division of responsibilities among the United Nations Secretariat units concerned with shipping and ports

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1202 (XLII) of 26 May 1967,

Taking note of the measures adopted by the Secretary-General as set forth in his report on this subject,⁷⁴

Taking note of resolution 6 (II) dated 22 March 1968 of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,

1. *Invites* the attention of all the appropriate bodies in the United Nations system to the measures adopted by the Secretary-General as set forth in his report;

⁷³ *Ibid.*, document E/4509.

⁷⁴ *Ibid.*, document E/4462.

2. *Invites* also the attention of all the appropriate bodies in the United Nations system to resolution 6 (II) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

3. *Recommends* that the usual administrative steps be taken through the appropriate bodies of the United Nations to enable the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to fulfil their respective tasks as set forth in the Secretary-General's report.

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2 August 1968.*

1374 (XLV). Proposed amendment to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1281 (XLIII) of 4 August 1967 concerning, *inter alia*, the improvement of procedures for inter-agency consultations on new proposals coming before the Council and its subsidiary organs, and

Noting the suggestion of the Administrative Committee on Coordination in its thirty-fourth report to the Council relating to the application of the principle of rule 80 of the rules of procedure to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly,⁷⁵

1. *Draws the attention* of the General Assembly to Council resolution 1281 (XLIII) and to the thirty-fourth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

2. *Recommends* to the General Assembly that it amend its rules of procedure in the following manner:

(a) Insert a new chapter XVII to be entitled "Co-ordination of economic and social questions";

(b) Renumber the existing chapter XVII to become chapter XVIII. Renumber the following chapter accordingly.

(c) Insert a new rule 162, as follows:

*" Consultation with specialized agencies
and the International Atomic Energy Agency*

" Rule 162

" 1. Where an item proposed for the provisional agenda or the supplementary list for a session, or as an additional item under rule 15, contains a proposal for new activities [of an economic and financial nature or of a social and humanitarian nature] to be undertaken by the United Nations relating to matters which are of direct concern to one or more specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Secretary-General shall enter into consultation with the agency or agencies concerned and report to the General Assembly on the means of achieving co-ordinated use of the resources of the respective agencies.

" 2. Where a proposal put forward in the course of a meeting of either the General Assembly or a Main

⁷⁵ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 23, document E/4486, para. 18.