

instrument for the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid*:

3. *Requests* the General Assembly to consider this question as a matter of priority at its twenty-seventh session.

*1818th plenary meeting  
2 June 1972*

**1697 (LII). Further studies on racial discrimination**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the recommendation made to the Council by the Commission on Human Rights in para-

graph 1 of its resolution 2 (XXVIII) of 17 March 1972,<sup>66</sup>

*Requests* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to continue its studies on racial discrimination and, in particular, to update the study entitled *Racial Discrimination*,<sup>67</sup> as appropriate, with special emphasis on discrimination based on colour.

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<sup>66</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>67</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.71.XIV.2.

**Decisions**

**Continued international action to combat racism and racial discrimination**

**(Item 8 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided to inform the General Assembly of the action taken by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1 (XXVIII) of 15 March 1972<sup>68</sup> with a view to the early implementation of the request contained in section I of General Assembly resolution 2784 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971.

**Reports of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts submitted under the Commission on Human Rights resolutions 8 (XXVI) and 7 (XXVII) and continuation of studies of policies and practices of racial discrimination**

**(Item 8 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council endorsed the request of the Commission on Human

<sup>68</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113)*, chap. XIII.

Rights in operative paragraph 2 of its resolution 2 (XXVIII) of 17 March 1972 and decided to transmit to Member States, the Special Committee on *Apartheid* and the International Law Commission the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts concerning the question of *apartheid* from the point of view of international penal law,<sup>69</sup> submitted under resolution 8 (XXVI) of the Commission for their comments.

**Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights**

**(Item 8 (c))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided that, since the Government of Lesotho had agreed, the Council should, in conformity with its resolution 277 (X) of 17 February 1950 (para. 1 (c) (ii)), refer the allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in Lesotho to the Fact-Finding and Conciliation Commission on Freedom of Association of the International Labour Organisation.

<sup>69</sup> E/CN.4/1075 and Corr.1.

**QUESTIONS RELATING TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**1674 (LII). Terms of reference of the Committee on Science and Technology**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having examined* the draft resolutions contained in documents E/AC.6/L.452 and E/AC.6/L.453,

*Decides:*

(a) To defer further discussion of the above draft resolutions to its fifty-third session;

(b) To postpone the first session of the Council Committee on Science and Technology.

*1818th plenary meeting  
2 June 1972*

**1675 (LII). Question of United Nations sponsorship of the Protein Advisory Group**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Stressing again* the vital importance of the problem of protein malnutrition in developing countries,

*Taking note* of General Assembly resolution 2848 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the question of United Nations sponsorship of the Protein Advisory Group,<sup>70</sup>

1. *Recommends* that the United Nations, including the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, become sponsors of the Protein Advisory Group and requests the Secretary-General to make appropriate provision, as proposed by him in his report, for this purpose in the budget estimates for 1973;

2. *Invites* the United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization secretariats as well as other secretariats concerned to co-operate fully in furthering the activities of the Protein Advisory Group.

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2 June 1972*

<sup>70</sup> E/5115.