

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL DURING  
ITS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION  
AND ITS MEETINGS OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION  
HELD FROM 23 MARCH TO 3 APRIL 1970**

**ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS**

**1480 (XLVIII). Natural resources satellites**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1426 (XLVI) of 6 June 1969,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on natural resources satellites,<sup>1</sup>

*Recognizing* that international co-operation is required for the reception, storage, interpretation and dissemination of resource satellite data, and that considerable preparatory work would be necessary for that purpose,

*Considering* that the Council should be kept fully informed and should keep the subject of natural resources satellites under active consideration, particularly with respect to their potentialities for natural resources development and related economic and social development,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;

2. Requests the Secretary-General to bring this report to the attention, for information and possible comments, of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development and other interested organizations of the United Nations system;

3. *Decides* to consider further, at its forty-ninth session, the suggestion of the Secretary-General<sup>2</sup> regarding the arrangements to be made for refining and elaborating the tentative recommendations contained in the annex to the report.

*1670th plenary meeting,  
2 April 1970.*

**1481 (XLVIII). Survey programme for the development of natural resources**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Survey Programme for the Development of Natural Resources on its second session,<sup>3</sup> and the recommendations contained therein,

*Recalling* its resolutions 1113 (XL) of 7 March 1966, 1127 (XLI) of 26 July 1966, 1218 (XLII) of

<sup>1</sup> E/4779 and Corr.1-3.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 8

<sup>3</sup> E/4797.

1 June 1967 and 1287 (XLII) of 18 December 1967, relating to the Survey Programme for the development of the world's natural resources,

*Recalling further* General Assembly resolution 2173 (XXI) of 6 December 1966, in which it endorsed the Secretary-General's proposal for the implementation of the aforementioned Survey Programme,

*Considering* that an early implementation of the Survey Programme could make a significant contribution to the accelerated economic and social progress of the developing countries,

*Concerned* that insufficient progress has been made in the implementation of the Survey Programme owing mainly to the lack of financial resources,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the preparatory work relating to the implementation of the Survey Programme;

2. *Urges* the Governing Council and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to contribute to the implementation of the Survey Programme by giving fullest consideration to the financing of country or regional project requests, or both, and to the waiving of counterpart and local cost contributions in appropriate cases, taking into account any further action by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in this regard;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, to submit to the Council at its fiftieth session a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution.

*1670th plenary meeting,  
2 April 1970.*

**1482 (XLVIII). Development of natural resources**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* the importance of establishing an inter-governmental body in the field of natural resources,

*Aware* of the need for fuller consultations,

*Decides, accordingly,* to continue the discussion of this particular question at its forty-ninth session, on the basis of the draft resolution which was submitted to it at its forty-eighth session.<sup>4</sup>

*1672nd plenary meeting,  
3 April 1970.*

<sup>4</sup> E/L.1306/Rev.1.