

system more efficient and to ensure more rational use of means and resources,

Having examined the reports of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the first and second parts of its third session,⁷³ including the recommendations made therein, and the views of the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the revision of the mandate of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination,⁷⁴

Noting the efforts made by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination with a view to promoting rational compilation and execution of the work programmes of the organizations, agencies and machinery of the United Nations system, as well as improving co-ordination, and eliminating duplication and overlapping in the work of those organs,

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the first and second parts of its third session;

⁷³ E/4670 and Corr.1 and E/4716.

⁷⁴ See E/AC.51/GR/22, annex I.

2. *Invites* the Enlarged Committee for Programme and Co-ordination when examining the machinery for improving and rationalizing the present and future activities of the United Nations system of organizations, to take into consideration the opinions expressed on that subject at the Council's forty-seventh session,⁷⁵ in order to report to the Council at its resumed forty-seventh session and to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session, with a view to strengthening the Council's co-ordinating role;

3. *Recommends* that the practice of holding joint meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination should be pursued;

4. *Decides* to return, at its forty-ninth session, to a detailed examination of the question of devising further measures to strengthen the co-ordinating role of the Council.

*1637th plenary meeting,
8 August 1969.*

⁷⁵ See E/AC.24/SR.385 and 386.

OTHER DECISION

Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning activities of the United Nations

At its 1637th meeting, on 8 August 1969, the Council decided to request the Secretary-General to arrange for copies of the full reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning activities of the United Nations itself to be made available to delegations during the sessions of the General Assembly together with the comments thereon of the Secretary-General and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

SPECIAL QUESTIONS

1433 (XLVII). Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note with satisfaction of the report prepared by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees⁷⁶ for transmission to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session.

*1622nd plenary meeting,
28 July 1969.*

1436 (XLVII). International Education Year

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2412 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968, by which the Assembly decided to designate 1970 as International Education Year,

⁷⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 11 (A/7611)*, transmitted to the Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/4677 and Corr.1).

Recalling further its previous resolution 1355 (XLV) of 2 August 1968, in which it recognized that education in a broad sense is an indispensable factor to the development of human resources and to economic and social development in general, and considered that the proposed International Education Year should go beyond the scope of a celebration and aim at promoting a double effort of reflection and action for educational progress by Governments and the international community at large,

Having examined the progress report⁷⁷ prepared by the Secretary-General, with the assistance of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, in compliance with General Assembly resolution 2412 (XXIII),

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the measures being taken by the organizations of the United Nations system in the preparations for International Education Year;

2. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the organizations of the

⁷⁷ E/4707 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2.