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Adopted by the Council at its 2039th meeting on 11 January 1977

- 1. Election of the Bureau.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
- 3. Basic programme of work of the Council for 1977.
- 4. Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second special session.
- 5. Report on the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination.
- 6. Rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council.
- 7. Elections to subsidiary bodies of the Council and confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions.
- 8. Provisional agenda for the sixty-second session.

AGENDA OF THE THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

Adopted by the Council at its 2045th meeting on 23 February 1977

- 1. Adoption of the agenda.
- 2. Election of a Vice-President of the Council.
- 3. World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination:
 - (a) Membership of the Preparatory Sub-Committee for the Conference;
 - (b) Venue of the Conference.

AGENDA OF THE SIXTY-SECOND SESSION

Adopted by the Council at its 2046th meeting on 12 April 1977

- 1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
- 2. Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia.
- 3. Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.
- 4. Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system.
- 5. Regional cartographic conferences.
- 6. Agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.
- 7. Transport questions.
- 8. Population questions.
- 9. Statistical questions.
- 10. Social development questions.
- 11. Activities for the advancement of women; United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace.
- 12. Human rights questions.
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- 15. Elections.
- 16. Consideration of the provisional agenda for the sixty-third session.

DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL DURING ITS ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION FOR 1977

DECISIONS

204 (ORG-77). Basic programme of work of the Council for 1977

1. At its 2044th plenary meeting, on 14 January 1977, the Council, having examined the draft basic programme of work for 1977 submitted by the Secretariat, approved the following basic programme of work for 1977:

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ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE SIXTY-SECOND SESSION

- 1. Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia
- 2. Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Dis-
- Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system
- 4. Regional cartographic conferences
- 5. Agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development
- 6. Transport questions
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- 8. Statistical questions
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- Activities for the advancement of women; United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace
- 11. Human rights questions
- 12. Narcotic drugs
- 13. Non-governmental organizations.

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- 2. Regional co-operation and development
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- 5. Assistance to Zambia
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 - ¹ E/5900.
 - ² See also decision 242 (LXII) below.
 - 3 Item to be considered at the resumed sixty-third session.

- 12. Assessment of the progress made in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV), 3202 (S-VI), 3281 (XXIX) and 3362 (S-VII), entitled respectively "International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade", "Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order", "Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States" and "Development and international economic co-operation"
- 13. International co-operation on the environment
- 14. Industrial development co-operation
- 15. Science and technology
- 16. United Nations Special Fund
- 17. Natural resources
- 18. Transnational corporations
- 19. Food problems
- 20. International co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system
- 21. Technical co-operation among developing countries
- 22. Policy review of operational activities for development
- 23. Work programme and budget for 1978-1979
- 24. Marine questions
- 25. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations
- Assistance in cases of natural disaster and other disaster situations
- 27. Consideration of the economic and social situation in the Sudano-Sahelian region stricken by drought and measures to be taken for the benefit of that region
- 28. Agreement between the United Nations and the World Tourism Organization
- 29. Calendar of conferences.
- 2. The Council, subject to any further arrangements which might be agreed upon for the organization of its sessions, also decided:
- (a) At its sixty-second session, to consider agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 in plenary meetings; items 6, 7 and 8 in the Economic Committee; and items 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 in the Social Committee;
- (b) At its sixty-third session, to consider agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in plenary meetings; item 11 in an ad hoc sessional committee, which would meet from 7 to 12 July 1977; items 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 in the Economic Committee; and items 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 in the Policy and Programme Co-ordination Committee;
- (c) That the general debate at the sixty-third session would also focus on item 12;

- (d) That, before the opening of each regular session in 1977, the Bureau of the Council should suggest whether substantive consideration of certain reports submitted to the Council could be dispensed with.
- 3. The Council decided to request the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to prepare a brief report on the activities of the United Nations system on consumer protection for consideration at the sixty-third session under agenda item 1.
- 4. The Council, in pursuance of the resolutions adopted by the General Assembly at its thirty-first session indicated below, decided to take the following action:
- (a) To refer to the Committee for Development Planning at its thirteenth session resolutions 31/17, 31/42, 31/187 and 31/188 on assistance to Cape Verde, the Comoros, Sao Tome and Principe and Angola, respectively, and resolution 31/182 on preparations for a new international development strategy;
- (b) To refer to the Committee for Review and Appraisal at its fourth session resolution 31/178 on assessment of the progress made in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV), 3202 (S-VI), 3281 (XXIX) and 3362 (S-VII), entitled respectively "International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade", "Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order", "Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States" and "Development and international economic co-operation";
- (c) To refer to the Committee on Science and Technology for Development and the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development resolution 31/184 on the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development;
- (d) To refer to the regional commissions resolutions 31/116 on institutional arrangements for international co-operation in the field of human settlements, 31/109 on Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, and 31/38 on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress;
- (e) To refer to the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-third session resolutions 31/138 on elimination of all forms of intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief, 31/127 on measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers, 31/85 on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in relation to detention and imprisonment, 31/33 on adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to colonial and racist régimes in southern Africa, 31/128 on human rights and scientific and technological developments and 31/124 on protection of human rights in Chile;
- (f) To refer resolution 31/80 on the status of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid to the Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-third session on the understanding that, in accordance with article IX, paragraph 3, of the Convention, the group that he appoints may meet for a period of not more than five days either before the opening or after the closing of that session of the Commission;

- (g) To refer to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fifth session resolutions 31/132 on channels of communication with youth and youth organizations, 31/38 on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress, and 31/129 on policies and programmes relating to youth;
- (h) To refer to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its seventeenth session resolution 31/93 on the medium-term plan, drawing its particular attention to paragraphs 3, 10, 11 and 12 thereof;
- (i) To draw to the attention of its functional commissions and standing committees that deal with sectoral matters paragraphs 5, 6 and 9 of resolution 31/93 on the medium-term plan.
- 5. The Council decided that, in line with its decision 161 (LXI) of 3 August 1976, the report of the Secretary-General called for in Council resolution 1620 (LI) of 27 July 1971 on the feasibility of establishing a United Nations export development fund should be submitted to the Trade and Development Board.

205 (ORG-77). Arrangements for meetings of the Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies

- 1. At its 2044th plenary meeting, on 14 January 1977, the Council, recalling its resolution 2006 (LX) of 13 May 1976, decided to extend until 15 February 1977 the time-limit by which States members of the Council would notify the Secretary-General of their intention to become members of the Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies for negotiating an agreement between the United Nations and the International Fund for Agricultural Development.
- 2. The Council further decided that the Committee would meet and would conduct the necessary negotiations with the International Fund for Agricultural Development during the Council's sixty-second session, using the meeting services provided for that session. The Chairman of the Committee would be Mr. Rafael Rivas (Colombia), Vice-President of the Council.

206 (ORG-77). Preparatory Sub-Committee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

At its 2044th plenary meeting, on 14 January 1977, the Council, recalling its resolution 1990 (LX) of 11 May 1976, decided: (a) to enlarge the membership of the Committee acting as the Preparatory Sub-Committee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination from 16 to 23 members; (b) to authorize the President of the Council to appoint the members of the Committee in accordance with resolution 1990 (LX) and on the basis of the following geographical distribution:

Six from African States;

Four from Asian States;

Four from Latin American States;

Four from socialist States of Eastern Europe;

Five from Western European and other States;

and (c) to authorize the Sub-Committee to hold its first session at Headquarters. The Council urged that arrangements be made by the Secretariat and the Committee on Conferences for the Sub-Committee to meet from 14 to 25 March 1977.

207 (ORG-77). Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second special ses-

At its 2041st plenary meeting, on 13 January 1977, the Council, having considered chapter I of the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second special session: (a) approved the recommendations made by the Committee in paragraph 1, subparagraphs (a) to (c), and subparagraph (d) as orally revised at that meeting; and (b) took note of the decisions of the Committee contained in paragraph 1, subparagraphs (c) (i) to (iv), and in paragraph 2, subparagraphs (a) to (c), taking fully into account the comments made thereon.

208 (ORG-77). Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination

Pursuant to its decision 199 (LXI) of 15 November 1976, the Council at its 2040th plenary meeting, on 12 January 1977, considered the report of the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (CPC) and the Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (ACC) on the Joint Meetings of CPC and ACC5 and, having taken fully into account the comments made on the report, took note of the conclusions contained therein.

209 (ORG-77). Rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council

At its 2041st plenary meeting, on 13 January 1977, the Council decided to review the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council at the sixty-second session in the context of the item of the agenda entitled "Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system" and to set 15 March 1977 as the deadline for the submission of corrections or formal amendments to the draft revised rules of procedure of the functional commissions,6 without prejudice to the right of delegations to make further proposals during the discussion of the question.

210 (ORG-77). Review of the methods in use for the confirmation of representatives on functional commissions

At its 2042nd plenary meeting, on 13 January 1977, the Council requested the Secretariat to undertake a review of the methods in use for the confir-

mation of representatives on functional commissions and to report to the Council at its sixty-second session under the item of the agenda entitled "Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system".

211 (ORG-77). Changes in the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1977

At its 2044th plenary meeting, on 14 January 1977, the Council decided to approve the following changes in the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1977:7

- (a) The Committee on Natural Resources (fifth session) would meet away from Headquarters in view of the fact that the General Assembly, in its resolution 31/63, had approved the convening of the sixth session of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea at Headquarters. The Committee could meet at Geneva from 9 to 20 May8 or elsewhere on dates to be determined should the Council accept an offer by a Member State to act as host to the Committee;
- (b) The Intergovernmental Working Group on a Code of Conduct for Transnational Corporations (second session) would meet at Headquarters from 18 to 22 April 1977, it being understood that the administrative and financial implications of the change would be submitted to the Committee on Conferences and to the Council at its sixty-second session.

212 (ORG-77). Election of members of subsidiary and related bodies of the Council and confirmation of representatives on functional commissions

ELECTIONS

1. At its 2042nd plenary meeting, on 13 January 1977, the Council held elections to fill vacancies in the following standing committees:

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Council elected the Philippines to fill a vacant seat allocated to Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980.

The Council decided to postpone until the sixtysecond session the election of:

- (a) Two members from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980; and
- One member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1978.

COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Council elected Sweden to fill the seat vacated by the Netherlands for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1978.

2. At its 2042nd and 2044th plenary meetings, on 13 and 14 January 1977, the Council decided to postpone until the sixty-second session the election of:

8 See A/C.5/31/50, para. 7.

⁴ E/L.1742. For the final text of the report, see Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/5907). ⁵ E/5892.

⁶ See E/5899.

⁷ For the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1977, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/31/3), annex III.

- (a) Ten members to the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund;
- (b) Two members to the Committee on Housing. Building and Planning, one from African States and one from Asian States, for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980;
- (c) Three members to the Committee on Science and Technology for Development:
 - (i) One from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980;
 - (ii) Two from Asian States, one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1978 and one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1979;
- (d) Five members to the Committee on Review and Appraisal:
 - (i) One from African States and two from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1979;
 - (ii) Two from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1977;
- (e) Six members to the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Working Group on the Problem of Corrupt Practices, one from Asian States, two from Eastern European States and three from Western European and other States for a term of office beginning on the date of election.

CONFIRMATION OF REPRESENTATIVES ON FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS OF THE COUNCIL

3. At its 2042nd plenary meeting, the Council confirmed the appointment of the following representatives of members of functional commissions of the Council nominated by their Governments:9

STATISTICAL COMMISSION

Lelia Ines Boeri de Cervetto (Argentina)

Edmond Malinvaud (France)

Faustin Nze (Gabon)

József Bálint (Hungary)

Saburo Kawai (Japan)

Ramesh Chander (Malaysia)

Ingvar Ohlsson (Sweden)

Nikolai N. Artemyev (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Sir Claus Moser (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Néstor Herrera Malpica (Venezuela)

POPULATION COMMISSION

Luiz Paulo Lindenberg Sette (Brazil)

Alfred Sauvy (France)

Samuel Baidoo Jones (Ghana)

József Bálint (Hungary)

Serla Grewal (India)

Rusiah Sardjono (Indonesia)

Nobuo Shinozaki (Japan)

K. J. van de Kaa (Netherlands)

Petter Jakob Bjerve (Norway)

Mercedes Concepción (Philippines)

Silas Niyibizi (Rwanda)

Salustiano Del Campo Urbano (Spain)

Visid Prachuabmoh (Thailand)

Aleksandr A. Zhuk (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Marshall Green (United States of America)

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Gregorio Amunategui Prá (Chile)

Finn Nielsen (Denmark)

Eudoro Sánchez y Sánchez (Dominican Republic)

Gladys Pozo de Ruiz (Ecuador)

Ilona Gereb (Hungary)

Maria Antonietta Cao Pinna (Italy)

Nako Ts'oanamatsie (Lesotho)

Narciso G. Reyes (Philippines)

Michal Dobroczynski (Poland)

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Felix Ermacora (Austria)

Ivan I. Antonovich (Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Luben Pentchev (Bulgaria)

Yvon Beaulne (Canada)

Gerardo Trejos (Costa Rica)

Michael A. Triantafyllides (Cyprus)

Ahmed M. Khalifa (Egypt)

Princess Ashraf Pahlavi (Iran)

Abdul Hamid Sharaf (Jordan)

Ghulam Ali Allana (Pakistan)

Luis Chávez-Godoy (Peru)

Dia Allah El-Fattal (Syrian Arab Republic)

Hans Danelius (Sweden)

A. Coskun Kirca (Turkey)

Valerian Aleksandrovich Zorin (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)

Tatu F. Nuru (United Republic of Tanzania)

Carlos Giambruno (Uruguay)

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

M. A. Coene (Belgium)

Yordanka Ylyeva Tropolova (Bulgaria)

Esther Veliz (Cuba)

Helga Hoerz (German Democratic Republic)

Inge Donnepp (Federal Republic of Germany)

Anna Venezi-Cosmetatos (Greece)

Kamila Tyabji (India)

Ayako Oba (Japan)

Farida Allaghi (Libyan Arab Republic)

⁹ See E/5897 and Add.1-3 and E/5898.

Séraphine Lamina (Madagascar) Aida Gonzalez Martinez (Mexico)

Sonja Fredgardh (Sweden)

Maj Britt Sandlund (Sweden)

Princess Ng. Prem Purachatra (Thailand)

Adjoavi Trenou (Togo)

T. N. Nikolaeva (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)

Veronica Peñalver de Lepage (Venezuela)

SUB-COMMISSION ON ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC AND RELATED MATTERS IN THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST Behrouz Shahandeh (Iran)

Sten Strömholm (Sweden)
Excüment Yavuzalp (Turkey)

APPOINTMENT TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE COMMITTEE ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL

4. At the same meeting, the Council, on the recommendation of the Secretary-General, appointed Mrs. Simone Andrée Rozes (France) to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control created by the resignation of Mr. Maurice Aydalot (France) for a term beginning on the date of the appointment and expiring on 31 December 1978.

¹⁰ See E/5903.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL AT ITS THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

RESOLUTION

2046 (S-III). World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination: membership and terms of reference of the Preparatory Sub-Committee

The Economic and Social Council,

Having reviewed the provisions of its resolution 1990 (LX) of 11 May 1976 as amended by its decision 206 (ORG-77) of 14 January 1977 regarding the membership of the Preparatory Sub-Committee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

Taking note of the communication dated 4 February 1977 from the Government of Ghana to the Secretary-General¹¹ regarding the venue of the said Conference,

Decides to replace the introductory phrase of paragraph 4 and subparagraph 4 (a) of resolution 1990 (LX) by the following text:

"4. Authorizes the President of the Economic and Social Council, in consultation with regional groups, to appoint a committee of twenty-three States Members of the United Nations, which, acting as the preparatory sub-committee of the Council:

11 E/5911.

"(a) Shall complete, in consultation with the Secretary-General, the preparations for the Conference, in particular the provisional agenda, rules of procedure, timing, costs, representation at the Conference and documentation;".

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The President of the Economic and Social Council subsequently informed the Secretary-General¹² that, in pursuance of the above resolution, he had appointed the following twenty-three Member States to the Preparatory Sub-Committee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination: ALGERIA, AUSTRIA, BULGARIA, COLOMBIA, CUBA, CYPRUS, FRANCE, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF, GRENADA, IRAQ, KENYA, NIGERIA, PHILIPPINES, PORTUGAL, SOMALIA, SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, TOGO, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND. VENEZUELA, YUGOSLAVIA and ZAIRE.

¹² E/5936.

RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL DURING ITS SIXTY-SECOND SESSION

Resolutions and decisions adopted without reference to a sessional committee

RESOLUTIONS

2047 (LXII). Assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia

The Economic and Social Council,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General¹³ submitted to the Council pursuant to General Assembly resolution 31/172 of 21 December 1976 on the progress made in the implementation of all relevant resolutions regarding assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Ethiopia,

Noting with concern that in four regions of the drought-sensitive areas of the country crop failures have been reported, and that a crisis could result before the next harvest in October,

Having heard the statement of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator¹⁴ outlining substantial grain import requirements for the year 1977 as well as the urgent need for transport vehicles and associated equipment for the distribution of relief grain,

Having also heard the report of the Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Africa of the United Nations Development Programme¹⁴ on assistance being provided by the Programme to the Government of Ethiopia in relation to its relief and rehabilitation programmes in the drought-stricken areas of the country.

Taking note of the measures taken by the Government of Ethiopia to deal with emergency relief and rehabilitation in the drought-stricken areas of the country,

Recalling its resolutions 1833 (LVI) of 8 May 1974, 1876 (LVII) of 16 July 1974, 1971 (LIX) of 30 July 1975 and 1986 (LX) of 6 May 1976, in which the Council, inter alia, called upon the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to respond to the requests of the Government of Ethiopia with regard to the immediate, medium-term and long-term needs of the drought-stricken areas, and appealed to the Governments of all Member States, international organizations and voluntary agencies to continue giving their fullest support and assistance in the Government's effort towards rehabilitation and recovery.

Further noting that despite the generous assistance offered to the Government of Ethiopia by the Governments of Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and voluntary agencies, enormous difficulties of rehabilitation and recovery still persist,

- 1. Requests the United Nations Disaster Relief Coordinator, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the other United Nations organizations and the specialized agencies to continue and intensify their assistance to Ethiopia in its relief and rehabilitation effort in their respective areas of competence and to implement promptly the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, 3441 (XXX) of 9 December 1975 and 31/172, and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1833 (LVI), 1876 (LVII), 1971 (LIX) and 1986 (LX);
- 2. Appeals to Governments of Member States and to intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all voluntary agencies to continue and increase their assistance to the Government of Ethiopia for relief, rehabilitation and recovery of the drought-stricken areas;
 - 3. Decides to keep the matter under review.

2054th plenary meeting 5 May 1977

2048 (LXII). Convening of a Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the First United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, 15 which was held at Panama City from 8 to 19 March 1976,

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 projects,

Noting the recommendation of the Conference that a Second United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas should be convened at Mexico City in the first half of 1979,

Noting also with appreciation that the Government of Mexico has offered to act as host to the Conference to be held at Mexico City for two weeks during the first half of 1979 and to extend its full co-operation in this regard,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to make the necessary arrangements, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/140 of 17 December 1976,

¹³ E/5919

¹⁴ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Plenary Meetings, 2054th meeting.

¹⁵ E/5906.

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.

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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'."

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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 Sub-Committee 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.

- 8. Recommends that the Conference be held in Geneva or New York or any other place which may be suggested by and accepted from, any Government that may subsequently offer to act as host to it;
- 9. Recommends further that the duration of the Conference should be two weeks, from 14 to 25 August 1978, this date being subject to adjustment if an offer is received and accepted from a Government to act as host to the Conference;
- 10. Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its relevant resolutions, in particular resolutions 3057 (XXVIII) of 2 November 1973 and 31/78 of 13 December 1976 in which it affirmed its total abhorrence of racism, racial discrimination and apartheid and resolved to achieve their total elimination,

"Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 2057 (LXII) of 12 May 1977, including the annex thereto in relation to the preparation of the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

"Taking note of the communication dated 4 February 1977 from the Government of Ghana to the Secretary-General,19

- "1. Endorses Economic and Social Council resolution 2057 (LXII), including the annex thereto;
- "2. Regrets the circumstances which led to the withdrawal by the Government of Ghana of its offer to act as host to the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination and expresses its appreciation to Ghana for its co-operation;
- "3. Decides to convene the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination at from 14 to 25 August 1978;
- "4. Requests the Secretary-General to invite as participants in the Conference:
 - "(a) All States;
- "(b) The United Nations Council for Namibia in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/149 of 20 December 1976;
- "5. Requests the Secretary-General to invite 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 as indicated in the annex to the present resolution;²⁰
- "6. Authorizes the allocation from the regular budget of the United Nations of the costs involved in holding the Conference;
- "7. Decides to include Arabic as a language of the Conference;
- "8. Requests the Secretary-General, as part of the preparatory process, to take adequate steps to ensure that maximum publicity shall be given to the Conference and, to that end, to allocate the necessary resources from the regular budget;
- "9. Calls upon all States to contribute to the success of the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, in particular by their active participation in the Conference;
- "10. Urges all States to co-operate with the Secretary-General of the Conference in the preparation of the Conference;
- "11. Requests the Secretary-General to report to it at its thirty-third session on the work of the Conference;
- "12. Decides to consider at its thirty-third session as a matter of high priority an item entitled 'World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination'."

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ANNEX

I Pre-session documents

- 1. Basic documents:
- (a) Programme for the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination:
- (b) International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
- (c) International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid.
- 2. National reports:

Each Government invited would be requested to prepare a report of not more than 15 pages, under its own responsibility, analysing some of the problems of racial discrimination that might be found in its own country or in territories under its jurisdiction, and indicating how those problems had been dealt with. The reports should be in one of the official languages of the Conference and would be circulated in their original language.

- 3. Reports and studies:
- (a) Relevant reports and studies conducted by the organs and bodies of the United Nations;

²⁰ To be submitted at a later stage.

- (b) Relevant reports of seminars and symposia held under the auspices of the United Nations.
- 4. Introductory papers:
 - (a) General introductory paper;
- (b) The provisional agenda with the appropriate annotations;
 - (c) The draft provisional rules of procedure.

II. In-session documents

- 1. There would be no summary records, but the report of each committee would contain a concise summary of the discussions of various questions in that committee.
- 2. In the absence of summary records, special attention should be given to the preparation of press releases and other informational material.
- 3. A final document on the proceedings and results of the Conference would be prepared, containing the reports and recommendations of the main committees and all the decisions and declarations adopted by the Conference.

2086 (LXII). Infringements of trade union rights in southern Africa

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1997 (LX) of 12 May 1976,

Taking note of the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on southern Africa,²¹

Gravely concerned at the increased use of arrests and bannings to suppress legitimate trade union activities among African workers in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe,

Commending the widespread manifestations of trade union solidarity with the struggle of African workers in southern Africa.

- 1. Condemns the continued gross infringements of trade union rights in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe;
- 2. Calls for the immediate release of all trade unionists at present under detention in southern Africa

and for the lifting of all banning orders imposed on persons engaged in trade union activities;

3. Demands full recognition of all trade union rights of African workers in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe.

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2087 (LXII). World Conference for Action against Apartheid

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 that the General Assembly, in its resolution 31/6 G of 9 November 1976, authorized the Special Committee against Apartheid to organize a World Conference for Action against Apartheid in 1977,

Recalling further its resolution 2082 B (LXII) in which it recommended that the General Assembly should declare 1978 International Anti-apartheid Year,

Conscious of the imperative need for effective international action against apartheid during the Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination,

- 1. Welcomes the generous offer made by the Government of Nigeria to act as host to the World Conference for Action against Apartheid at Lagos from 22 to 26 August 1977;
- 2. Urges all Member States, specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations concerned, and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to lend their maximum co-operation to ensure the success of the World Conference for Action against Apartheid;
- 3. Invites the Special Committee against Apartheid to submit the report and documents of the World Conference for Action against Apartheid to the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

2060th plenary meeting 13 May 1977

DECISIONS

213 (LXII). Calendar of conferences and meetings

- 1. At its 2047th plenary meeting, on 19 April 1977 and its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council decided to approve the following changes in the calendar of conferences and meetings for the remainder of 1977:²²
- (a) The seventeenth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination would be convened from 23 May to 17 June (instead of 9 May to 3 June) at United Nations Headquarters;
- (b) A resumed third session of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Working Group on the Problem of Corrupt Practices would be convened at Geneva from 27 June to 1 July;
- (c) The Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative

Committee on Co-ordination would be held at Geneva on 5, 6 and 7 July (instead of 4 and 5 July);

- (d) These meetings of Ad Hoc Working Group 1 of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development would be held at Vienna from 16 to 20 May (instead of at Geneva);
- (e) The seventh session of the Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Co-ordination of the Statistical Commission would be held at Geneva on 23 and 24 June (instead of 4-6 July).
- 2. At its 2054th plenary meeting, the Council also decided that the next session of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods should be held in November 1978;²³ that the Group of Experts on Explosives should meet for one week in 1977 and for one week in 1978; and that the Group of Rapporteurs should meet three times, once in 1977 for two weeks and twice in 1978 for two weeks and one week, respectively.

²¹ E/CN.4/1222 and Corr.1.

²² For the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1977, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-first Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/31/3), annex III, and decision 211 (ORG-77) above.

²³ The Council will determine the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1978 and 1979 at its sixty-third session.