

(b) In paragraph 5, by substituting "six months" for "four months" in sub-paragraph (a) (i) and by substituting "three months" for "two months" in sub-paragraph (b).

*1469th plenary meeting,
26 May 1967.*

1213 (XLII). Land reform

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the 1966 World Land Reform Conference,⁸² organized by the United Nations and the Food and Agriculture Organization in association with the International Labour Organisation and held at Rome from 20 June to 2 July 1966,

Considering that land reform occupies a central position in the strategy of the economic and social development of developing countries,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the 1966 World Land Reform Conference, which the Secretary-General has submitted to it for its consideration;

2. *Recommends* this report to Governments as a useful reference document and endorses the resolution of the 1966 World Land Reform Conference contained in part two, section V, thereof;

3. *Approves* the work programme outlined in paragraph 24 of the note by the Secretary-General,⁸³

4. *Reaffirms* its resolution 1078 (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965, in which it recommended that Governments should take measures for rapid implementation of land reform in the interest of landless and small peasants and agricultural hired labourers so that the land would become, for the man who tilled it, the basis of his economic and social welfare;

5. *Recommends* to Governments the importance of supporting institutional measures in the fields of credit, marketing, rural extension, co-operatives and peasant organizations and other related measures necessary for the implementation of effective agrarian reform;

6. *Re-emphasizes* the need for Governments concerned to establish an economic and social infrastructure in the agricultural sector in conformity with the objectives of land reform;

7. *Urges* Member States to intensify the exchange of experts, personnel and trainees in the field of agrarian reform;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the specialized agencies concerned to hold seminars and regional study groups, in co-operation with the regional economic commissions, national agencies and other organizations, on various aspects of land reform having direct and immediate relevance to specific problems.

*1473rd plenary meeting,
1 June 1967.*

1212 (XLII). Action to be taken following the flooding of the river Euphrates

The Economic and Social Council,

Expressing its grave concern over the consequences of the disastrous floods which have occurred in the

Euphrates valley and have devastated large areas in Iraq and in the Syrian Arab Republic,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2034 (XX) of 7 December 1965 on assistance in cases of natural disaster,

1. *Conveys* its sympathy to the peoples and Governments of Iraq and Syria for the tragic loss of life and damage;

2. *Appeals* to Member States to provide such assistance as they may be in a position to make available to relieve the distress in the areas concerned;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the specialized agencies to give the utmost consideration to the needs of the people stricken by the disaster and to provide such assistance as may be within the limits of their possibilities.

*1471st plenary meeting,
29 May 1967.*

1219 (XLII). Non-governmental organizations: applications and reapplications for consultative status

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations,⁸⁴

1. *Decides* to defer for one year consideration of the request of the International Christian Union of Business Executives for category B consultative status;

2. *Decides* to defer for one year consideration of the request of the International Council for Building Research, Studies and Documentation for reclassification from category B to category A consultative status;

3. *Decides* to grant the request of the Soroptimist International Association for reclassification to category B consultative status;

4. *Decides* to grant the request for category B consultative status of the following organizations:

Inter-American Federation of Public Relations Associations;

International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions;

Mutual Assistance of the Latin American Government Oil Companies;

World Muslim Congress;

World Peace Through Law Centre;

5. *Decides* to place the following organizations on the Register of the Secretary-General:

International Confederation of Associations of Experts and Consultants;

International Police Association;

6. *Decides* to grant the reapplication of the Women's International Democratic Federation for category B consultative status;

7. *Decides* to grant the reapplication of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers for category B consultative status.

*1476th plenary meeting,
5 June 1967.*

⁸² E/4298 (to be issued as a United Nations publication).
⁸³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Annexes*, agenda item 8, document E/4310.

⁸⁴ *Ibid.*, agenda item 20, document E/4321.