

1. *Considers it appropriate* to regard comprehensive and unified national planning as a means of achieving balanced social and economic development;

2. *Believes* that a practical application of a comprehensive and unified approach to development planning may call for social and economic structural changes;

3. *Recognizes* that a strengthening of the public sector could be vital for comprehensive and unified national planning;

4. *Recommends* that Governments should:

(a) Closely tie up planning with national goals;

(b) Pursue a policy which would be directed at establishing social equality and justice and at improving standards of living for the bulk of the population;

(c) Encourage wider participation and co-operation in the development process—in setting the goals, implementing the plans and enjoying the benefits of development;

(d) Implement the goals, targets and policy measures of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, taking into account the recommendations of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development;

(e) Examine their development strategies, national plans and structures from the point of view of their conformity with the requirements of a unified approach and the principles of social development and peace in the world;

(f) Co-operate with each other in order to achieve the above ends;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue studies of the question of a unified approach to development analysis and planning, taking into account the International Development Strategy and the need for its implementation, which is a prerequisite for achieving the full integration of economic and social components of the development of each country, particularly of the developing countries;

(b) To take into account, in the completion of the final report, the views expressed by the members of the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-third session<sup>21</sup> and, while ensuring that the cross-sectoral integration and regionalization of planning are further studied, to see to it that the report is prepared in such a way as to be of the greatest possible practical use to planners, decision makers and administrators;

(c) To submit the results of this study, together with suitable recommendations, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-sixth session and to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fourth session;

(d) To ensure that the Committee for Development Planning and the Committee on Review and Appraisal are kept informed of any ongoing work, including the results of any studies on a unified approach to development analysis and planning;

(e) To include the question of a unified approach to development analysis and planning as a separate item in the agenda of the twenty-ninth session of the General Assembly.

*1855th plenary meeting  
16 May 1973*

<sup>21</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5252)*, chap. III.

## **1748 (LIV). Review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 2681 (XXV) of 11 December 1970 and 2771 (XXVI) of 22 November 1971 and Council resolutions 1581 (L) of 21 May 1971 and 1666 (LII) of 1 June 1972,

1. *Notes* that, owing to the lack of appropriate documentation, the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-third session was handicapped in fulfilling the task assigned to it with regard to the review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, contained in General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970;

2. *Requests* the Secretariat to prepare appropriate and specific documentation and to submit it to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fourth session, for the purpose of assessing the realization of social development objectives both in the developed and the developing countries;

3. *Invites* the specialized agencies concerned, the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut to co-operate with the Secretary-General in the preparation of the relevant data;

4. *Invites* the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development to undertake, as a matter of priority, further studies on the establishment of social standards and indicators for the purpose of appraising social progress and development in the context of the International Development Strategy and to submit the results of these studies, through the Secretary-General, to the Commission for Social Development in time for its twenty-fourth session.

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## **1749 (LIV). Migrant workers**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-third session,<sup>22</sup>

*Noting with satisfaction* that the Conference of European Ministers Responsible for Social Welfare, held at The Hague from 22 to 26 August 1972, was able to give due and positive consideration to the situation of migrant workers,<sup>23</sup> mentioned also in the course of the United Nations Interregional Seminar on Industrial Social Welfare, held at Moscow from 16 October to 5 November 1971,<sup>24</sup>

*Aware* that labour migration all over the world has acquired a magnitude that urgently calls for specific examination and action by the United Nations, especially since migration has become an important factor influencing the general social and economic situation and relations among countries,

*Noting* that migratory movements result, on the whole, from the existing differences in levels of development and the unsatisfactory progress of national

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/5252).

<sup>23</sup> See E/CN.5/479.

<sup>24</sup> See E/CN.5/484.