

(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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5 June 1969.

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

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.

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

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