

priority, necessary action regarding appropriate institutional arrangements to deal with those aspects of the transfer of operative technology that fall within its jurisdiction;⁶¹

4. *Reiterates* that there is a need for the reinforcement and co-ordination of present and contemplated activities, including the establishment within the framework of the United Nations system of intergovernmental machinery in the field of the application of science and technology to development and taking into account the respective responsibilities of the General Assembly and the Council;

5. *Recognizes* that so far no consensus or majority opinion has emerged on how best to meet the need for such reinforcement and co-ordination or on the place and role of any intergovernmental machinery to be set up;

6. *Decides*, pending further clarification of the issues involved by the relevant bodies of the United Nations, to postpone till its fifty-first session its decision on this subject;

7. *Endorses* the view contained in the thirty-sixth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination that any institutional arrangements in the field of science and technology will be meaningful only if additional resources are made available for tackling major problem areas.⁶²

*1721st plenary meeting,
30 July 1970.*

⁶¹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/7616)*, part three, annex I, resolution 62 (IX).

⁶² See E/4840, para. 45.

1545 (XLIX). Science education

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1309 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 on science education,

Stressing the importance of science education in relation to development,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the second report on science education prepared by the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development;⁶³

2. *Expresses its disappointment* at the slow progress in the implementation of the recommendations in the first report on science education prepared by the Advisory Committee;⁶⁴

3. *Requests* the governing bodies of the organizations concerned, particularly the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to take the necessary steps for further implementation of these recommendations;

4. *Commends* the additional recommendations⁶⁵ contained in the Advisory Committee's second report on science education for consideration and suitable action by Governments and appropriate bodies and organizations, including in particular the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

*1721st plenary meeting,
30 July 1970.*

⁶³ E/4814 and Corr.1.

⁶⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fourth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 5, document E/4448, chap. II.

⁶⁵ See E/4814 and Corr.1, chap. III.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

1529 (XLIX). Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its ninth and tenth sessions.⁶⁶

*1714th plenary meeting,
22 July 1970.*

1530 (XLIX). The capacity of the United Nations development system

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the parts of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development

Programme on its ninth and tenth sessions concerning the capacity of the United Nations development system,⁶⁷

Noting that some questions remain to be settled within the framework of the examination of this subject,

1. *Endorses* the provisions drawn up by the Governing Council concerning the United Nations Development Programme;

2. *Recommends* the adoption by the General Assembly of the following draft resolution:

" The General Assembly,

" Having considered the parts of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its ninth and tenth sessions⁶⁷ and of the Economic and Social Council⁶⁸ concerning the capacity of the United Nations development system,

⁶⁷ *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 6 (E/4782)*, chap. VI and *Supplement No. 6A (E/4884/Rev.1)*, chap. V.

⁶⁸ See *Official Documents of the General Assembly, Twenty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/8003)*, chap. X, sect. A.

⁶⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/4782)* and *Supplement No. 6A (E/4884/Rev.1)*.