

(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*<sup>21</sup> 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,<sup>22</sup> 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,<sup>23</sup> as well as records of the debate on the item during that session of the Commission,<sup>24</sup>

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

<sup>21</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.IV.9.

<sup>22</sup> 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.

<sup>23</sup> E/CN.5/438 and Corr.1.

<sup>24</sup> 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,<sup>25</sup>

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

1. *Takes note* of the request to the Secretary-General to submit the next report on the world social situation in 1970;

2. *Requests* the Commission for Social Development, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2436 (XXIII) to discuss the question of the periodicity of the reports on the world social situation at its twenty-first session.

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5 June 1969.

## 1411 (XLVI). Report of the Commission for Social Development

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twentieth session.<sup>26</sup>

1600th plenary meeting,  
5 June 1969.

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, document E/4620 and Corr.1.

## OTHER DECISIONS

### Land reform

At its 1602nd meeting, on 6 June 1969, the Council approved the decision of its Economic Committee<sup>27</sup> by which the Committee took note with appreciation of the Secretary-General's summary of the fifth report on progress in land reform,<sup>28</sup> and decided, after discussion, to ask the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, and other specialized agencies concerned, to submit a sixth report on this subject to the Council in 1974 and, in preparation of this report, to put special emphasis on the financial aspects of land reform and the possibilities of international co-operation in this field, on aims, principles and concrete methods of land reform planning and implementation, as well as on specific aspects and use of regional experiences.

### Social development

At its 1600th meeting, on 5 June 1969, the Council decided:

(a) To take into account its resolution 1407 (XLVI) when it considered item 13 of the provisional agenda of its forty-seventh session,<sup>29</sup> entitled "Programmes

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid.*, *Forty-sixth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 6, document E/4700, para. 8.

<sup>28</sup> E/4617 and Corr.1 and 2.

<sup>29</sup> E/L.1246 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1.

of international action relating to youth", in order to achieve co-ordination of the activities of its forty-sixth and forty-seventh sessions in the treatment of the problems of youth.

(b) To include in the documentation for item 3 of the provisional agenda of its forty-seventh session, entitled "Second United Nations Development Decade", chapters V and VI of the report of the Commission for Social Development<sup>30</sup> concerning the report of the Special Rapporteurs appointed to undertake a review of technical co-operation activities in social development and the Second United Nations Development Decade respectively.

(c) To endorse the work programme of the Commission for Social Development contained in chapter VII of the report of the Commission,<sup>30</sup> on the understanding that the observations and comments made by delegations during the Council's discussions would be taken into account in the implementation of the programme.

(d) To endorse the recommendation of the Commission for Social Development to increase from five to seven the number of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development to be elected by the Council, and to elect to membership of the Board the seven experts nominated by the Commission in paragraph 158 of its report.<sup>30</sup>

<sup>30</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session*, document E/4620 and Corr.1.

## QUESTIONS RELATING TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### 1426 (XLVI). Utilization of natural resources

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 523 (VI) of 12 January 1952, 626 (VII) of 21 December 1952, 1515 (XV) of 15 December 1960 and 1803 (XVII) of 14 December 1962,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 1113 (XL) of 7 March 1966 and 1127 (XLI) of 26 July 1966 concerning the utilization of non-agricultural resources,

*Recalling further* its resolution 1316 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 concerning United Nations activities in the field of non-agricultural resources,

*Taking note with approval* of the report of the Secretary-General on water desalination<sup>31</sup> and the note by the Secretary-General on data retrieval,<sup>32</sup>

<sup>31</sup> E/4625 and Corr.1.

<sup>32</sup> E/4634.

*Having considered* the note by the Secretary-General<sup>33</sup> and the oral statement of the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs<sup>34</sup> on the subject of the natural resources periodical,

*Taking note* of the comments of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination,<sup>35</sup>

*Convinced* that international co-operation through the United Nations should continue to play an important role in assisting the efforts of Governments in the fields of investigation and utilization of non-agricultural natural resources and the related developments in infrastructure,

*Recognizing* that the utilization of non-agricultural natural resources is an important factor in the economic development in general and the industrial progress of the developing countries in particular.

<sup>33</sup> E/4636.

<sup>34</sup> See E/AC.6/SR.481.

<sup>35</sup> E/AC.6/L.400.