

Recalling Council resolutions 975 F (XXXVI) of 1 August 1963 and 1024 A (XXXVII) of 11 August 1964 and General Assembly resolutions 1917 (XVIII) of 5 December 1963 and 2036 (XX) of 7 December 1965, in which the Council and the Assembly placed the highest priority on the need for appropriate emergency action in this field during the second half of the United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling further the statement by the Secretary-General, in his interim report on the United Nations Development Decade,⁵² that the United Nations will attempt to provide a new type of international assistance in housing and urban development to countries faced with problems of large-scale, rapid transition from rural-agricultural to urban-industrial societies, requiring more large-scale operational projects with substantial capital outlays than have been possible in the past,

Taking note further of the views expressed on this subject by the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning at its third session, in its discussions and in chapter III of its report,⁵³

Taking into account the fact that a considerable number of developing countries have economic and social development plans and programmes in which high priority has generally been given to the problem of housing,

1. Calls upon States Members of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to continue, particularly in developing countries, to give attention to the need to increase the flow of domestic and external funds into the financing of housing and community facilities ;

2. Requests international and regional development

⁵² *Ibid.*, Annexes, agenda item 5, document E/4196, paras. 257-259.

⁵³ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 9 (E/4124).

finance institutions to continue to make special efforts to respond to requests for assistance in financing housing and community development projects, including the financing of more efficient building material industries, and of research and experimental institutions responsible for finding systems and standards for the attainment of greater productivity in the building industry in general and a better utilization of suitable local materials, especially for the construction of low-cost housing ;

3. Further requests the Secretary-General :

(a) To formulate, with the advice of the regional economic commission secretariats, the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut and of such additional consultant services as he deems necessary, and after consultation with the international agencies concerned, specific proposals for :

(i) New approaches, methods, forms and institutional facilities that would serve to increase the volume and effectiveness of the flow of domestic and external, public and private funds applied to programmes in housing and community facilities ;

(ii) Concerted action on the part of the United Nations, including the United Nations Organization for Industrial Development, the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut and other international agencies concerned, which would serve to facilitate the speedy and effective implementation of these proposals and of the over-all programme for accelerating the financing of housing and community facilities ;

(b) To report his findings to the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning as soon as possible.

1445th plenary meeting,
5 August 1966.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS

1123 (XLI). Advisory services in the field of human rights: regional seminar on the effective realization of human rights at the national level

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting that a regional seminar on the effective realization of human rights at the national level is being organized in Jamaica in 1967 for countries and territories within the Western Hemisphere,⁵⁴

Believing that the discussion of this subject will be significantly assisted by the personal attendance and participation of expert representatives from a few countries which have distinct institutions for guaranteeing human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Requests the Secretary-General to make arrangements, in consultation with the host Government, for the attend-

ance of not more than four such participants from countries and territories outside the Western Hemisphere.

1439th plenary meeting,
26 July 1966.

1124 (XLI). Advisory services in the field of human rights: seminar on the civic and political education of women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 926 (X) of 14 December 1955 and Council resolutions 605 (XXI) of 3 May 1956 and 1017 (XXXVII) of 30 July 1964,

Recalling also Council resolution 1067 A (XXXIX) of 16 July 1965, under which a new series of annual seminars on the civic and political education of women was initiated,

⁵⁴ E/CN.4/896-E/CN.6/452, para. 16 and annex.

Considering that it has not been possible to organize a seminar on the subject in 1966,

Noting that four regional seminars on the participation of women in public life have been held : in Thailand in 1957, in Colombia in 1959, in Ethiopia in 1960, and in Mongolia in 1965,

Considering that the seminars on civic and political education will be in the nature of demonstration or pilot projects to be adapted and used for follow-up projects at the national and local levels to equip women for more effective service to their countries,

Believing that one seminar among the new series of seminars on civic and political education of women could be organized on a world-wide rather than on a regional basis,

1. *Decides* that, without prejudice to regional seminars on this subject, a seminar on the civic and political education of women should be organized on a world-wide basis ;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the host Government and the Chairman of the Commission on the Status of Women, to invite State Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to nominate participants to attend such a seminar, bearing in mind that the various geographical areas and cultures should be represented.

*1439th plenary meeting,
26 July 1966.*

1125 (XLI). Programme of advisory services in the field of human rights

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the reports submitted by the Secretary-General on the programme of advisory services in the fields of human rights,⁵⁵ and the comments on the programme made by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,⁵⁶

Noting with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the evaluation of the fellowship programme⁵⁷ prepared at the request of the Council in part III of its resolution 1062 (XXXIX) of 13 July 1965,

Recalling its resolution 1067 A (XXXIX) of 16 July 1965, in which it recommended that the Secretary-General examine the possibility of holding an additional annual seminar on the civic and political education of women, and noting that it has not been possible to organize two such seminars in 1966 and that it may not be possible to organize them in 1967 or 1968,

Noting with approval that the plans for 1968 include two seminars to be organized on a world-wide basis,

⁵⁵ E/CN.4/896-E/CN.6/452 and Add.1-2; and *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Annexes*, agenda item 23, document E/4213.

⁵⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Supplement No. 11 A* (E/4219), para. 225.

⁵⁷ E/CN.4/897-ECN.6/453.

1. *Approves* the programme of advisory services proposed for 1967 ;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to make appropriate adjustments within the programme of seminars to enable not more than four participants from countries and territories outside the Western Hemisphere to attend the regional seminar on the effective realization of human rights at the national level, which is being organized in co-operation with the Government of Jamaica, and to make it possible for the seminar on the civic and political education of women, which is being organized in co-operation with the Government of Finland, to be held on a world-wide basis ;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to arrange the programme of seminars for 1968 in such a way as to make it possible to hold a third seminar on a subject relating to the status of women ;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consider the possibility of using some fellowship funds for a pilot project in group, rather than individual, training.

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26 July 1966.*

1126 (XLI). Slavery

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Special Rapporteur on Slavery,⁵⁸ prepared in accordance with Council resolutions 960 (XXXVI) of 12 July 1963 and 1077 (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1841 (XVII) of 19 December 1962 and Council resolutions 722 D (XXX) of 25 July 1960, 826 E (XXXII) of 27 July 1961, 890 (XXXIV) of 24 July 1962 and 1077 (XXXIX), on slavery,

Believing that slavery in all its forms, the trade in persons, *apartheid* and colonialism should be eradicated,

Believing that action should be taken to put an end to slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including the slavery-like practices and aspects of *apartheid* and colonialism,

Believing further that the participation of all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency in the International Slavery Convention of 1926 and the Supplementary Convention of 1956, and the full implementation by them of those Conventions, would constitute an important advance towards the achievement of this end,

Considering that the observance of the International Year for Human Rights in 1968 offers an opportunity for a review of the effectiveness of United Nations action for the eradication of slavery,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the report of the Special Rapporteur on Slavery, Mr. Mohamed Awad ;

2. *Calls again upon* all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies and the

⁵⁸ E/4168 and Add.1-5.