

General, the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America, by the executive heads of the specialized agencies, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme and the Organization of American States, and by other international organizations, foundations and private individuals,

Considering that the Government of Peru is dedicated to the work of reconstructing and rehabilitating the affected area and that, among other measures, it is drawing up special medium-term and long-term technical assistance programmes as part of the over-all plan, with the participation of the United Nations Development Programme,

Considering also resolution 297 (AC.63) adopted unanimously by the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America at its sixth extraordinary session,¹⁰⁰

1. *Expresses* to the people and the Government of Peru its deep sympathy on the loss of life and devastation caused by the recent disaster;

2. *Urges* Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency to continue their co-operation for the purpose of relief and for the purpose of reconstruction and economic rehabilitation in the stricken region;

3. *Thanks* the Secretary-General for the rapid action he has taken in this emergency and requests him to continue his active co-operation with the Government of Peru and to promote, with its agreement, concerted international action to mobilize the necessary technical and financial resources to carry out reconstruction plans;

4. *Invites* the international credit institutions to give urgent and sympathetic consideration to emergency measures in connexion with the request by Peru for loans and credits for the task of reconstruction, of the greatest possible magnitude and on the most favourable terms;

5. *Further invites* international credit and development agencies and institutions to accelerate, taking into account the magnitude and the requirements of the rehabilitation work, the granting of such loans and credits requested by Peru prior to the natural disaster that are still under consideration;

6. *Invites* the countries that are creditors of Peru to take into account the grave emergency which it has suffered and the demands created by rehabilitation, in relation to restructuring its external debt;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ask the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, the specialized agencies, more especially the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund, and also the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the World Food

Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to devote the largest possible volume of resources, within their respective programmes, to meeting assistance requests from the Government of Peru relating to reconstruction work contemplated in its initial emergency programme;

8. *Expresses its gratitude* for the emergency measures taken on this occasion by the United Nations Development Programme authorities and the specialized agencies;

9. *Conveys its desire* to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme that the Governing Council decide favourably on requests for assistance within its competence to be submitted by Peru in connexion with the special medium-term and long-term programme of rehabilitation;

10. *Recommends* to Governments participating in the United Nations Development Programme that, taking into account the special needs of Peru, as well as other exceptional needs and the normal requirements of the Programme, they should make additional contributions in so far as existing resources are not sufficient to meet those needs;

11. *Requests* the Governments of States members of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association to ask their directors in the Bank and the Association to give particular attention to Peru's need for funds to finance its programmes of rehabilitation and reconstruction and to study the possibility of special machinery which would permit the total financing of projects relating to those programmes;

12. *Invites* the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to give special attention to the serious situation in Peru and Peru's need for resources, bearing in mind the principle underlying the Bank's policy, namely, that problems of reconstruction are inseparable from problems of economic development, and the need for participation by the International Finance Corporation and the International Development Association, within their respective fields of competence.

*1703rd plenary meeting,
10 July 1970.*

1519 (XLIX). Measures to be taken for famine relief in the Yemen Arab Republic

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that persistent drought conditions have resulted in widespread famine in the lowlands of the Tihama and in the northern part of the Yemen Arab Republic,

Bearing in mind that the food supplies contributed by individual countries, charity organizations and agencies of the United Nations have not been sufficient to meet the emergency,

Considering that the severe shortage of food supplies has been aggravated by lack of drinking water,

¹⁰⁰ See E/4883, para. 83.

Taking note of the fact that the resources of the Government of the Yemen Arab Republic as augmented by food and financial aid from abroad are still insufficient,

Considering that famine conditions may lead to the spread of epidemics,

1. *Urges* the Governments of Member States and non-governmental organizations to render every assistance possible to the people of the Yemen Arab Republic to relieve them from the present famine situation;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give particular attention to the urgent needs of the Yemen Arab Republic and, in view of the serious famine situation facing the people of the Yemen Arab Republic, to facilitate accelerated action by the specialized agencies, especially the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Health Organization, and also by the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme, in rendering assistance to the people of the Yemen Arab Republic.

*1708th plenary meeting,
15 July 1970.*

1528 (XLIX). Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its session held in New York in April-May 1970,¹⁰¹

Recognizing the important role that the Fund is in a position to play in helping to achieve the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade, particularly through assisting Governments in their national policies for involving children and youth in the development process and for ensuring that their needs are met in an integrated manner including the provision of augmented material support,

Welcoming the support in the Executive Board for the proposal to seek to reach an annual income of \$100 million by 1975, which would enable the Fund substantially to increase its assistance to children and adolescents and thus contribute materially more to the realization of the objectives of the Second Development Decade,

Noting with approval the intention of the Fund, in keeping with its "country approach", which has been several times commended by the Council, to co-operate in the proposed "country programming" of all inputs of the United Nations system, while Fund projects would continue to be approved by its Executive Board,

Noting the prompt and considerable assistance being provided to meet the urgent needs of mothers and children in emergency situations and the Fund's close co-operation in this field, as well as in all its other activities, with other members of the United Nations system, Governments and non-governmental organizations,

¹⁰¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-ninth session, Supplement No. 8 (E/4854).*

Welcoming also the steadily increasing emphasis which the Fund is placing on the training of individuals in the developing countries within their own country or region,

1. *Endorses* the policies of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. *Requests* the Fund to strengthen its programme aimed at providing aid for countries in the protection of the members of the younger generation and in their preparation for future responsibilities;

3. *Appeals* to the Governments of Member States and other donors to make every effort to increase their contributions to the Fund in its endeavours to achieve the financial support required to meet more effectively the growing needs of children and adolescents during the Second United Nations Development Decade.

*1711th plenary meeting,
20 July 1970.*

1531 (XLIX). Report of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the sixth extraordinary session of the Committee of the Whole of the Economic Commission for Latin America,¹⁰²

*1716th plenary meeting,
23 July 1970.*

1532 (XLIX). United Nations action against drug abuse

The Economic and Social Council,

Deeply concerned by the epidemic spread of drug addiction in developed and developing countries which continues unabated, as noted at its forty-eighth session,¹⁰³

Recognizing that this problem includes the abuse of traditional narcotic drugs as well as psychotropic substances,

Convinced that prompt and decisive action by the United Nations family is imperative if this ominous situation is to be brought under control,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2434 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968, by which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the International Narcotics Control Board and in consultation with interested Governments, to develop plans for putting an end to the illegal or uncontrolled production of narcotic raw materials and to submit those plans, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session,

¹⁰² E/4883 and Add.1.

¹⁰³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, 1657th to 1660th meetings.*