

“*The General Assembly,*

“*Recalling* the recommendation contained in annex A.II.6 of the Final Act of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development,<sup>88</sup> relating to the World Food Aid Programme, and its resolution 2096 (XX) of 20 December 1965 calling for a study of the ‘means and policies which would be required for large-scale international action of a multilateral character, under the auspices of the United Nations system, for combating hunger effectively’.

“*Gravely concerned* both at the growing food shortage in the developing countries, which is due to a decline in their production of foodstuffs accompanied by a high population growth rate, and at the reduction of surplus stocks of such foodstuffs in the exporting countries,

“*Taking note* of the fact that, according to the third world food survey carried out by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the total food supplies in the developing countries should, between 1957-1959 and 1975, increase by some 80 per cent to ensure a reasonable rise in nutrition levels,

“*Considering further* that international food aid should be the subject of concerted and planned measures designed to make available to the developing countries a more regular flow of foodstuffs supplementing outside financial resources, with a view to supporting the efforts of those countries to finance their development, and more particularly to ensure the growth of their agricultural production, to absorb unemployment and, in the short term, to make good their food shortage,

“*Having considered* the Secretary-General’s report on the arrangements made with a view to the preparation of the programme of studies called for in its resolution 2096 (XX)<sup>89</sup> and drawing attention particularly to the need for modification of the draft outline for an interagency study on multilateral food aid to take into account the discussions in the inter-governmental bodies concerned and in the light of further interagency consultations,

“*Having considered further* the extract from the report of the fortieth session of the Committee on Commodity Problems of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations concerning the international study of multilateral food aid,<sup>90</sup> containing *inter alia* suggestions for modifications of the draft outline for the study prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution 2096 (XX),

“*Considering* that, according to the present work schedule, the final report called for in resolution 2096 (XX) will not be available before the beginning of 1968, but that it is nevertheless necessary that the first studies prepared should be taken into consideration at the second session of the United Nations Con-

ference on Trade and Development and at other international meetings dealing with the question of foodstuffs,

“1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and in consultation with the other organizations and programmes concerned, and taking advantage of the facilities of the United Nations, including particularly the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development :

“(a) To bear in mind the second, third and fourth preambular paragraphs of this resolution, the suggestions contained in the report of the fortieth session of the Committee on Commodity Problems of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations concerning the draft outline for the study, and the suggestions formulated by States members of the Economic and Social Council at its forty-first session ;

“(b) To submit the study called for in resolution 2096 (XX) as soon as possible, taking into account the views of the States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency and the work done by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in connexion with the Indicative World Plan ;

“2. *Welcomes* the statement by the Secretary-General to the Economic and Social Council<sup>91</sup> that the study in question should constitute a ‘guide for policy-making consideration’ ;

“3. *Expresses its satisfaction* at the Secretary-General’s decision<sup>92</sup> to submit, in co-operation with the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and in consultation with other interested international organizations and programmes, a detailed preliminary report on the first results obtained in the preparation of the above-mentioned study ;

“4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit this report to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-third session and to the General Assembly at its twenty-second session.”

*1442nd plenary meeting,  
4 August 1966.*

## 1150 (XLI). World Food Programme

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the fourth annual report of the Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme,<sup>93</sup>

<sup>88</sup> *Ibid.*, Forty-first Session, 1421st meeting.

<sup>89</sup> *Ibid.*, Forty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 16, document E/4210/Add.1.

<sup>90</sup> “Fourth Annual report of the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and to the Council of FAO” (WFP/IGC : 9/22, May 1966) (*Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 16, document E/4211*).

<sup>88</sup> *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development*, vol. I, *Final Act and Report* (United Nations publication, Sales No. : 64.II.B.11), p. 32.

<sup>89</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 16, document E/4210*.

<sup>90</sup> *Ibid.*, document E/4236.

*Recognizing* the dangers inherent in the present world food situation and the value of food aid in promoting economic and social development while at the same time helping to meet food deficits,

*Noting* that the resources currently available to the World Food Programme for the three years 1966-1968 amount to only \$155 million, whereas the target established by the General Assembly and the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations is \$275 million,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the work so far accomplished by the World Food Programme in meeting emergency food needs and in undertaking development projects falling into a wide variety of economic and social sectors, in consultation and co-operation, where appropriate, with other programmes and organizations of the United Nations family ;

2. *Appeals urgently* to States Members of the United Nations and members and associate members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for further contributions to the Programme, in commodities, cash or services, with a view to reaching the goal of \$275 million for the period 1966-1968.

*1442nd plenary meeting,  
4 August 1966.*

#### **1151 (XLI). Evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1042 (XXXVII) of 15 August 1964 and 1092 (XXXIX) of 31 July 1965,

*Noting with appreciation* the report of the Secretary-General on the evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation together with the reports of the evaluation teams sent to Chile, Thailand and Tunisia,<sup>94</sup>

*Noting further* the comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on these reports,<sup>95</sup>

*Expressing its appreciation* to the Governments and evaluation teams which co-operated in the preparation of the reports,

*Convinced* that proper evaluation procedures would not only ensure a more efficient use of available resources but also help to increase support for the technical co-operation activities of the United Nations system of organizations,

#### **I**

1. *Decides* to continue and develop its systematic evaluation of the over-all and the specific impact and effectiveness of the operational programmes of the United Nations family of organizations ;

2. *Endorses* the establishment of an interagency study group by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordina-

<sup>94</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-first Session, Annexes, agenda item 15, document E/4151 and Add.1-3.*

<sup>95</sup> *Ibid.*, agenda item 3, document E/4191, paras. 70-76.

tion to examine the reports of the evaluation teams and to propose practical steps, as appropriate, for rendering more effective the operation of technical co-operation programmes ;

3. *Welcomes* the initiation by the Secretary-General of a study of those aspects of the reports which concern the operational activities of the United Nations itself ;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Council at its forty-third session on the results of the studies referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 above ;

5. *Decides*, in response to the hope expressed in the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its second session,<sup>96</sup> to make available to the Governing Council the above-mentioned evaluation reports and all such reports in the future ;

#### **II**

*Conscious* of the responsibilities of the Governments concerned for the co-ordination and evaluation of technical co-operation programmes from various sources and for the need to relate those programmes to economic and social priorities,

*Convinced* that further experience is required in ascertaining the appropriate techniques for evaluating the impact of international programmes of economic and social development,

1. *Notes with interest* the proposals of the Secretary-General, contained in his report, aimed at providing a greater degree of continuity in United Nations evaluation activities, in particular by improving methods and developing standards ;

2. *Invites* States Members of the United Nations to make every effort to strengthen their own co-ordination and evaluation procedures ;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and in consultation with the executive heads of the organizations of the United Nations system, to undertake a limited number of further evaluation projects in conformity with resolutions 1042 (XXXVII) and 1092 (XXXIX), as outlined in paragraphs 43 to 47 of the Secretary-General's report and bearing in mind the comments contained in paragraph 75 of the report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-third session on the progress achieved ;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to inform the Council at its forty-third session of steps which he may have found it possible to take to further the development of methods and standards for the evaluation of the over-all impact of technical co-operation programmes ;

#### **III**

*Requests* the United Nations and the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to

<sup>96</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 11 (E/4219).