the right to appeal to a higher judicial authority or to petition for pardon or reprieve;

- "(b) To provide that no death sentence shall be carried out until the procedures of appeal and pardon have been terminated and in any case not until six months after the passing of the sentence in the court of first instance and, where necessary, to amend their laws accordingly;
- "(c) As from the day of adoption of this resolution, to notify the Secretary-General semi-annually of any death sentences subsequently passed and carried out in their countries and of the crimes for which these sentences have been imposed;
- "(d) To inform the Secretary-General, not later than 10 December 1968, of actions taken in accordance with subparagraphs (a) and (b) above.";

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- 1. Draws the renewed attention of Governments of Member States to paragraph 2—in particular sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (d)—of Economic and Social Council resolution 934 (XXXV) of 9 April 1963;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to ascertain from Governments of Member States their present attitude—with indication of the reasons therefor—to possible further restriction of the use of the death penalty or to its total abolition, and to invite those Governments to state whether they are contemplating such restriction or abolition and also to indicate whether changes in this respect have taken place since 1961;
- 3. Further requests the Secretary-General to submit a report on the matter to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-fourth session.

1244 (XLII). Measures for the speedy implementation of international instruments against racial discrimination

The Economic and Social Council,

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 1905 (XVIII) of 20 November 1963, 2017 (XX) of 1 November 1965 and 2142 (XXI) of 26 October 1966,

"Expressing its profound concern that many Governments continue to violate fundamental human rights and the principles of the Charter of the United Nations through policies of apartheid, segregation and other forms of racial discrimination,

"Concerned also that the principles of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination are being grossly violated in some parts of the world, particularly in the Republic of South Africa, in the rebellious colony of Southern Rhodesia and in the Territory of South West Africa under the direct responsibility of the United Nations and now illegally occupied by the Government of the Republic of South Africa,

"Noting that many States have not yet signed and ratified the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,

"1. Urges all eligible Governments which have not yet done so to sign, ratify and implement without delay the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, as well as the other conventions directed against discrimina-

tion in employment and occupation and against discrimination in education;

- "2. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission on Human Rights at its regular sessions the information submitted by Governments of Member States on measures taken for the speedy implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination:
- "3. Requests the Secretary-General, the specialized agencies and all organizations concerned to continue measures to propagate through their appropriate channels the principles and norms set forth in the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and in the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- "4. Requests the International Conference on Human Rights to consider the question of giving effect to the provisions of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and the question concerning the implementation of the conventions directed against discrimination in employment and occupation and against discrimination in education in so far as they relate to racial discrimination, especially in the Republic of South Africa, in the rebellious colony of Southern Rhodesia and in the Territory of South West Africa under the direct responsibility of the United Nations and now illegally occupied by the Government of the Republic of South Africa;
- "5. Recommends that the Commission on Human Rights continue to give consideration, as a matter of priority, to the measures for the speedy implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and that it report, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session;
- "6. Condemns the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia for their open and nefarious practices of racial discrimination and intolerance against the African and other non-white peoples in the Republic of South Africa, in the Territory of South West Africa under the direct responsibility of the United Nations and now illegally occupied by the Government of the Republic of South Africa and in the rebellious colony of Southern Rhodesia;
- "7. Calls upon the Government of the Republic of South Africa to desist from all such nefarious practices;
- "8. Decides to consider at its twenty-third session the question of the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination."

1479th plenary meeting, 6 June 1967.

1220 (XLII). Question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered resolution 4 (XXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights concerning the question

of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity,74

Expressing its regret that for lack of time it was not possible for the Commission to prepare a draft convention on the non-applicability of statutory limitation to war crimes and crimes against humanity,

Recalling its resolution 1158 (XLI) of 5 August 1966, in which it decided to submit a draft convention for adoption by the General Assembly at its twentysecond session,

- 1. Expresses the hope that the General Assembly will adopt at the earliest possible moment a convention on the non-applicability of statutory limitation to war crimes and crimes against humanity;
- 2. Transmits to the General Assembly the preliminary draft convention on the non-applicability of statutory limitation to war crimes and crimes against humanity prepared by the Secretary-General⁷⁵ and the

report of the Working Group established by the Commission on Human Rights,76 together with all the proposals shomitted to the Commission77 and the records of the discussions in the Commission on this item,78

- 3. Recommends that the General Assembly take the cocuments mentioned in paragraph 2 above into consideration in the preparation and adoption of a convention on the non-applicability of statutory limitation to war crimes and crimes against humanity;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to include in the provisional agenda of the twenty-second session of the General Assembly the question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity, as a separate item.

1478th plenary meeting, 6 June 1967.

⁷⁶ E/CN.4/L.943. ⁷⁷ E/CN.4/L.917, E/CN.4/L.946-948, E/CN.4/L957-959, E/ CN 4/L 962 and 963. ⁷⁸ E/CN.4/SR.919, E/CN.4/SR.921, E/CN.4/SR.931, E/CN.4/

SR.933-935.

OTHER QUESTIONS

1202 (XLII). Transport development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 935 (XXXV) of 9 April 1963 and 1082 A (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965,

Having considered the Secretary-General's report on transport development,⁷⁹

Bearing in mind the need of the developing countries to improve their transport system in order to promote their economic and social progress,

Recognizing the close relationship between international transport and the trade of developing countries,

Noting the increased assistance provided in recent years to developing countries in the transport field,

Conscious of the need for improved interagency coordination in the field of transport,

Taking note with appreciation of the progress made by the United Nations system of organizations in the field of transport and, in particular, in the field of shipping and ports by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and other United Nations

Bearing in mind the resolution of the Committee on Shipping of the Trade and Development Board which reaffirmed that the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development is competent to provide substantive support, in co-ordination, as appropriate, with other United Nations bodies, to technical assistance activities in maritime transport (including ports) and recommended that the Secretary-General of the United Nations be asked to consider ways of avoiding duplication of activities among the United Nations Secretariat units dealing with shipping and ports.80

- 1. Notes with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on transport development;
 - 2. Requests the Secretary-General to:

- (a) Consider ways of avoiding duplication of activities within the United Nations Secretariat units dealing with shipping and ports and report thereon to the Economic and Social Council not later than at its forty-fourth session;
- (b) Continue to study the application of the latest scientific and technological advances to the transport development of developing countries and report thereon to the Council at its forty-fourth session;
- (c) Examine, in consultation, as appropriate, with the specialized agencies concerned, the ways in which the activities of the United Nations system of organizations in the transport field can best be coordinated and improved and report thereon to the Council at its forty-fifth session through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination.

1469th plenary meeting, 26 May 1967.

1203 (XLII). Arrangements for the convening of an international conference to replace the Convention on Road Traffic and the Protocol on Road Signs and Signals, done at Geneva, 19 September 1949

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1129 (XLI) of 26 July 1966 concerning the arrangements for an international conference to replace the Convention on Road Traffic and the Protocol on Road Signs and Signals, done at Geneva, 19 September 1949,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General of 16 March 1967, as amended by his note of 3 April 1967.81

Decides that the time-table for the conference set out in resolution 1129 (XLI) should be amended:

(a) In paragraph 3 of that resolution, by deleting the words following "Vienna" and substituting therefor the words "from 30 September to 1 November 1968";

⁷⁴ Ibid., Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/4322 and Corr.1), para. 181. 75 E/CN.4/928.

⁷⁹ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second session, Annexes, agenda item 4, documents E/4304 and Add.1 and 2.

80 Ibid., document E/4304/Add.1, annex V, appendix.

⁸¹ Ibid., agenda item 28, document E/4308.