

## 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.

*1637th plenary meeting,  
8 August 1969.*

### **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.

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,<sup>73</sup> 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,<sup>74</sup>

*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;

<sup>73</sup> E/4670 and Corr.1 and E/4716.

<sup>74</sup> 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,<sup>75</sup> 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.*

<sup>75</sup> 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 Refugees<sup>76</sup> 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,

<sup>76</sup> *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 report<sup>77</sup> 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

<sup>77</sup> E/4707 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2.