

**1617 (LI). United Nations Development Programme:
projects in the field of industrial development**

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that industrial development constitutes one of the basic features of an integrated and comprehensive development to which all countries are entitled for the achievement of economic independence and well-being,

Considering further that the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the United Nations Development Programme have an essential role to play in assisting developing countries, in all stages of development, to acquire the necessary industrial technical capabilities as defined by their own development plans,

Taking into account the need to impart more dynamism and speed to the processing of requests for assistance in the field of industrial development,

1. *Requests* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to instruct the Administrator of the Programme:

(a) To give, in accordance with the priorities assigned by the developing countries, special attention to requests submitted by them, and in particular to those of the least developed among them, in the field of industrial development, including requests for industrial technological development and industrial pilot projects;

(b) To present to the Governing Council at its summer session each year a comprehensive progress report on the preparation, approval and implementation of projects in the field of industrial development;

2. *Further requests* the Governing Council to give during its summer session each year due consideration to the report referred to above.

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1618 (LI). United Nations Volunteers programme

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling with appreciation the initiative taken by the Government of Iran for the creation of an international corps of volunteers,

Further recalling General Assembly resolution 2659 (XXV) of 7 December 1970, which established the United Nations Volunteers programme,

Noting the report of the Secretary-General,⁷⁵

Welcoming the appointment of the Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers,

Regretting that so far no substantial contributions to the Special Fund for United Nations Volunteers, established under operative paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 2659 (XXV), have been received,

⁷⁵ E/5028.

1. *Commends* the efforts of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers in initiating the programme;

2. *Requests* all the specialized agencies and volunteer organizations concerned to co-ordinate all volunteer activities within the United Nations assisted projects with the Co-ordinator of the United Nations Volunteers;

3. *Urges* Governments, international organizations and voluntary agencies, especially those who are in a position to do so, to contribute to the Special Fund for United Nations Volunteers, in order to meet the external costs of Volunteers from developing countries and to make the programme truly universal in scope.

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**1619 (LI). 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 at Geneva in April 1971,⁷⁶

Recognizing the important role that the Fund is playing, in co-operation with the relevant technical and other agencies of the United Nations system, in helping developing countries to initiate and carry on programmes for the benefit of their children and adolescents,

Welcoming the Fund's current and prospective contribution to the furtherance of the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade, and the confirmation by the Executive Board of the Fund, in keeping with its established "country approach", that it will co-operate fully in the system of country programming under the leadership of the United Nations Development Programme,⁷⁷

Commending the prompt and considerable assistance being provided to meet the urgent needs of mothers, children and adolescents in emergency situations in many parts of the world, and the close co-operation in this work between the Fund, other members of the United Nations system, Governments and non-governmental organizations.

Welcoming also the increasing emphasis which the Fund is placing on the training within the developing countries of nationals for service in programmes benefiting children and the improvements proposed for such training as the result of joint studies with the World Health Organization and other organizations,

1. *Endorses* the policies of the United Nations Children's Fund and commends its work as an important element in furthering economic and social development,

⁷⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-first Session, Supplement No. 8 (E/5035).*

⁷⁷ *Ibid.*, paras. 32-35.