

to convene the Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas at Mexico City for two weeks during the first half of 1979, including the sending of invitations to the Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies and to the specialized agencies concerned and other interested international organizations;

2. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, as appropriate, to take practical measures to implement the recommendations of the First United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, taking fully into account the views on the recommendations expressed at the sixty-second session of the Economic and Social Council, and to submit a progress report on the measures taken in this respect to the Council at its sixty-fourth session.

2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977

2049 (LXII). Convening of the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Far East,¹⁶ which was held at Bangkok from 17 to 28 January 1977,

Expressing its appreciation for the valuable contribution made by the Conference in furthering cartographic work in the countries of the region for their economic and social development programmes,

Noting the recommendation that a ninth conference should be convened in February 1980,

Noting also with appreciation that the Government of New Zealand has offered to act as host to the Conference during February 1980 and to extend its full co-operation in this regard,

Recalling its resolution 1895 (LVII) of 1 August 1974 concerning the new name of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

1. *Approves* the recommendation of the Eighth Conference that future regional conferences in surveying and mapping for this region should be named United Nations Regional Cartographic Conferences for Asia and the Pacific;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976, to convene the Ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific in New Zealand in February 1980, including the sending of invitations to the Governments of States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies and to the specialized agencies concerned and other interested international organizations;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, as appropriate, to take practical measures:

(a) To implement the recommendations of the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Far East, including those on cadastral surveying and mapping, thematic mapping, hydrographic surveying and nautical charting, remote

sensing from satellites and aircraft, and training and education in the various cartography disciplines;

(b) To convene, in accordance with the recommendation of the Conference, a meeting of the Group of Experts on Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Charting to be held at United Nations Headquarters not later than March 1978.

2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977

2056 (LXII). Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council

Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Reaffirming its resolve to achieve the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid,*

"Recalling that in its resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and in the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination annexed thereto it called for a continuing effort by all peoples, Governments and institutions to eradicate racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid,*

"Noting that, despite the support given to the Programme for the Decade by the international community, intolerable conditions continue to prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination and the inhuman and odious application of *apartheid* and racial discrimination,

"Reiterating its conviction that a serious threat is posed to international peace and security by the continued defiance by the racist régimes in South Africa and Southern Rhodesia of the resolutions of the General Assembly and of various organs and bodies of the United Nations relating to the policies of *apartheid,* racial discrimination and the illegal occupation of Namibia,

"1. Reaffirms its resolution 31/77 of 13 December 1976 regarding the implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and draws the attention of Member States, international organizations, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to the need to respect and implement the provisions of that resolution:

"2. Condemns once again the policies of *apartheid,* racism and racial discrimination which prevail in southern Africa and elsewhere, including the denial of the right to self-determination and the inhuman and odious application of *apartheid* and racial discrimination;

"3. Renews its strong support for oppressed peoples struggling to liberate themselves from racism, racial discrimination, *apartheid,* colonialism and alien domination;

"4. Appeals to all States to continue to cooperate with the Secretary-General by submitting their reports, when due, in compliance with the

¹⁶ E/5918.

provisions of paragraph 18 (e) of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

"5. *Calls once again upon* all Governments which have not yet done so to take legislative, administrative or other measures in respect of their nationals and the bodies corporate under their jurisdiction that own and operate enterprises in southern Africa, in order to put an end to such enterprises;

"6. *Urges* United Nations organs, specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to strengthen and enlarge the scope of their activities in support of the objectives of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, in particular by:

"(a) Intensifying their educational and informational campaigns;

"(b) Increasing their material and moral support to the national liberation movements and the victims of racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid*;

"(c) Offering all assistance to and co-operating with the Secretary-General to ensure the success of the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

"7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to do his utmost to give the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination the fullest publicity, having regard to the need to focus international attention on the struggle against racism, racial discrimination and *apartheid*;

"8. *Renews* its call for adequate resources to be made available to the Secretary-General to enable him to undertake the activities entrusted to him under paragraph 18 (g) of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

"9. *Appeals* once again to Governments and private organizations to make voluntary contributions in support of the activities envisaged in the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

"10. *Decides* to consider at its thirty-third session, as a matter of high priority, an item entitled 'Implementation of the Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination'."

2058th plenary meeting
12 May 1977

2057 (LXII). World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and its own resolution 1990 (LX) of 11 May 1976,

Recalling also its decision 206 (ORG-77) of 14 January 1977 and its resolution 2046 (S-III) of 23 February 1977,

Having considered the report of its Preparatory Subcommittee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,¹⁷

1. *Approves* the draft provisional agenda and the draft provisional rules of procedure¹⁸ for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to appoint, at the earliest possible time, after consultation with regional groups, a Secretary-General of the Conference and further requests that such an appointment be made at the level of Assistant Secretary-General, in order to ensure the appropriate capacity for co-ordination and interaction with Member States and within the United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations;

3. *Recommends* to the General Assembly that invitations to participate in the Conference be extended to:

(a) All States;

(b) The United Nations Council for Namibia in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/149 of 20 December 1976;

4. *Recommends* to the General Assembly that the following be invited to participate as observers:

(a) Representatives of national liberation movements recognized in its region by the Organization of African Unity, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 3280 (XXIX) of 10 December 1974;

(b) Representatives of organizations that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the sessions and the work of all international conferences convened under its auspices in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 31/152 of 20 December 1976;

(c) The specialized agencies concerned as well as interested organs and bodies of the United Nations;

(d) Interested intergovernmental organizations;

(e) The Special Committee against *Apartheid*;

(f) The Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples;

(g) The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;

(h) The Commission on Human Rights;

(i) Other interested committees of the United Nations;

(j) Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council on the basis of a recommendation to be made by the Council to the General Assembly;

5. *Recommends* to the General Assembly to include Arabic as a language of the Conference;

6. *Decides* that the documentation for the Conference shall include pre-session and in-session documents as indicated in the annex to the present resolution;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations to take appropriate steps for the timely preparation of all the necessary documentation and to make the same available at least six weeks before the commencement of the Conference;

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, annexes I and II.

¹⁷ E/5922.