

above for the creation of an international tourism organization of an intergovernmental character and, accordingly, to give the necessary instructions and powers to their representatives to the Union;

"5. *Decides*, once the statutes of the Union have been changed, that:

"(a) An agreement between the United Nations and the Union should be concluded which would establish close co-operation and relationships between the United Nations and the transformed Union, define the modalities of such co-operation and relationships, and recognize the decisive and central role that the Union is to play in the field of world tourism in co-operation with the existing machinery within the United Nations;

"(b) The Union should function as an executing agency of the United Nations Development Programme and participate in the activities of the Programme in order to assist in the preparation and implementation of technical assistance and pre-

investment projects in the field of tourism, financed by the Programme, and consideration should be given to enabling the Union to function as a participating and executing agency of the Programme;

"(c) Necessary procedures should be elaborated to enable the Union to submit, for the consideration of the Economic and Social Council, recommendations and proposals relating to international agreements to be drawn up in the field of tourism;

"6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Secretary-General of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, to prepare a report containing concrete proposals on measures to be taken for the full implementation of the provisions mentioned in paragraph 5 above, for submission to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-ninth session."

*1649th plenary meeting,  
18 November 1969.*

### *Other decision*

#### **Procedure for the consideration of the annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and of the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund**

##### *(Item 9)*

At its 1640th meeting, on 27 October 1969, the Council on the recommendation of the Secretary-General<sup>16</sup> decided that in future the annual report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees would be retained on the agenda of the Council's summer session on the understanding that the report would be transmitted to the General Assembly without debate unless the Council were to decide otherwise, at the specific request of one or more of its members or of the High Commissioner, at the time of the adoption of the agenda.

At the same meeting, the Council also decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the review of the work of the United Nations Children's Fund, in the form of a separate discussion in the Third Committee, should take place once every two years.

<sup>16</sup> See E/4751.

### **SPECIAL QUESTIONS**

#### **1468 (XLVII). Assistance to Tunisia in connexion with the floods of October 1969**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting with deep regret* the tragic consequences of the severe floods in Tunisia, which caused hundreds of deaths, left tens of thousands of persons homeless and caused very extensive material damage,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 2034 (XX) of 7 December 1965 and 2435 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968,

*Noting* the energetic and urgent measures taken by the Government of Tunisia to provide relief for the victims of the floods and to restore normal living conditions in the devastated areas,

*Further noting with appreciation* the assistance rendered to the victims of this disaster by many nations, the United Nations family of organizations, non-governmental organizations and individuals,

1. *Expresses its deep sympathy* to the people and Government of Tunisia regarding this catastrophe;

2. *Invites* Member States and non-governmental organizations to consider ways and means of rendering whatever further assistance they may be in a position to offer to the Government of Tunisia;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the heads of the specialized agencies, the Executive Directors of the World Food Programme and the United Nations Children's Fund, and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in the light of the funds available, to bear in mind the needs of the Government of Tunisia in connexion with its plans for the reconstruction of the devastated areas when deciding on the services to be provided to Member States.

*1645th plenary meeting,  
31 October 1969.*