

*Having considered* the working procedures for transmitting and handling reports of the Joint Inspection Unit contained in annex V to the thirty-fifth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,<sup>59</sup>

*Having considered also* the section of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the second part of its third session regarding this subject<sup>60</sup> and the relevant extract of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>61</sup>

*Bearing in mind* the basic procedures for handling the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit founded upon the recommendations of the *Ad Hoc* Committee of Experts to Examine the Finances of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies,<sup>62</sup> General Assembly resolution 2150 (XXI) of 4 November 1966 and the report of the second series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination.<sup>63</sup>

*Considering it necessary* to make certain supplementary arrangements, in the light of experience,

1. *Endorses* the consensus reached by the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination<sup>64</sup> with regard to the handling of the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit;

2. *Endorses also*, subject to the modifications expressed in that consensus, the working procedures envisaged in annex V to the thirty-fifth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

3. *Requests, in particular*, that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning more than one agency or involving system-wide problems should be submitted to the Council, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, together with the observations of the executive heads concerned, within three months of the original submission of the reports to the executive heads:

4. *Endorses* the suggestions for co-operation with the Joint Inspection Unit contained in paragraph 57 (d), (e) and (f) of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the second part of its third session,<sup>65</sup> subject to the comments in paragraph 25 (d) of the report on the fourth series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to arrange with the Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions that, in the case of the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning the activities of the United Nations itself:

<sup>59</sup> E/4668/Add.1.

<sup>60</sup> See E/4716, paras. 50-59.

<sup>61</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/7608)*, paras. 73-80 (extract submitted to the Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/L.1268)).

<sup>62</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-first Session, Annexes*, agenda item 80, document A/6343, para. 67.

<sup>63</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Annexes*, agenda item 17, document E/4404.

<sup>64</sup> See E/4717 and Corr.1, paras. 25 and 26.

<sup>65</sup> E/4716.

(a) All reports concerning activities under the general responsibility of the Council, with the observations of the Secretary-General, be submitted to it without any delay, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination;

(b) Reports concerning the activities of any United Nations programmes (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Industrial Development Organization) be submitted similarly without any delay, and with executive comments, to the governing organs of the programmes concerned;

(c) The comments of the Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions be transmitted to the Council and the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, and to the governing organs of the United Nations programmes, in time for them to be taken into account before final consideration of the reports.

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**1458 (XLVII). Reports of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on co-ordination matters, of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, of the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, and of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,<sup>66</sup> of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the second part of its third session,<sup>67</sup> of the fourth series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,<sup>68</sup> and of the specialized agencies<sup>69</sup> and the International Atomic Energy Agency,<sup>70</sup>

<sup>66</sup> E/4668 and Add.1.

<sup>67</sup> E/4716.

<sup>68</sup> E/4717 and Corr.1.

<sup>69</sup> Twenty-third report of the International Labour Organisation to the United Nations "and *Activities of the ILO, 1968: Report of the Director-General (Part 2) to the International Labour Conference, fifty-third session, 1969* (Geneva, 1969), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4655 and Add.1); "Report of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-seventh session" (Rome, 1969), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/4689); "Report of UNESCO to the Economic and Social Council", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/4666 and Corr.1); International Civil Aviation Organization, *Annual Report of the Council to the Assembly for 1968* (Doc. 8792, A17-P/1, April 1969); and "Analytical summary of activities in 1968", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4656 and Add.1); World Health Organization, *The Work of WHO, 1968: Annual Report of the Director-General to the World Health Assembly and to the United Nations* (Geneva, 1969) (*Official Records of the World Health*

## I

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

2. *Takes note with appreciation* of the annual reports and summaries thereof of the specialized agencies, the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the thirty-fifth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

3. *Invites* the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, in its annual report to the Council, to continue to include reports on all problem areas of interagency co-ordination and also on all other questions that the Council would request it to consider;

## II

4. *Decides* to dispense with the circulation to its members of the full annual reports of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency on the understanding that copies would be available for reference purposes during the Council's sessions;

5. *Requests* the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to continue to submit analytical summaries of their reports and to ensure that these analytical summaries contain, in so far as possible, comparable information;

6. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, in consultation with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, to review the format of the analytical summaries in order to ensure that they provide the information required by the Council;

*Organization No. 172*); and "Analytical summary of the World Health Organization's activities in 1968", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4675 and Add.1-2); Universal Postal Union, *Report of the Work of the Union, 1968* (Berne, 1969); and "Analytical report on the work of the Universal Postal Union in 1968" (Berne, 1969), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4690 and Add.1); International Telecommunication Union, *Report to the Economic and Social Council on the activities of the International Telecommunication Union in 1968* (Geneva, 1969), and *Eighth report by the International Telecommunication Union on telecommunication and the peaceful uses of outer space* (Geneva, 1969), transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4691 and Add.1); World Meteorological Organization, *Annual Report of the World Meteorological Organization, 1968* (WMO-No. 241.RP.80); and "Analytical summary of the annual report of the World Meteorological Organization for 1968 to the forty-seventh session of the Economic and Social Council", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4658 and Add.1); Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, "Annual report of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, 1969", transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by a note of the Secretary-General (E/4657).

<sup>70</sup> International Atomic Energy Agency, "Annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the Economic and Social Council for 1968-1969"; and *Atomic Energy in the Developing Countries: the 1968-1969 Programme*, transmitted to the Economic and Social Council by notes of the Secretary-General (E/4650 and Add.1).

## III

*Recalling* its discussion at its forty-sixth session on the desirability of rationalizing requests for information from Member States in the field of human rights,

*Taking note* of the list of requests for information from Member States regarding the United Nations programme in the field of human rights prepared by the Secretariat and transmitted by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination,<sup>71</sup>

7. *Calls upon* the Commission on Human Rights to review, and in so far as possible to consolidate, the types of information being sought from Governments in the field of human rights, without in any way limiting the effective operation of the Commission;

## IV

*Having received* the report on the fourth series of Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination,

8. *Notes with satisfaction* that the Joint Meetings have once again proved their value in facilitating understanding and co-operation among those dealing with interagency issues at the intergovernmental and executive levels, respectively;

9. *Refers* to the United Nations organs concerned the comments of the Joint Meetings on the Second United Nations Development Decade;<sup>72</sup>

10. *Looks forward* to receiving at its resumed forty-seventh session the report of the resumed Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination which will be held in October 1969 to consider questions relating to the functioning of the intersecretariat machinery for co-ordination.

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### **1459 (XLVII). Development and co-ordination of the activities of the organizations within the United Nations system**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Drawing attention once again* to its special responsibility under Chapter IX of the Charter of the United Nations for co-ordinating the activities of the United Nations system in the economic, social and human rights fields,

*Recalling* its resolution 1367 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 and pointing out the need for further efforts to give effect to its provisions inasmuch as the urgency of the task of improving the co-ordination of United Nations activities in the social, economic and related fields, far from diminishing, has increased in view of the need to render the machinery of the organizations in the United Nations

<sup>71</sup> E/AC.51/L.38.

<sup>72</sup> See E/4717 and Corr.1, paras. 5-13.