

particular those relating to the eradication of mass poverty and unemployment;

5. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the initiative of the International Labour Organisation in launching the World Employment Programme in pursuance of the objectives of its Employment Policy Convention and Recommendation, 1964 (No. 122) and welcomes the financial support given to this Programme by the United Nations Development Programme and by other international and national financing institutions and Governments, and the participation in the World Employment Programme of the United Nations, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Monetary Fund and the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade;

6. *Recommends* that the developing countries, in accordance with their national plans and priorities, further intensify their efforts to implement the employment and income distribution objectives in their development planning and policies and to that effect take appropriate action on such matters as agrarian reform, land improvement, public construction works, the choice of techniques, including appropriate industrial technology, population policies, education and training policies, rural and integrated rural-urban development and the mobilization of internal resources, as indicated for the most part in the special report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination mentioned in paragraph 1 above;

7. *Recommends* that the developed countries further intensify their efforts for the implementation of the International Development Strategy, as adopted, in areas such as those of trade, aid and the transfer of technology, as a way to contribute to the solution of the problem of mass poverty and unemployment in developing countries, having regard to the effects that the implementation of the Strategy can have *inter alia* on the expansion of the resources available for the solution of that problem;

8. *Urges* the International Labour Organisation to continue its work in the field of employment planning and promotion, pursuing its catalytic action as far as the entire United Nations system is concerned, and urges other specialized agencies and organs to continue their co-operation in the World Employment Programme and to give close attention in their short-term and medium-term plans to the promotion of concerted and meaningful action-oriented programmes and projects with respect to employment policy, along the lines indicated in the special report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination;

9. *Further urges* the United Nations Development Programme and international and national governmental financing institutions to give close consideration to the

special report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and to take it into account in their preinvestment and investment activities;

10. *Decides* to keep this question of mass poverty and unemployment under scrutiny within the framework of the review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy during the Second United Nations Development Decade.

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9 August 1973*

1809 (LV). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Europe

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Economic Commission for Europe for the period 28 April 1972 to 18 May 1973,¹¹ of the views expressed during the discussion in the Commission,¹² and of the resolutions and other decisions adopted during the twenty-eighth session of the Commission, contained in part III of that report;

2. *Endorses* the programme of work and priorities contained in parts V and VI of the report.

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9 August 1973*

1810 (LV). Membership of Canada in the Economic Commission for Europe

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that Canada has participated actively in the work of the Economic Commission for Europe under paragraph 11 of the Commission's terms of reference, and that it now wishes to be able to make a more positive contribution to activities of the Commission by accepting the responsibilities inherent in full membership,

Decides to change paragraph 7 of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Europe by adding Canada to the list of members of the Commission.

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9 August 1973*

1811 (LV). Inclusion of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands within the geographical scope of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and admission of the Territory to the Commission as an associate member

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the recommendation of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East with regard to

¹¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 10 (E/5276).

¹² *Ibid.*, part II.

the request of the Government of the United States of America for the inclusion of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands within the geographical scope of the Commission and the admission of the Territory to the Commission as an associate member,¹³

1. *Approves* the recommendation of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East that the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands be included in the geographical scope of the Commission and admitted to the Commission as an associate member;

2. *Decides* to amend paragraphs 2 and 4 of the terms of reference of the Commission accordingly.

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9 August 1973*

1812 (LV). Inclusion of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands within the geographical scope of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and admission of the Islands to the Commission as an associate member

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the recommendation of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East with regard to the request of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the inclusion of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands within the geographical scope of the Commission and the admission of the Islands to the Commission as an associate member,¹⁴

1. *Approves* the recommendation of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East that the Gilbert and Ellice Islands be included in the geographical scope of the Commission and admitted to the Commission as an associate member;

2. *Decides* to amend paragraphs 2 and 4 of the terms of reference of the Commission accordingly.

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9 August 1973*

1813 (LV). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East for the period 28 March 1972 to 23 April 1973¹⁵ and of the recommendations and resolutions contained in parts II and III of that report,

Endorses the programme of work and priorities contained in part V of that report.

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9 August 1973*

¹³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/5277), paras. 231 and 232.*

¹⁴ *Ibid.*

¹⁵ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/5277).*

1814 (LV). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Latin America

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Economic Commission for Latin America covering the period 1 May 1972 to 30 March 1973¹⁶ and of the resolutions and recommendations contained in parts II and III of that report;

2. *Endorses* the programme of work and priorities contained in volume II of the report.

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9 August 1973*

1815 (LV). Annual report of the Economic Commission for Africa

The Economic and Social Council

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Economic Commission for Africa for the period 14 February 1972 to 23 February 1973¹⁷ and of the recommendations and resolutions contained in parts II and III of that report;

2. *Endorses* the programme of work and priorities 1974 to 1976, with projections to 1979, contained in part V of the report;

3. *Takes further note* of the first biennial report on the review and appraisal of progress in implementing the goals and objectives of the second United Nations Development Decade.¹⁸

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9 August 1973*

1816 (LV). Annual report of the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut covering the period from 15 April 1972 to 14 April 1973.¹⁹

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1817 (LV). Role of the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office in Beirut in the review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade

The Economic and Social Council

Having considered the annual reports of the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 8, vols. I and II (E/5275 and Corr.1 and E/5275/Add.1).

¹⁷ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5253 and Add.1 and 2).*

¹⁸ E/CN.14/595/Summary.

¹⁹ E/5366 and Corr.1.