

the organizations, agencies and commissions referred to in paragraph 3 above a questionnaire designed to elicit the basic information needed for their task;

5. *Recommends* that Governments of Member States accord special consideration in the formulation of requests and in the allocation of resources for technical assistance to problems of social development;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund and the specialized agencies concerned to give favourable consideration to requests for assistance in all aspects of the social field.

*1478th plenary meeting,
6 June 1967.*

1228 (XLII). Draft declaration on social development

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting the recommendations of the Commission for Social Development regarding preparation of the draft declaration on social development, contained in paragraph 56 of the Commission's report,³⁰

³⁰ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/4324 and Corr.1 and 2).*

Agrees that:

(a) The Working Party on the Draft Declaration on Social Development³¹ should meet ten to fourteen days before the nineteenth session of the Commission for Social Development to prepare a preliminary draft declaration for consideration by the Commission and through it by the Economic and Social Council in 1968;

(b) The Secretary-General should undertake consultations with the specialized agencies prior to the February 1968 session of the Working Party.

*1478th plenary meeting,
6 June 1967.*

1229 (XLII). Report of the Commission for Social Development

The Economic and Social Council,

Takes note of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its eighteenth session³² and of the work programme contained therein.³³

*1478th plenary meeting,
6 June 1967.*

³¹ *Ibid.*, paras. 44-56.

³² *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/4324 and Corr. 1 and 2).

³³ *Ibid.*, annex I.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS

1206 (XLII). Draft declaration on the elimination of discrimination against women

The Economic and Social Council,

Having taken note of resolution I (XX) of the Commission on the Status of Women relating to the draft declaration on the elimination of discrimination against women,³⁴

Submits to the General Assembly the revised text of the draft declaration annexed to the present resolution,

*1470th plenary meeting,
29 May 1967.*

ANNEX

Draft declaration on the elimination of discrimination against women

Preamble

The General Assembly,

Considering that the peoples of the United Nations have, in the Charter, reaffirmed their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of human person and in the equal rights of men and women,

Considering that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights asserts the principle of non-discrimination and proclaims that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights and that everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth therein, without distinction of any kind, including any distinction as to sex,

Taking into account the resolutions, declarations, conventions and recommendations of the United Nations and the specialized agencies designed to eliminate all forms of discrimination and to promote equal rights for men and women,

Concerned that, despite the Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other instruments of the United

Nations and the specialized agencies and despite the progress made in the matter of equality of rights, there continues to exist considerable discrimination against women,

Considering that discrimination against women is incompatible with human dignity, and with the welfare of the family and of society, prevents their participation, on equal terms with men, in the political, social, economic and cultural life of their countries, and is an obstacle to the full development of the potentialities of women in the service of their countries and of humanity,

Convinced that the full and complete development of a country, the welfare of the world, and the cause of peace require the maximum participation of women as well as men in all fields,

Considering that it is necessary to ensure the universal recognition in law and in fact of the principle of equality of men and women,

Solemnly proclaims this Declaration:

Article 1

Discrimination based on sex, denying or limiting as it does equal rights between men and women, is fundamentally unjust and constitutes an offence against human dignity.

Article 2

All appropriate measures shall be taken to abolish existing laws, customs, regulations and practices which are discriminatory against women, and to establish adequate legal protection for equal rights of men and women, in particular:

(a) The principle of equality of rights shall be embodied in the constitution or equivalent law of each country;

(b) The international instruments of the United Nations and the specialized agencies relating to the elimination of discrimination against women shall be ratified and fully implemented as soon as practicable.

Article 3

All appropriate measures shall be taken to educate public opinion and direct national aspirations towards the eradication

³⁴ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 7 (E/4316), para. 151.