

the programmes of education, the provision of satisfactory conditions of employment, protection against unemployment and the establishment of fair and equitable working conditions;

(b) Encourage meetings of youth at the national level with a view to providing youth forums for discussing and defining their problems and needs, recommending their solutions and suggesting fields in which they can best help in the over-all development efforts of the society;

(c) Ensure, by the appropriate means, the active and co-ordinated participation of youth in the formulation and implementation of development policy at all appropriate levels;

3. *Recommends* that the United Nations and its specialized agencies, particularly the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization, bearing in mind the need to co-ordinate their activities in this field, should take account of the problems relating to the material and spiritual conditions for the integration of the young generation into economic and social life when formulating the objectives for international activities such as the Second United Nations Development Decade, the International Education Year, the Indicative World Plan for Agricultural Development prepared by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the long-term employment plan drawn up by the International Labour Organisation and the problems of the human environment;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other specialized agencies and organizations concerned with young people, to prepare, as soon as possible, an analytical study in depth of the world social situation of youth, describing the needs and aspirations of youth and the most effective methods of meeting those needs;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in the provisional agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly an item entitled "The problems and needs of youth and its participation in national development".

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5 June 1969.*

1408 (XLVI). Report of the Special Rapporteurs appointed to undertake a review of technical co-operation activities in social development

The Economic and Social Council.

Recalling its resolution 1227 (XLI) of 6 June 1967 relating, *inter alia*, to the appointment of Special Rapporteurs to review technical co-operation activities in social development,

Having taken note of the report of the Special Rapporteurs appointed to undertake a review of technical co-operation activities in social development,¹⁹

1. *Commends* the Special Rapporteurs for the efficient way in which they have carried out their complex task and for the contribution their recommendations

could make in strengthening the operational programmes of the United Nations system;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Governments concerned for their co-operation in facilitating the work of the Special Rapporteurs and to the agencies and organizations which participated in the review, as well as to the Secretary-General and his assistants both at United Nations Headquarters and in the field;

3. *Recommends* that the report of the Special Rapporteurs, together with the comments made thereon in the Commission for Social Development and in the Council, be forwarded to Governments of Member States for their consideration and invites Governments to transmit to the Secretary-General as soon as possible their views thereon;

4. *Considers it important* that the findings and recommendations of the Special Rapporteurs, together with the relevant sections of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twentieth session,²⁰ should be given serious attention in plans and programmes for the Second United Nations Development Decade and by the agencies and organizations providing development assistance, especially the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the regional development banks;

5. For this purpose:

(a) *Decides* to consider the report of the Special Rapporteurs and the comments thereon as part of the documentation for its further work on preparations for the Second United Nations Development Decade and to examine the recommendations and the comments thereon relevant to the advancement of an integrated socio-economic development strategy for the Decade;

(b) *Recommends* that the report and the comments thereon be placed on the agenda of an appropriate session of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and that it be taken fully into account in the study on future needs for pre-investment activity in relation to the administrative capacity of the United Nations system to programme and implement such activities, which will be submitted to the Governing Council;

(c) *Recommends* that the report and the comments thereon be made available to the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination for its consideration;

(d) *Requests* the Secretary-General to make arrangements as soon as possible for an inter-agency study of the report and the comments thereon, to ensure that the recommendations which are directly related to practical co-operation among the agencies and organizations concerned with social development and the relevant views put forward during the discussions in the Commission for Social Development and the Economic and Social Council are considered in detail in the further strengthening of the operational programmes of the United Nations system;

6. *Further requests* the Commission for Social Development, at its twenty-first session:

(a) To review, on the basis of a progress report by the Secretary-General, action taken or planned on the recommendations of the Special Rapporteurs, and to consider the comments of Governments;

²⁰ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session*, document E/4620 and Corr.1, chap. V.

¹⁹ E/CN.5/432.

(b) To advise the Economic and Social Council on further steps the Commission considers necessary to ensure that the social aspects of development are effectively provided for in the programmes for the Second United Nations Development Decade and in the technical co-operation services of the United Nations system.

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1409 (XLVI). Second United Nations Development Decade with special reference to the social aspects

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1320 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 on the world social situation, in which it called upon the Committee for Development Planning to take into account a number of criteria for integrating social and economic goals and programmes in the formulation of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also its resolution 1356 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 concerning the United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 2411 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 on international strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 2436 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 concerning the *Report on the World Social Situation, 1967*²¹ and calling upon the economically advanced Member States which have not yet reached the target fixed in decision 27 (II) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, of 28 March 1968, on the aid volume target,²² to make every effort to reach it as soon as possible, so that the problems of social development can be dealt with appropriately in co-ordination with the solution of the problems of economic development,

Having considered with satisfaction the note by the Secretary-General to the Commission for Social Development at its twentieth session on the Second United Nations Development Decade with special reference to the social aspects,²³ as well as records of the debate on the item during that session of the Commission,²⁴

1. *Reaffirms* the necessity for the progressive integration of social and economic goals and programmes, particularly in the context of the strategy of the Second United Nations Development Decade:

2. *Stresses* in particular the need to consider social programmes as an essential factor in the process of economic growth as well as for furthering social aims and ensuring a healthy social and human environment:

3. *Emphasizes* the importance of formulating through close and direct consultations between the appropriate members of the United Nations family of organizations and officials and planners in the developing countries integrated goals and programmes for the Second United Nations Development Decade which

reflect the varied needs and capabilities of these countries:

4. *Recognizes* that the success of the Second United Nations Development Decade will greatly depend on the ways and means to achieve its goals and evaluate its progress;

5. *Calls upon* economically advanced countries which have not yet done so to implement decision 27 (II) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on the aid volume target;

6. *Decides*, in formulating the goals and programmes of the Second United Nations Development Decade:

(a) To take into account the above considerations;

(b) To utilize the expertise of the specialized agencies and other bodies, including the regional economic commissions, in the social development and planning fields, as well as in the corresponding economic fields;

(c) To make full use, *inter alia*, of the studies being undertaken by the United Nations Development Programme and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and of the recommendations of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

(d) To utilize fully the relevant studies being undertaken by the regional development banks;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to review and evaluate all means at his disposal to further the integrated aims of the Decade;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-first session, on progress achieved in the implementation of this resolution.

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1410 (XLVI). Periodicity of the reports on the world social situation

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling resolution 2215 (XXI) of 19 December 1966, in which the General Assembly, *inter alia*, requested the Secretary-General to submit periodic reports on the world social situation to the Assembly every three years,

Recalling also resolution 2436 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968, in which the General Assembly, *inter alia*, requested the Secretary-General to submit the next report on the world social situation in 1970 and requested the Economic and Social Council to ask the Commission for Social Development to consider at what intervals thereafter the report should be produced in order to accord with the timing of national development plans and the need to assess the world social situation in the middle and at the end of each decade,

Noting also that at the twentieth session of the Commission for Social Development the question was raised as to whether quinquennial rather than triennial reports would not fit in better with the timing of development plans, and the need to assess progress during the Second United Nations Development Decade,²⁵

²¹ United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.IV.9.

²² See *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Second Session*, vol. I and Corr.1 and Add.1, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.II.D.14), p. 38.

²³ E/CN.5/438 and Corr.1.

²⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session*, document E/4620 and Corr.1, chap. VI.

²⁵ *Ibid.*, document E/4620 and Corr.1, para. 116.