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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 Co-ordination 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.
13. Narcotic drugs.
14. Non-governmental organizations.
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,¹ approved the following basic programme of work for 1977:

A

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 Discrimination
3. 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
7. Population questions
8. Statistical questions
9. Social development questions
10. 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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1. General discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments
2. Regional co-operation and development
3. Assistance in emergency situations
4. Assistance to Mozambique
5. Assistance to Zambia
6. Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system
7. United Nations University
8. Trade and development³
9. Preparations for a new international development strategy³
10. United Nations Conference on Desertification³
11. Developments in human settlements and follow-up to Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements

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
26. 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 session

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:⁴ (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 Co-ordination (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 sixty-second 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

(b) 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:

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.

⁸ See A/C.5/31/50, para. 7.

(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 Dobroczyński (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,¹⁰ 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:

“(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;”.

*2045th plenary meeting
23 February 1977*

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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.

¹¹ E/5911.

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 Co-ordinator, 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,

¹⁵ E/5906.

¹³ E/5919.

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

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.

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'."

*2058th plenary meeting
12 May 1977*

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;

¹⁹ E/5911.

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.

H. *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

²¹ E/CN.4/1222 and Corr.1.

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.

2060th plenary meeting
13 May 1977

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

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.

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 I 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.

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

214 (LXII). Provisional agenda for the fifth session of the Committee on Natural Resources

At its 2048th plenary meeting, on 20 April 1977, the Council took note of the fact that the provisional agenda for the fifth session of the Committee on Natural Resources would include an item entitled "United Nations Water Conference" and that under that item the Secretary-General of the Conference would inform the Committee of the results of the Conference, which was held at Mar del Plata from 14 to 25 March 1977.

215 (LXII). International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia

At its 2050th plenary meeting, on 22 April 1977, the Council approved the recommendation made by its Preparatory Sub-Committee for the World Conference to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination²⁴ that a member of the Division of Human Rights should attend the International Conference in Support of the Peoples of Zimbabwe and Namibia, to be held from 16 to 21 May 1977 at Maputo, Mozambique.

216 (LXII). Revision of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council

At its 2053rd plenary meeting, on 26 April 1977, the Council, having reviewed the draft revised text of the rules of procedure of its functional commissions proposed by the Secretariat,²⁵ adopted without a vote the revised rules of procedure of its functional commissions proposed by the Secretariat, as orally revised at the meeting.²⁶

217 (LXII). Rationalization of the work of the Council

At its 2053rd plenary meeting, on 26 April 1977, the Council agreed to take a decision at its organizational session for 1978 on the timing of the review of: (a) the agreements between the United Nations and the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency; and (b) the terms of reference of the Council's subsidiary bodies.

239 (LXII). Participation of an intergovernmental organization in the work of the Council

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council, having received an application from the Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences²⁷ for designation in accordance with rule 79 of the rules of procedure, decided, on the recommendation of its Bureau,²⁸ that that organization might participate, without the right to vote, on an *ad hoc* basis in the deliberations of the Council within the scope of the activities of that organization.

²⁴ See E/5922, para. 1.

²⁵ See E/5899.

²⁶ The final text of the revised rules of procedure of the functional commissions (E/5975) was issued later as a United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.I.10.

²⁷ E/5983, annex.

²⁸ E/5983.

240 (LXII). Research on the role and position of women in development

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council took note of the progress report of the Secretary-General on research within the United Nations system on the role and position of women in development and on ways and means to organize and finance further research.²⁹

241 (LXII). Report of the Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council took note with appreciation of the reports of the Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies³⁰ and decided to transmit to the International Fund for Agricultural Development: (a) for its approval, the draft relationship agreement proposed by the Committee; and (b) the summary record of the Council's discussion of the matter.³¹

242 (LXII). Provisional agenda and organization of work of the sixty-third session of the Council

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council decided:

(a) To approve the draft provisional agenda for the sixty-third session³² which was before it, with the addition of an item entitled "International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: report of the Human Rights Committee", to be considered at the resumed sixty-third session, and the rewording of item 26 to read: "Agreements between the United Nations and intergovernmental organizations";

(b) To consider the agenda item entitled "United Nations University" at its resumed sixty-third session;

(c) To approve the arrangements for the sixty-third session and the time-table for the work of the session,³³ on the understanding that each committee would decide on the organization of its own work at the outset of the session.

243 (LXII). Elections

1. At its 2055th, 2056th and 2057th meetings, on 11 and 12 May 1977, the Council held elections to fill the seats falling vacant on 31 December 1977 in four of its functional commissions.

STATISTICAL COMMISSION

The following seven Member States were elected for a four-year term: CANADA, ETHIOPIA, JAMAICA, SPAIN, TUNISIA, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Membership in 1978 and 1979³⁴

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	1979
Brazil	1980
Canada	1981

²⁹ E/5914.

³⁰ E/5924.

³¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Plenary Meetings, 2060th meeting.*

³² E/L.1757.

³³ E/L.1766.

³⁴ At its 2055th plenary meeting, the Council postponed until a later session the election of one member from African States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1978.

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Czechoslovakia	1979
Ethiopia	1981
France	1980
Ghana	1979
India	1979
Iraq	1979
Ireland	1979
Jamaica	1981
Japan	1980
Kenya	1979
Malaysia	1980
Panama	1980
Romania	1980
Spain	1981
Sweden	1980
Tunisia	1981
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1979
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1981
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1980
United States of America	1981

POPULATION COMMISSION

The following nine Member States were elected for a four-year term: BARBADOS, EGYPT, INDIA, JAPAN, MALAWI, PANAMA, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Membership in 1978 and 1979

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Barbados	1981
Brazil	1980
Dominican Republic	1980
Egypt	1981
Finland	1979
France	1979
Hungary	1980
India	1981
Indonesia	1979
Japan	1981
Malawi	1981
Mexico	1979
Netherlands	1980
Norway	1980
Panama	1981
Philippines	1979
Rwanda	1980
Sierra Leone	1979
Spain	1980
Thailand	1980
Uganda	1979
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1979
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1981
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1981
United States of America	1981
Zaire	1980

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The following 11 Member States were elected for a three-year term: AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, EGYPT, FRANCE, IRAN, IVORY COAST, POLAND, SENEGAL, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and YUGOSLAVIA.

Membership in 1978

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Australia	1980
Austria	1979
Brazil	1980
Bulgaria	1978
Canada	1978

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Colombia	1980
Cuba	1978
Cyprus	1979
Egypt	1980
France	1980
India	1979
Iran	1980
Ivory Coast	1980
Jordan	1978
Lesotho	1978
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	1978
Nigeria	1979
Pakistan	1979
Panama	1979
Peru	1979
Poland	1980
Rwanda	1978
Senegal	1980
Senegal	1979
Syrian Arab Republic	1979
Turkey	1978
Uganda	1979
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1979
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1978
United States of America	1980
Uruguay	1978
Yugoslavia	1980

COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The following 15 Member States were elected for a four-year term: ALGERIA, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, BRAZIL, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, INDONESIA, IRAN, JAPAN, MEXICO, PANAMA, TOGO, TUNISIA, TURKEY, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS and UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

Membership in 1978 and 1979

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	1981
Argentina	1979
Australia	1981
Belgium	1981
Brazil	1981
Canada	1979
Colombia	1979
France	1979
German Democratic Republic	1981
Germany, Federal Republic of	1979
Hungary	1979
India	1979
Indonesia	1981
Iran	1981
Italy	1979
Japan	1981
Kenya	1979
Madagascar	1979
Mexico	1981
Pakistan	1979
Panama	1981
Sweden	1979
Thailand	1979
Togo	1981
Tunisia	1981
Turkey	1981
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1981
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1981
United States of America	1979
Yugoslavia	1979

2. At its 2055th and 2056th plenary meetings, on 11 May 1977, the Council also held elections to fill vacancies in the following bodies: Committee on

Housing, Building and Planning, Committee on Review and Appraisal, Commission on Transnational Corporations, Committee on Natural Resources and Committee on Science and Technology for Development. It also nominated Member States for election by the General Assembly to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING

The following nine Member States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1978: BARBADOS, CANADA, CENTRAL AFRICAN EMPIRE, EGYPT, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, IRAQ, JAMAICA, SWEDEN and THAILAND.

MALAWI and the SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC were also elected to fill vacant seats allocated to African and Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980.

Membership in 1978 and 1979

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Barbados	1981
Burundi	1979
Canada	1981
Central African Empire	1981
Czechoslovakia	1980
Ecuador	1979
El Salvador	1980
Egypt	1981
France	1979
German Democratic Republic	1981
Ghana	1980
Greece	1979
Iran	1980
Iraq	1981
Jamaica	1981
Japan	1979
Malawi	1980
Portugal	1980
Sweden	1981
Syrian Arab Republic	1980
Thailand	1981
Trinidad and Tobago	1979
Uganda	1980
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1979
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1979
United Republic of Tanzania	1979
United States of America	1980

COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL

The following 18 Member States were elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1978: ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, BENIN, CANADA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, EGYPT, FRANCE, GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF, KENYA, NETHERLANDS, NIGERIA, SURINAM, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, UNITED REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON and VENEZUELA.

Membership in 1978 and 1979³⁵

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	1981
Argentina	1981

³⁵ At its 2055th plenary meeting, the Council decided to postpone until a later session the election of the following: (a) Two members from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1977; (b) Four members from African States and five members from Asian States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 1978; and (c) One member from African States and two members from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1979.

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Austria	1981
Benin	1981
Belgium	1981
Brazil	1979
Canada	1981
Colombia	1981
Czechoslovakia	1979
Dominican Republic	1979
Ecuador	1981
Egypt	1981
Finland	1979
France	1981
German Democratic Republic	1979
Germany, Federal Republic of	1981
Hungary	1979
India	1979
Italy	1979
Japan	1979
Kenya	1981
Mexico	1979
Netherlands	1981
Nigeria	1981
Norway	1979
Pakistan	1979
Peru	1979
Senegal	1979
Spain	1979
Sri Lanka	1979
Surinam	1981
Sweden	1979
Trinidad and Tobago	1979
Tunisia	1979
Uganda	1979
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1979
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1979
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1981
United Republic of Cameroon	1981
United States of America	1979
Venezuela	1981
Yugoslavia	1979

COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS

The following 13 States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1978: ARGENTINA, BENIN, COLOMBIA, FRANCE, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF, GHANA, JAPAN, ROMANIA, SURINAM, SWITZERLAND, TUNISIA and ZAMBIA.

Membership in 1978³⁶

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	1978
Argentina	1980
Benin	1980
Brazil	1979
Canada	1978
Colombia	1980
Cuba	1979
France	1980
Gabon	1978
German Democratic Republic	1980
Germany, Federal Republic of	1980
Ghana	1980
India	1978
Indonesia	1979
Iran	1978
Iraq	1978
Italy	1978
Ivory Coast	1978

³⁶ At its 2055th plenary meeting, the Council postponed until a later session the election of three members from Asian States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1978.

*Term expires
on 31 December*

Jamaica	1978
Japan	1980
Kenya	1979
Kuwait	1979
Madagascar	1979
Mexico	1979
Netherlands	1979
Nigeria	1978
Pakistan	1978
Panama	1979
Peru	1978
Romania	1980
Spain	1978
Surinam	1980
Sweden	1979
Switzerland	1980
Thailand	1979
Tunisia	1980
Uganda	1979
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1978
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1979
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1979
United States of America	1979
Venezuela	1978
Yugoslavia	1978
Zaire	1979
Zambia	1980

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

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

It postponed until a later session the election of one member from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1980, and of one member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1978.

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

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

It postponed until a later session the election of two members 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.

COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION

In accordance with the procedure instituted in its decision 139 (ORG-76), the Council nominated the following seven Member States for election by the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, for a term of three years: BRAZIL, BURUNDI, GHANA, INDIA, INDONESIA, JAPAN and KENYA.

3. At its 2055th and 2056th plenary meetings, on 11 May 1977, the Council held elections to the following bodies: Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund, Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme and Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes.

EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND

The following 10 States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 August 1977: AFGHANISTAN, BARBADOS, CANADA, CHILE, GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF, JORDAN, NORWAY, PAKISTAN, YUGOSLAVIA and ZAMBIA.

Membership from 1 August 1977

	<i>Term expires on 31 July</i>
Afghanistan	1980
Barbados	1980
Benin	1978
Bolivia	1978
Brazil	1979
Bulgaria	1978
Canada	1980
Chile	1980
France	1979
Germany, Federal Republic of	1980
Guinea	1978
Indonesia	1978
Italy	1979
Japan	1979
Jordan	1980
Morocco	1979
Netherlands	1978
Norway	1980
Pakistan	1980
Philippines	1978
Poland	1979
Sweden	1978
Switzerland	1978
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1979
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1978
United Republic of Cameroon	1979
United Republic of Tanzania	1979
United States of America	1979
Yugoslavia	1980
Zambia	1980

GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The following 16 States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1978: ARGENTINA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN, ECUADOR, FINLAND, GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF, INDONESIA, IVORY COAST, JORDAN, KENYA, NETHERLANDS, POLAND, SENEGAL, SPAIN, SWITZERLAND and TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

Membership in 1978

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	1980
Australia	1979
Austria	1978
Belgium	1979
Brazil	1979
Burundi	1979
Canada	1979
Colombia	1978
Congo	1979
Cuba	1978
Czechoslovakia	1980
Democratic Yemen	1980
Denmark	1978
Ecuador	1980
Finland	1980
France	1979
Germany, Federal Republic of	1980

	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>	<i>Members elected by the Economic and Social Council³⁷</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Guinea	1979	Denmark	1978
India	1978	Ethiopia	1978
Indonesia	1980	Greece	1980
Iran	1978	Guatemala	1979
Italy	1978	Hungary	1980
Ivory Coast	1980	Ireland	1979
Japan	1978	Japan	1978
Jordan	1980	Norway	1980
Kenya	1980	Pakistan	1978
Kuwait	1979	Tunisia	1980
Madagascar	1979	United Kingdom of Great Britain and North- ern Ireland	1979
Mali	1978	Zaire	1979
Mexico	1978		
Netherlands	1980	<i>Members elected by the FAO Council³⁸</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Norway	1979	Brazil	1978
Pakistan	1979	Congo	1978
Poland	1980	Egypt	1979
Romania	1979	France	1979
Senegal	1980	Germany, Federal Republic of	1979
Sierra Leone	1978	Guinea	1979
Spain	1980	Indonesia	1978
Swaziland	1979	Netherlands	1978
Sweden	1979	Trinidad and Tobago	1979
Switzerland	1980	Uganda	1978
Thailand	1979		
Trinidad and Tobago	1980		
Tunisia	1978		
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1978		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and North- ern Ireland	1978		
United States of America	1978		
Yemen	1978		

COMMITTEE ON FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES

The following four Member States were elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1978: GREECE, HUNGARY, NORWAY and TUNISIA.

Membership in 1978

	<i>Members elected by the Economic and Social Council³⁷</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina		1979
Belgium		1978

³⁷ At its 2055th plenary meeting, the Council postponed until a later session the election of one member from Asian States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 1978.

Ad Hoc INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON THE PROBLEM OF CORRUPT PRACTICES

4. At its 2056th plenary meeting, on 11 May 1977, the Council postponed until a later session the election of one member from Asian States, two members from Eastern European States and three members from Western European and other States, for a term beginning on the date of election.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL FUND FOR LAND-LOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

5. The Council decided not to hold elections to the Board of Governors and to refer the matter to the General Assembly at its resumed thirty-first session.

³⁸ The five remaining seats are to be filled by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization at its session to be held in the fourth quarter of 1977.

Resolutions and decisions adopted on the reports of the Economic Committee

RESOLUTIONS

2050 (LXII). Work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 645 G (XXIII) of 26 April 1957, 724 C (XXVIII) of 7 July 1959, 871 (XXXIII) of 10 April 1962, 994 (XXXVI) of 16 December 1963, 1110 (XL) of 7 March 1966, 1488 (XLVIII) of 22 May 1970, 1744 (LIV) of 4 May 1973 and its resolutions 1973 (LIX) and 1974 (LIX) of 30 July 1975,

Noting the programme of work for 1977-1978 proposed by the Committee of Experts on the Trans-

port of Dangerous Goods in paragraphs 143 to 145 of its report on its ninth session,³⁹

Noting also the views of the Committee of Experts on a study of an international convention on the transport of dangerous goods by all modes of transport as set out in the report of the Secretary-General,⁴⁰

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods;

2. Takes note of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its ninth session;

³⁹ ST/SG/AC.10/2.

⁴⁰ E/5916, para. 7.

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the light of the contents of the report of the Committee of Experts:

(a) To incorporate in the Recommendations prepared by the Committee of Experts⁴¹ the amendments set forth in the report of the Committee on its ninth session;⁴²

(b) To publish the amendments so adopted;

(c) To circulate the recommendations as soon as possible to Governments of Member States, to the specialized agencies, to the International Atomic Energy Agency and to the other international organizations concerned;

4. *Invites* Governments of Member States, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the other international organizations concerned to transmit to the Secretary-General such comments as they may wish to make on the amended recommendations and to indicate to what extent they will be applied, and requests the Secretary-General to transmit these observations to the Committee of Experts for consideration at its tenth session;

5. *Invites* the Committee of Experts, in consultation with other bodies concerned, particularly the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, the International Civil Aviation Organization, the International Air Transport Association and the regional commissions, to continue its study of an international convention on the transport of dangerous goods by all modes of transport, taking into account the special problems, if any, of developing countries, and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene sufficient meetings of the Committee of Experts and its subsidiary bodies to permit satisfactory progress to be made on outstanding tasks and to this end requests the Secretary-General to convene in 1979 additional meetings of the Group of Rapporteurs consisting of a total of ten working days in preparation for the Group's report to the Committee at its eleventh session to be held in 1980;

7. *Decides* that any member of the Committee of Experts may participate and vote in the work of that Committee's subsidiary bodies, if he notifies the Secretariat of his intention to do so.

*2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977*

2051 (LXII). Action by the United Nations to implement the recommendations of the World Population Plan of Action

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Population Commission on its nineteenth session,⁴³

Bearing in mind that the World Population Conference, which was held at Bucharest from 19 to 30 August 1974, adopted a World Population Plan of

⁴¹ *Transport of Dangerous Goods* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.VIII.2).

⁴² See ST/SG/AC.10/2, annexes 1-13.

⁴³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/5913).*

Action as a policy instrument within the broader context of the internationally adopted strategies and of international progress,

Also bearing in mind the efforts made by Governments, by the United Nations system, other intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to apply an integrated approach to social and economic development,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974 containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 31/182 of 21 December 1976, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Committee for Development Planning as well as with the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and other relevant organs and organizations of the United Nations system, to collect data and information relevant to the formulation of a new international development strategy, and decided to consider at its thirty-second session appropriate action for the preparations for a new international development strategy,

Recalling further General Assembly resolution 3344 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, in which the Assembly took note with satisfaction of the report of the World Population Conference,⁴⁴ including the resolutions and recommendations of the Conference and the World Population Plan of Action,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in pursuing the task of collecting data and information relevant to the formulation of a new international development strategy, to take due account of the World Population Plan of Action as one of the inputs of particular relevance to that task;

2. *Recommends* to the General Assembly that, when it considers the question of preparing a new international development strategy, the role of population and the importance of population policies and activities in their relationship to the establishment of a new international economic order should be given due weight, and should be duly integrated into the goals, objectives, policy measures and targets to be contained in any new strategy.

*2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977*

2052 (LXII). Population Information System (POPINS)

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the recommendations of the World Population Conference, in particular those contained in the World Population Plan of Action,⁴⁵ especially in para-

⁴⁴ *Report of the United Nations World Population Conference, Bucharest, 19-30 August 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.XIII.3).

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, chap. I.

graphs 15, 80, 90, 91, 100 and 102, which place emphasis on the exchange, sharing and dissemination of information in the field of population,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 3344 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974, which deals with the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action,

1. *Takes note* of the findings of the study undertaken with regard to the establishment of a world-wide population information system (POPINS);⁴⁶

2. *Affirms* the importance of intensified efforts towards the dissemination of scientific and technical information in the field of population, especially in the developing countries; the need to promote easier access to such information for users, particularly those directly or indirectly concerned with economic and social development; the need to develop at the national level appropriate institutional arrangements and supporting programmes to promote the sharing and exchange of information; the importance of establishing or strengthening regional capacities in the field of population information; and the desirability of establishing appropriate co-ordination and linkages among the already existing information activities and services in the field of population;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with Governments, with the collaboration of the regional commissions and the specialized agencies and with the advice of experts in relevant areas, to continue exploratory studies concerning the establishment of a world-wide population information system, with particular emphasis on:

(a) Gathering information about the volume of literature, institutions, potential users and their needs, especially by means of in-depth studies on a small number of national and regional institutions to estimate the amount of information which exists and to identify current and future needs of users;

(b) Consultations at the national and regional levels on arrangements for collaboration with existing programmes, especially as far as discussions with possible funders of the system are concerned;

(c) Aspects related to the design of the system, with particular attention to the operating costs of the possible options of the system at the national, regional and international levels;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to endeavour to obtain the necessary funding for the proposed activities through extrabudgetary resources;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit the findings of these exploratory studies to the Population Commission at its twentieth session for its consideration.

2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977

2053 (LXII). Work programme in the field of population

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the recommendations of the World Population Conference and particularly of the World Popu-

⁴⁶ E/CN.9/332.

lation Plan of Action,⁴⁷ General Assembly resolution 3344 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974 on the World Population Conference, and General Assembly resolution 3345 (XXIX) of 17 December 1974 on research on the interrelationships between population, resources, environment and development, and the emphasis in the World Population Plan of Action on human rights and the role of women,

Recalling also its decision 87 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975 concerning the monitoring, review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action, its decision 89 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975 concerning the biennial review in depth by the Council of population matters with special reference to the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action, its resolution 1943 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975 and its decision 169 (LXI) of 4 August 1976 on guidelines on population-related factors for development planners, and its resolution 1946 (LVIII) of 7 May 1975 on activities in the field of population,

Aware of the need to take steps for the implementation of the World Population Plan of Action, and the need to strengthen the monitoring, review and appraisal functions of the Secretariat,

Aware also of the important supportive role of the United Nations system to Governments in achieving the goals of the World Population Plan of Action through research, exchange of information and technical co-operation,

Stressing the supportive role of the work programme of the United Nations system in the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade and the pursuit of goals of economic co-operation,

Taking note of the discussions of the Population Commission at its nineteenth session on the progress of work, the work programme for the biennium 1978-1979 and the medium-term plan for the period 1978-1981,⁴⁸

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the progress of work, the work programme for the biennium 1978-1979 and the medium-term plan for the period 1978-1981;

2. *Draws the attention* of the General Assembly, in its consideration of the work programme and budget, to the need to strengthen the work of the Secretariat, including the regional commissions, arising from the World Population Conference, taking note of General Assembly resolution 31/93 of 14 December 1976;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To continue and strengthen the work on population trends and structure, demographic estimates and projections, factors affecting patterns of reproduction, population and development, and population policy;

(b) To arrange for the continuation of the monitoring of population trends and policies and for the establishment of appropriate machinery for the review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action

⁴⁷ *Report of the United Nations World Population Conference, Bucharest, 19-30 August 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.XIII.3), chap. I.

⁴⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 4* (E/5913), chaps. IV and V.

in the light of the discussions of the Commission on the question at its nineteenth session;⁴⁹

(c) To prepare a manual for the use of national planners on methods of incorporating demographic factors in development planning taking into account the interrelationships between demographic variables and economic and social factors;

(d) To continue and expand the United Nations programme of technical co-operation in the field of population to countries desiring this assistance; to adapt this programme to the requirements of developing countries; and to pay particular attention to support for development of population policies and establishment of population studies units at the national level;

(e) To strengthen the United Nations programme of training in population, in particular through continuation and expansion of the demographic training and research centres sponsored by the United Nations, support for the establishment of national training centres, and expansion of fellowships for training in population, giving attention to the training of administrators and development planners in the integration of population and development planning;

(f) To continue the publication, on a biannual basis, of the *Population Bulletin* of the United Nations as a forum for providing population analysts and planners with results of work done in the population field by the international organizations;

4. *Emphasizes* the need for the organizations of the United Nations system to strengthen their collaboration and co-ordination in the planning and execution of their population programmes.

2054th plenary meeting
5 May 1977

2054 (LXII). Financing of training of statisticians, especially through the regional funds of the United Nations Development Programme

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Statistical Commission on its nineteenth session,⁵⁰

Recognizing the crucial role played by training in the over-all development of statistical services of Member States which are developing countries,

Noting with satisfaction the considerable past assistance rendered by the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and other sources to the financing of training of statisticians, which has had a favourable impact on the statistical services of Member States which are developing countries,

Further noting the necessity to increase and consolidate the quantity and quality of technically competent statisticians in the countries of the developing world, who should collect, compile and analyse statistical data required for preparing and monitoring the economic and social development plans of developing countries,

Emphasizing the fact that sound development policy and evaluation can proceed only on the basis of adequate data concerning important development sectors,

Expressing concern over the rapidly declining trend in assistance rendered by the United Nations Development Programme to the financing of training of statisticians, especially through its regional funds,

Further concerned that, because of the lack of necessary financial and personnel resources, many developing countries, particularly the least developed, are unable on their own to set up and maintain an effective vehicle to train all levels of statisticians,

Requests the United Nations Development Programme to take a sympathetic view of the requirements of Member States which are developing countries for financing of training of statisticians, especially through its regional funds, and, subject to the priorities of developing countries for the application of regional and country programme funds, to increase this component in its assistance with a view to fostering the long-term and lasting development of the statistical services of developing countries, priority being given to the requirements of the least developed among the developing countries.

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5 May 1977

2055 (LXII). National Household Survey Capability Programme

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of the report of the Statistical Commission on its nineteenth session⁵¹ and, in particular, of the high priority it assigned to the proposal by the Economic Commission for Africa for a regional programme of technical assistance to developing countries designed to enable them to establish or improve a continuing national household survey capability, and of the broad relevance of such a programme to other developing regions,

Recalling paragraph 74 of the World Population Plan of Action,⁵² in which, *inter alia*, all countries that have not yet done so are encouraged to establish a continuing capability for taking household surveys,

Recalling also resolution 272 (XII)⁵³ adopted by the Economic Commission for Africa at its twelfth session and third meeting of the Conference of Ministers, in which it, *inter alia*, urged the undertaking of a multipurpose programme of household surveys for the collection of integrated demographic, social and economic data through the establishment of a field survey mechanism,

Recalling further the recommendation contained in paragraph 30 of the Programme of Action⁵⁴ adopted by the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour, held at Geneva from 4 to 17 June 1976, in which, *inter alia*, international bodies and interested countries are invited to consider

⁵¹ *Ibid.*

⁵² *Report of the United Nations World Population Conference, Bucharest, 19-30 August 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.XIII.3), chap. 1.

⁵³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 10*, vol. 1, part three.

⁵⁴ See E/5857.

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*, paras. 71-82.

⁵⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 2 (E/5910).

the feasibility of initiating a world-wide programme in support of household surveys,

Realizing that the renewed emphasis on approaching development efforts on an integrated basis, as exemplified by the decisions of the World Population Conference, the World Food Conference⁵⁵ and the World Conference on Employment, implies an increased need for countries to have integrated statistics available for the planning, management and evaluation of programmes arising from these efforts,

1. *Considers* that national sample surveys, carried out on a continuous and integrated basis, by focusing on the individual and the household, can provide important quantitative information on economic, social and demographic conditions, and changes therein, for the entire population and the special groups within it, including the most disadvantaged groups such as the rural poor;

2. *Draws the attention* of developing countries in all regions to the value of a continuing national household survey capability in serving their national needs

⁵⁵ See *Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3).

for reliable and integrated statistics as a necessary complement to periodic census programmes;

3. *Draws the attention* of developing countries to the possibility of using additional funds available to them through their United Nations Development Programme country programme facility to support the establishment or upgrading of such national survey capabilities as an important component of developmental infrastructure;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the United Nations Development Programme, in co-operation with the World Bank and in consultation with other multilateral and bilateral donor agencies, to convene a meeting, as soon as is practicable, to consider ways and means of carrying out this necessary and important development activity, including the provision of resources for needed intercountry technical advice and training in this statistical field;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the regional commissions and the specialized agencies, to provide all necessary support for this programme and to submit a progress report to the Statistical Commission at its twentieth session.

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DECISIONS

218 (LXII). Report of the Secretary-General on the transport of dangerous goods

At its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the transport of dangerous goods.⁵⁶

219 (LXII). Report of the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Group on Container Standards for International Multimodal Transport

At its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council took note of the report of the *Ad Hoc* Intergovernmental Group on Container Standards for International Multimodal Transport⁵⁷ and decided to transmit it to the Trade and Development Board at its seventeenth session so that the Board could consider appropriate arrangements for further action.

220 (LXII). Report of the Statistical Commission

At its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Statistical

⁵⁶ E/5916. See also decision 213 (LXII) above, para. 2.

⁵⁷ TD/B/AC.20/6.

Commission on its nineteenth session⁵⁸ and approved the objectives and work programme recommended by the Commission in its report.

221 (LXII). First review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action

At its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council took note of the decision taken by the Population Commission regarding arrangements for review and appraisal of the World Population Plan of Action, contained in paragraph 3 of the report of the Commission on its nineteenth session.⁵⁹

222 (LXII). Report of the Population Commission

At its 2054th plenary meeting, on 5 May 1977, the Council took note of the report of the Population Commission on its nineteenth session⁵⁹ as well as of the appendix thereto containing a summary of recent population trends and policies.

⁵⁸ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 2* (E/5910). See also decision 213 (LXII) above, para. 1 (e).

⁵⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (E/5913).

Resolutions and decisions adopted on the reports of the Social Committee

RESOLUTIONS

2058 (LXII). Draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3521 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, in which the Assembly re-

quested the Commission on the Status of Women to complete, in 1976, the elaboration of the draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,

Commending the Commission on the Status of Women for its work in drafting such a Convention,

Recalling, furthermore, General Assembly resolution 31/136 of 16 December 1976, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, approved the Programme for the United Nations Decade for Women,⁶⁰ which calls for the adoption of such a Convention by the Assembly and its entry into force in the first half of the Decade, 1976 to 1980,

Convinced that the early adoption of such a Convention by the General Assembly and its entry into force would contribute to the speedy realization of the principles of equality between women and men,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women completed by the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session;⁶¹

2. Invites States Members of the United Nations and the specialized agencies concerned to present their comments on the draft Convention as soon as possible before 15 July 1977, so that they may be transmitted by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly well in advance of its thirty-second session;

3. Submits the draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women to the General Assembly;

4. Recommends that the General Assembly should take up consideration of the draft Convention, in the light of comments received, as a matter of urgency at the outset of its thirty-second session, with a view to the adoption of the draft Convention at that session.

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12 May 1977

2059 (LXII). Training of women for the preparation and implementation of project proposals

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that women should have equal access to participation in the formulation and implementation of development planning at the local, national, regional and international levels,

Considering also that women, for the most part, have not participated in the systems governing funding allocations and have not had an active role in national development planning,

Considering further that it is essential for women to acquire the necessary skills in the preparation of development project proposals, project management and evaluation procedures,

Concerned that women may continue to be denied participation on an equal basis with men unless they have the necessary skills,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/134 of 16 December 1976, in which the Assembly recognized the need for women to have rights, opportunities and obligations equal to those of men, particularly in the fields of education and professional and vocational training, so as to permit their full participation in the process of development,

1. Invites the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the executive heads of

the specialized agencies, wherever possible, and in co-ordination with the appropriate international and regional training and research institutes concerned and the regional commissions, to organize, at the request of the interested Governments, training programmes for women related to the planning, evaluation and management of development projects;

2. Suggests that such training incorporate, among other things, the following:

(a) How to look for needs of the community and formulate a project plan;

(b) How to identify good project suggestions;

(c) How to determine priorities as they relate to national development;

(d) How to write a proposal, including budget estimates of time, personnel, equipment and technical support;

(e) How to locate sources of local funding, generate funds and seek new sources of financial and human resource support from private and government sources;

(f) How to negotiate proposals and obtain support from potential sources of funds including contributions in kind;

(g) How to locate and develop management skills among women for the implementation and evaluation of the project;

(h) How to ensure timely and appropriate implementation;

(i) How to evaluate progress of implementation, solve problems and determine when special assistance is needed to complete the project;

3. Recommends that Member States should promote equal opportunities for the participation of women in training programmes related to the planning, evaluation and management of development projects, requesting such assistance from the organizations of the United Nations system as they deem necessary for that purpose;

4. Requests that this kind of training be envisaged as a possible programme of the planned International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women;

5. Invites all international agencies concerned to prepare reports which include the following information:

(a) The frequency of management and training courses, their content and where and by whom they were organized;

(b) The extent to which women are integrated in such courses;

(c) How much stress the international agency places on the inclusion of women in the preparation of project proposals in its work with national Governments;

(d) How much effort has been devoted to the dissemination of information, for example to individual women leaders and women's organizations, about these courses, as well as other kinds of training and education on formal and informal bases;

(e) Whether participation increases in accordance with the efforts made to encourage women to take advantage of these courses;

⁶⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909), annex V.

⁶¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909), chap. I, draft resolution I, annex.

6. *Invites* international agencies to allocate to women on the basis of the principle of equitable geographical distribution an equitable number of responsible posts in their respective structures, particularly in the departments entrusted with the implementation of the present resolution;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session, in 1978, on the steps taken to implement the present resolution and to submit a further report on action taken to the Commission at its twenty-eighth session and to the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980.

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2060 (LXII). Review and appraisal of progress made in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade and in the implementation of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 3490 (XXX) and 3520 (XXX) of 12 and 15 December 1975, in which the Assembly affirmed that a system-wide review and appraisal of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year⁶² should be undertaken biennially as an input to the process of review and appraisal of progress made under the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,⁶³ taking into account the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order⁶⁴ and the decisions resulting from the sixth and seventh special sessions of the General Assembly,

Recalling also that the General Assembly, in paragraph 4 of its resolution 3490 (XXX), requested the Commission on the Status of Women to report its findings and conclusions on major trends and policies with regard to the status of women, particularly the integration of women in development, to the Economic and Social Council through the Committee for Development Planning and the Committee on Review and Appraisal,

Noting that the Commission on the Status of Women, at its twenty-sixth session,⁶⁵ considered the report of the Secretary-General⁶⁶ prepared on the basis of information furnished by Governments, in implementation of the above-mentioned General Assembly resolutions, as well as of Council resolution 1855 (LVI) of 16 May 1974,

Recognizing that, within the time-limit given, few Governments were able to report on measures taken at

⁶² *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Mexico City, 19 June-2 July 1975* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A.

⁶³ General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV).

⁶⁴ General Assembly resolution 3202 (S-VI).

⁶⁵ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909)*, chap. III, sect. D.

⁶⁶ E/CN.6/598 and Add.1 and 2.

the national level specifically to implement the World Plan of Action and that it is therefore difficult at this stage to adopt findings and conclusions on major global trends and policies with regard to the status of women,

Believing that the review undertaken by the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session should be considered as a first preliminary review and appraisal of the implementation of the World Plan of Action and that a more comprehensive review should be undertaken at the twenty-seventh session in 1978,

Noting the decision of the General Assembly, in paragraph 20 of its resolution 3520 (XXX), to convene, in 1980, a world conference of all States to review and evaluate the progress made in implementing the objectives of the International Women's Year,

1. *Notes with interest* the following developments reported during the period under review in a number of countries:

(a) The recognition of and commitment to the principle of equality of men and women and the integration of women in development, both for reasons of social progress and for economic development;

(b) The adoption or plans for adoption of constitutional and/or legislative provisions ensuring the principle of non-discrimination on grounds of sex;

(c) The establishment of provisions for equal access at every level of education and guidance, compulsory education and the measures necessary to promote co-education and to prevent school drop-outs;

(d) The adoption of comprehensive measures for health education, health services, sanitation, nutrition, family education, family planning and other welfare services;

2. *Considers* that, on the basis of the material submitted, action is urgently needed to improve the situation of women in the following areas in order to meet the minimum targets set forth in paragraph 46 of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year for the five-year period 1975-1980:

(a) The enactment of legislation guaranteeing the principle of equality and non-discrimination on grounds of sex, particularly legislation designed to guarantee to women equal pay for equal work;

(b) Appropriate measures to inform and advise women of their rights, utilizing the mass communication media wherever appropriate, and to provide them with assistance in exercising their rights and responsibilities;

(c) The establishment of goals, strategies and timetables to increase the participation of women in decision making at local, national and international levels;

(d) The establishment of specific target dates for the elimination of illiteracy, especially among young persons, and the provision of the measures necessary for its maintenance within as short a time as possible for each State;

(e) The provision of life-long and continuing education, training and retraining facilities to meet the needs and aspirations of women;

(f) The development of modern rural technology, cottage industry, pre-school day-care centres, and time and energy saving devices to help reduce the heavy workload and increase the resources of women, par-

ticularly those living in rural sectors and the urban poor;

(g) The creation of new employment and income-producing opportunities for women and the expansion of existing employment opportunities, and elimination of discrimination in the terms and conditions of employment on grounds of sex;

(h) The establishment or strengthening of an interdisciplinary and multisectoral machinery by Governments for accelerating the achievement of equal opportunities for women and their full integration into national life;

(i) The establishment and enforcement of measures to facilitate the combination of family and work responsibilities;

(j) The provision and extension of comprehensive and continuous health and other social services to underprivileged urban and rural communities, including maternity and child-care services as well as family life education;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of the Committee on Review and Appraisal at its fourth session in May 1977, together with the relevant reports submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session and any information submitted subsequent to the preparation of those reports;

4. *Urges* the Committee on Review and Appraisal, in accordance with paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 3490 (XXX), to pay special attention to the question of the status of women and to take into account the above recommendations in the review and appraisal in 1977 of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in connexion with the next review and appraisal of the implementation of the World Plan of Action:

(a) To prepare, in consultation with the regional commissions, a questionnaire on the implementation of the World Plan of Action to be forwarded to Governments in 1977;

(b) To prepare a report on the basis of the replies to the questionnaire, taking into account information received subsequent to the preparation of the report of the Secretary-General,⁶⁶ for the consideration of the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session in January 1978;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To ensure as far as possible that, in 1979, the questionnaire relating to the implementation of the World Plan of Action shall be forwarded to Governments, together with the request for information relating to the review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy;

(b) To prepare a comprehensive report based on the replies to these questionnaires, for consideration by the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-eighth session and at the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980.

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2061 (LXII). Improvement of the data base for measuring the implementation of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3490 (XXX) of 12 December 1975, and paragraph 216 of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year,⁶⁷ which provide for the submission to the Economic and Social Council and its relevant functional commissions and advisory bodies, at their forthcoming sessions, *inter alia*, the Commission on the Status of Women and the Statistical Commission, of the decisions of the relevant United Nations organs, specialized agencies, regional commissions and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations,

Recalling also the provisions of paragraphs 167 to 170 of the World Plan of Action on the collection and analysis of relevant data,

Convinced of the need to build up a scientific and reliable data base and socio-economic indicators, in order to measure more accurately the implementation of the World Plan of Action,

Noting the action initiated by the Statistical Commission at its nineteenth session in November 1976 in planning for the 1980 World Population and Housing Census Programme⁶⁸ and efforts under way to encourage needed revisions in the basic concepts used for the collection and compilation of economic, demographic and social statistics so as to free them from sex-based stereotypes,

1. *Requests* the Statistical Commission at its twentieth session, as a contribution to the success of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, 1976-1985, to continue its action in co-operation with national statistical offices, regional commissions and intergovernmental organizations, organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies, especially the International Labour Organisation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, with a view to developing:

(a) Improved methods, including training of the necessary personnel, for the collection and tabulation of statistical data, particularly at the national, sub-regional and regional levels, to obtain breakdowns by sex for indicators such as urban/rural residence, age, marital status, literacy, education, income, level of skills and participation in modern and traditional economic activities, and relevant information on household and family composition;

(b) Guidelines and methods to assess the participation of women at all levels and in all sectors of planning and decision making in society;

(c) Guidelines and methods for the measurement of women's actual economic and social contributions

⁶⁷ Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Mexico City, 19 June-2 July 1975 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A.

⁶⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/5910)*, paras. 48 and 54 (a).

which are not a part of regular national data collection systems;

2. *Requests* the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development to co-operate with other relevant bodies within the United Nations system in preparing an inventory of social and economic indicators relevant to the analysis of the status of women, on the basis of its work on the research data bank of development indicators and its project on monitoring changes in the conditions of women for planning and programming purposes.

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2062 (LXII). Preparatory work for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering that the General Assembly, in its resolution 3520 (XXX) of 15 December 1975, decided to convene in 1980 a world conference of all States to review and evaluate the progress made in implementing the objectives of the International Women's Year and, where necessary, to readjust existing programmes in the light of new data and research available,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1999 (LX) of 12 May 1976, in which the Council requested the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session to consider different aspects of the preparatory work for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980, including its agenda, and decided to consider at its sixty-fourth session the preparatory work for the Conference on the basis of the deliberations of the Commission on the Status of Women and the Committee on Review and Appraisal,

Taking note of the recommendations made by the Commission on the Status of Women in its report on its twenty-sixth session,⁶⁹

1. *Request* the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session to give the highest priority to the consideration of the item entitled "Preparatory work for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980" and to the study of proposals concerning the substantive and organizational arrangements for the Conference, taking into account all the relevant reports relating to the review and appraisal of the implementation of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year,⁷⁰ as well as the discussions of the Commission and the documents submitted to it at its twenty-sixth session, and to report to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare for the consideration of the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-seventh session a report outlining a programme of concrete action for the second half of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, 1976-1985, as the basis for a report to be submitted to the 1980 World Conference;

⁶⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909), chap. III, sect. E.

⁷⁰ *Report of the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Mexico City, 19 June-2 July 1975* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.1), chap. II, sect. A.

3. *Decides* to establish, not later than June 1978, a preparatory committee composed of not more than twenty-three Member States designated by the President of the Economic and Social Council after consultation with regional groups, on the basis of equitable geographical distribution, to make recommendations concerning the substantive and organizational arrangements for the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980;

4. *Invites* the regional commissions to consider, at the earliest opportunity, ways and means of contributing effectively to the World Conference of the United Nations Decade for Women, 1980, including the possibility of holding before 1980 regional seminars or meetings on the themes of the Conference, and reporting thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session.

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2063 (LXII). Influence of the mass communication media on attitudes towards the roles of women and men in present-day society

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling section IV of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year,⁷⁰ which provides guidelines for national action related to the mass communication media that encompass radio, television, cinema, press, advertising, public meetings and similar forums, as well as traditional types of entertainment which are essential for reaching the rural areas of many countries,

Convinced that the mass communication media, in many instances, have a detrimental effect on the attitudes and values regarding women's roles in society, that they often present obstacles to desirable changes in behavioural patterns, and that they can perpetuate stereotypes and myths pertaining to women,

Convinced also that the mass communication media have great potential as a vehicle for economic and social change, for the dissemination of information in the fields of education and training, for removing prejudices and stereotypes, for accelerating acceptance of the expanding roles of women and for the promotion of their integration in development as equal partners with men, and that they are important for the achievement of equality, development and peace,

Recalling that, in the progress report of the Secretary-General on the subject⁷¹ prepared for the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-sixth session, it is stated that there is little information available on the images of women projected by the more traditional types of mass communication media and their influence on the perpetuation of sex-role stereotypes, and that there is need for research in this area,

1. *Encourages* Member States to make representatives of mass communication media aware of the importance of formulating policies and guidelines for treatment of women in the media, which should include:

(a) *Review* of their recruitment, training and promotion policies and practices to ensure that there is no discrimination against women and that they have equal opportunities for admission and advancement at all

⁷¹ E/CN.6/601 and Corr.1.

levels of professional, technical and decision-making positions in the mass communication media;

(b) Publication of more news and editorials about women, particularly about progress and short-comings in the economic, legal, social and political fields, such news to be given the place and the importance it deserves in the light of its subject-matter and not all of it to be placed in sections reserved for women;

(c) Portrayal of the roles and achievements of women from all walks of life, especially in the fields of development, professional work and social welfare, including women in the rural areas;

2. *Recommends* that Member States should encourage the presentation of programmes and the publication of materials which ensure the elimination of sex-role stereotyping in educational and informational activities and the projection of a positive image of men and women;

3. *Requests* that Member States take whatever action is necessary to establish and strengthen co-operative systems for schools and libraries in the production and dissemination of education and information materials for use by television, radio, press, mobile units, community centres and other public facilities in urban and rural areas;

4. *Recommends* that Member States should encourage educational institutions and organizations to make greater use of the mass communication media for formal and informal education, literacy programmes, vocational training, political, civic and cultural education, as well as the formation of new attitudes about the role of men and women in society;

5. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, with a view to rendering assistance to developing countries which request it, and with the advice of specialists of those countries, to organize seminars which can help countries in improving the image of women and removing stereotyped sex roles in their teaching materials, and to prepare educational materials, with the same objectives, including films and other visual aids for primary schools and literacy programmes;

6. *Suggests* that Member States create committees or councils, composed of men and women in private, governmental and intergovernmental sectors, to advise and meet with policy and decision-making staff of the mass communication media, including particularly the field of advertising, for discussions and evaluations of progress towards changing the image and status of women in the media;

7. *Encourages* governmental and the competent non-governmental organizations, especially in co-operation with those dealing with the mass communication media, to organize workshops and seminars intended to create a greater understanding and public awareness of the potential and actual role of women in their respective societies, and to utilize the mass communication media to project positive and more accurate images of women;

8. *Decides*, taking into account the close relationship between the economic, social and cultural aspects of development and the necessity of the full integration of women in the development process, to appoint a special rapporteur to prepare a study on the impact of the mass communication media on the changing roles of men and women, including action taken by the

public and private sectors at national, regional and international levels to remove prejudices and sex-role stereotyping, to accelerate the acceptance of women's new and expanded roles in society and to promote their integration into the development process as equal partners with men;

9. *Requests* the special rapporteur to submit a progress report to the Commission on the Status of Women, at its twenty-seventh session, and a comprehensive report containing findings, at its twenty-eighth session.

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2064 (LXII). Reduction of illicit demand for narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs on the study of measures to reduce illicit demand for drugs,⁷² of which the Commission on Narcotic Drugs took note at its twenty-seventh session,⁷³

Considering that efforts to combat addiction to the narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances covered by the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,⁷⁴ and by the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,⁷⁵ call for an attack on the problem at the three levels of demand, supply and illicit traffic,

Being of the opinion that the solutions to the problem of reducing demand are multiple, interdisciplinary and, very often, still at an experimental stage,

Convinced that progress can be achieved only through international and interagency co-operation at all levels,

1. *Expresses satisfaction* at the fact that the specialized agencies, in particular the World Health Organization, the International Labour Organisation and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, have co-operated in the preparatory work for the report of the Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs on the study of measures to reduce illicit demand for drugs;

2. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General should publish the report of the Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs and the papers referred to in paragraph 4 thereof, and should continue that study on the same lines as hitherto, in co-operation with the World Health Organization and the other specialized agencies concerned and with the financial assistance of the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control;

3. *Recommends also* that the publication envisaged in paragraph 2 above should include an introduction outlining the reservations of a technical nature which emerged from the statements of some delegations at the twenty-seventh session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

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⁷² E/CN.7/602 and Add.1.

⁷³ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5933 and Corr. 1 and 2)*, para. 48.

⁷⁴ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.XI.3.

⁷⁵ See *Official Records of the United Nations Conference for the adoption of a Protocol on Psychotropic Substances, vol. I (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.XI.3)*, part four.

2065 (LXII). Special attention to be devoted to African countries in preventing and combating abuse of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling resolution II adopted by the United Nations Conference to consider amendments to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,⁷⁶ in which the Conference states that the fulfilment by the developing countries of their obligations under the Convention will be facilitated by adequate technical and financial assistance from the international community,

Recognizing that many African countries, particularly those south of the Sahara, lack the resources to enable them to fulfil their obligations under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, and under the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,

Taking note of the efforts so far made by certain specialized bodies of the United Nations to prevent and combat drug abuse in some African countries,

Noting that despite these efforts the actual situation in the field with regard to drug abuse is beginning to show undeniable signs of gravity,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General to ensure that the various specialized bodies of the United Nations and the specialized agencies shall devote special attention to the African countries, particularly those south of the Sahara, and assign to them some measure of priority in their programmes designed to combat narcotic drug abuse, particularly in such fields as epidemiological and sociological surveys, technical assistance, personnel training, regional seminars, regional co-operation, treatment, social rehabilitation and reintegration, information and education and crop replacement;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its twenty-eighth session on the measures taken or planned.

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2066 (LXII). Co-ordination of technical and financial assistance in areas of illicit production of narcotic raw materials

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling paragraph 4 of its resolution 1559 (XLIX) of 11 November 1970,

Recognizing the importance of economic and social measures in the struggle against drug abuse,

Convinced that projects concerned with providing farmers and others dependent on the illicit cultivation of narcotic plants with alternative economic and social opportunities can make, as part of a national development programme including control measures, an important contribution to the progressive elimination of such dependence and can help to meet countries' own

⁷⁶ See *Official Records of the United Nations Conference to consider amendments to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961*, vol. I (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.XI.7), part three, Final Act, annex.

economic and social needs, as well as the world demand for food,

Convinced that narcotics-related projects, including projects developed on a pilot basis and aimed at replacing such illicit cultivation of raw materials by alternative economic opportunities, if acceptable on their economic merit to the multilateral institutions, could generate supplementary assistance for national economic and social development programmes of the Governments concerned and help to meet obligations under the international drug control treaties,

1. *Urges* the Governments concerned with crop replacement projects to take into account the strong desirability of including such projects as referred to above as additional and integrated components in their development programmes when applying for technical or financial assistance or both from multilateral institutions for the realization of those projects;

2. *Invites* all Governments, the competent United Nations organs and organizations, the specialized agencies and other international or multilateral financial institutions, when considering applications for development assistance from Governments concerned in the progressive elimination of such illicit cultivation, to give special attention, to the extent feasible, to such programmes and projects;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit the text of the present resolution to all Governments, to the executive heads of the United Nations bodies and agencies concerned, including the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the World Food Programme, the World Bank and other international or multilateral financial institutions engaged in development assistance.

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2067 (LXII). Restriction of the cultivation of the poppy

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling recommendation 1 (XXVII) on restriction of the cultivation of the poppy,⁷⁷ adopted by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its twenty-seventh session,

1. *Endorses* recommendation 1 (XXVII) of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to transmit to all Governments the opinions and proposals submitted during the debate on these issues at the twenty-seventh session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the sixty-second session of the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Invites* Member States to submit, through the Secretary-General, comments on this issue to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its seventy-eighth session and to the International Narcotics Control Board.

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⁷⁷ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5933 and Corr. 1 and 2)*, chap. XVI, sect. C.

2068 (LXII). Report of the International Narcotics Control Board

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the International Narcotics Control Board on its work in 1976,⁷⁸

Recalling its resolution 2000 (LX) of 12 May 1976,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the members of the International Narcotics Control Board for their distinguished service in international drug control;

2. Expresses its appreciation, in particular, of the service of those members whose terms of office expired during 1977, and of the outstanding contribution rendered by M. J. Dittert, who has retired after forty years' service to the Board, the last ten years as its Secretary;

3. Commends the Board for its comprehensive and valuable report on its work in 1976;

4. Recommends that report to the urgent attention of all Member States.

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2069 (LXII). Implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development

The Economic and Social Council

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

"The General Assembly,

"Reaffirming the importance of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, for the formulation and implementation of national policies and measures conducive to rapid social and economic progress,

"Recalling its resolution 2543 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 on the implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development and other United Nations documents bearing on socio-economic development, in particular the Declaration on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, contained in General Assembly resolution 3201 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, contained in General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974,

"Convinced that in conformity with the Declaration on Social Progress and Development the primary task of all States and international organizations is to eliminate all obstacles to social progress, in particular such evils as inequality, exploitation, war, colonialism and racism,

"Conscious of the fact that further social development contributes to peaceful coexistence, détente and the strengthening of international peace and security,

"Recalling that 1979 will mark the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development,

"1. Urges all Governments to take due account of their ultimate responsibility of ensuring the social progress and the well-being of their people, *inter alia* by adhering to the principles espoused in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development;

"2. Recommends that international organizations and agencies concerned with development should continue to consider the Declaration on Social Progress and Development as an important international document in the formulation of strategies and programmes designed to achieve social progress and development;

"3. Decides, in order to mark the tenth anniversary of the Declaration, to include in the agenda of its thirty-fourth session a separate item entitled 'Implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development';

"4. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare and submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session, through the Commission for Social Development and the Economic and Social Council, essentially from the information already available, a comprehensive report in lieu of an annex to the 1978 Report on the World Social Situation as provided for in General Assembly resolution 2543 (XXIV), on the implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development in the period 1969-1979 by Governments, international organizations and agencies concerned with development."

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2070 (LXII). Mobilization of national resources

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering the mobilization of national resources as an important factor in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress,

Mindful of article 16 of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, in which it is stated that social progress and development in countries require:

(a) Maximum mobilization of all national resources and their rational and efficient utilization; promotion of increased and accelerated productive investment in social and economic fields and of employment; orientation of society towards the development process,

(b) Progressively increasing provision of the necessary budgetary and other resources required for financing the social aspects of development,

(c) Achievement of equitable distribution of national income, utilizing, *inter alia*, the fiscal system and government spending as an instrument for the equitable distribution and redistribution of income in order to promote social progress,

(d) The adoption of measures aimed at prevention of such an outflow of capital from developing countries as would be detrimental to their economic and social development,

Recalling its resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966, in which it called upon the Commission for Social Development, *inter alia*, to pay particular attention to the question of mobilizing national resources,

1. Decides to include in the agenda of the twenty-sixth session of the Commission for Social Development a separate item entitled "Mobilization of national re-

⁷⁸ E/INCB/33 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.XI.2).

sources for purposes of social progress and development”;

2. *Requests* Member States to give particular attention in reports submitted in accordance with General Assembly resolution 31/38 of 30 November 1976 to information on the question of mobilizing national resources for purposes of social progress and development;

3. *Invites* Member States to prepare monographs on national experience in mobilizing national resources for purposes of social progress and development for consideration by the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session.

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2071 (LXII). Unified approach to development analysis and planning

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 3409 (XXX) of 28 November 1975 on a unified approach to development analysis and planning and Economic and Social Council decision 162 (LXI) of 3 August 1976 on suggestions for pilot projects on the practical application of a unified approach to development analysis and planning,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the application by Governments of a unified approach to development analysis and planning,⁷⁹

Noting with concern that only a limited number of countries replied to the aide-mémoire sent by the Secretary-General on a unified approach,

Recognizing that development planning is a continuing process within which evaluation of results achieved is a matter of high priority,

1. *Urges* Member States to continue to carry out a periodic evaluation of the social results of their development planning;

2. *Further urges* Member States to inform the Secretary-General of their progress in implementing social aspects of national development plans, in particular of measures taken and results achieved or expected, especially in connexion with the review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, contained in General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General and the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, in carrying out projects on a unified approach to development analysis and planning, to take the information supplied by Governments into account and to focus on specific developmental issues, such as the distribution of income, consumption and services, employment and popular participation in the development effort.

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2072 (LXII). Co-ordination of the results of the world conferences in the field of social development in the 1970s

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, containing the International De-

velopment Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recalling also the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order contained in General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States contained in General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, and General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling further the results achieved at the major conferences of the United Nations and the specialized agencies held during the current decade on world economic and social problems,

Noting its resolution 1927 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975 on the implementation of the International Development Strategy, in which it reaffirmed the importance of the role of the Commission for Social Development especially as regards the final review and appraisal of the Strategy and the importance of including social aspects of development in a strategy for the 1980s,

Noting also General Assembly resolution 31/182 of 21 December 1976 on preparations for a new international development strategy,

Mindful of the general consensus on the importance of a unified approach to development analysis and planning,

Mindful also of the need to incorporate the social aspects of development in the formulation of a new international development strategy, taking fully into account the resolutions on the establishment of the new international economic order,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the Committee for Development Planning and of the intergovernmental bodies responsible for the formulation of a new international development strategy the declarations, recommendations and resolutions on the establishment of the new international economic order of the General Assembly and of world conferences such as the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, the World Population Conference, the World Food Conference, the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the World Conference of the International Women's Year, Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, the fourth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Tripartite World Conference on Employment, Income Distribution, Social Progress and the International Division of Labour, and the United Nations Water Conference;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to analyse systematically the declarations, recommendations, resolutions and plans of action of the conferences mentioned in paragraph 1 above by identifying and consolidating their common elements, seen in the context of social development and relevant to the formulation of a new international development strategy;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit the results of such work to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session in the report to be submitted in pursuance of Assembly resolution 31/182.

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⁷⁹ E/CN.5/540.

2073 (LXII). Social and institutional reform as a means of increasing domestic food production and distributing it equitably among the population

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order contained in General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States contained in General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, as well as General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII), of 16 September 1975, on development and international economic co-operation, in section V, paragraph 3, of which the Assembly stated that particular attention should be given to improvement in the systems of distribution of food-stuffs,

Noting with concern that food production is not keeping up with the growth of demand in developing countries,

Mindful that the problem of balancing food demand and supply can be solved by, *inter alia*, raising production levels in the developing countries, finding more equitable ways of distributing food and implementing various resolutions on this subject adopted by the World Food Conference,⁸⁰

Mindful also that to this end it will be necessary to bring about social and institutional changes to accelerate food production and to distribute it equitably among the population, including democratic agrarian reform, as recommended in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, and in other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council,

1. *Recommends* to Member States:

(a) In formulating development strategies, policies and measures, to give attention not only to the production but also to the distribution of food, and to conceive plans and programmes in these areas as interrelated aspects of a single comprehensive system in each country;

(b) To give due priority to the collection of information on the food needs of various population groups, and to an in-depth study of damage caused by deficient nutrition, as a means of formulating strategies for major groups;

(c) To assign high priority to rural development, including land reform, as appropriate, in order to increase agricultural production, ensure an adequate food supply and its equitable distribution among the population, and achieve greater impact of the essential inputs, including social services and infrastructure, on food production in rural communities;

(d) To strengthen the institutional framework in developing countries so as to build up national capacity to mobilize local resources and directly to ensure the participation of small farmers in food production;

(e) To mobilize women and youth more effectively into rural development and food production efforts by

providing special programmes for their organization, training and participation;

(f) To improve action research jointly among agricultural and social scientists in order to design more effective programmes at the community and area levels, particularly in linking social and cultural change with the introduction of better agricultural technologies, incentives and planning at the grass-roots level;

(g) To provide increased resources for education and training at the grass-roots level, including special techniques of non-formal or multiplier training of farmers, women and youth to accelerate their collaboration in food production and nutrition;

(h) To create specialized planning teams in national planning organizations to prepare strategies and reform measures for national food systems, including aspects of production, distribution and consumption in terms of costs and benefits for the society as a whole;

(i) To take immediate action for the implementation of the resolutions adopted by the World Food Conference and thus assist the developing countries in their efforts to increase food production;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Bank to assist Governments, upon their request, in preparing and implementing such strategies, policies and measures;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To review, in collaboration with the relevant specialized agencies and organs of the United Nations system, the experiences of Member States in promoting increased food production and ensuring a more equitable distribution of food among the population;

(b) To collaborate with the United Nations system in documenting and disseminating information on social and institutional reforms and other innovative approaches and programmes designed to increase food production and distribute it equitably among the population;

(c) To keep the Commission for Social Development and the World Food Council informed, as appropriate, of progress being made in this regard and to bring to the attention of the Commission, in particular, relevant policies and programmes adopted by Member States which could usefully be disseminated through it to other Member States;

4. *Decides* to bring to the attention of the General Assembly at its thirty-second session the joint report of the secretariats of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Bank on social and institutional reforms as a means of increasing food production and distributing it equitably among the population.⁸¹

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2074 (LXII). Distribution of national income

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1086 D (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965 and 1322 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968, concerning the distribution of national income,

⁸¹ E/CN.5/537.

⁸⁰ See *Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. II.

Recalling also the Declaration on Social Progress and Development contained in General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, contained in General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, contained in General Assembly resolution 3201 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974 and the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, contained in General Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974,

Being concerned about poverty, inequality, social injustice, unemployment and the underemployment which still exist in many countries,

Considering that an equitable distribution of national income contributes to social justice and economic development, in particular eradication of poverty the causes of which may be assessed in a variety of ways,

Believing that close attention should be devoted to these issues,

1. Expresses its appreciation of the efforts of the Commission for Social Development and of the Expert Group on Levels of Living, Equity and the Distribution of Social Consumption in Developing Countries;

2. Requests the Commission for Social Development to continue its activities on issues related to the distribution of national income, in particular on income tax reforms and other tax reforms, the role of trade unions and the effects of inflation on low-income groups;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a note for the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session containing all available information on the effects of inflation on low-income groups;

4. Invites the Secretary-General to submit a report through the Economic and Social Council to the General Assembly at its thirty-third session on the findings of various specialized agencies and organs of the United Nations system, relating to the distribution of national income;

5. Requests the General Assembly to include as a one-time measure an item entitled "Importance of the equitable distribution of national income for economic and social development" in the agenda of its thirty-third session.

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2075 (LXII). Report of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on its fourth session

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-fifth session,⁸² in so far as it concerns the report of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on its fourth session,⁸³

1. Submits to the General Assembly draft resolutions I, II and III of the Committee on Crime Pre-

⁸² Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5915).

⁸³ E/CN.5/536.

vention and Control, reproduced in the annex to the present resolution;

2. Endorses the recommendations made by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control in its report under the heading "Human rights in the administration of justice";⁸⁴

3. Recommends that the Secretary-General, in the formulation of future work programmes of the United Nations, should give urgent consideration to sub-items (a), (b) and (d) of the recommendations made by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control in its report under the heading "Role and function of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control".⁸⁴

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ANNEX

Draft resolutions adopted by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control

I

Report of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

The General Assembly,

Conscious of the seriousness of crime problems, which have assumed new forms and dimensions in many countries of the world and are transcending national boundaries,

Concerned about the high social and material cost which crime exacts and the impediment it presents to more wholesome development and a better quality of life for all,

Alarmed at the excesses of those crime control policies which, in certain countries, extend to torture and other abuses negating the basic principles of human rights and of criminal justice itself,

Reaffirming the need to develop effective and equitable policies for crime prevention and control consonant with fundamental human rights and a more rational use of available resources, both human and material,

Recognizing that the various forms of social control for the prevention of crime should take into account differences in traditions, economic and political structures, available resources and levels of development existing among Member States,

Recalling the responsibility assumed by the United Nations in the field of crime prevention in General Assembly resolution 415 (V) of 1 December 1950, the affirmation of United Nations leadership in crime prevention as reflected in Economic and Social Council resolutions 731 F (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959 and 830 D (XXXII) of 2 August 1961 and the call for strengthening international co-operation in crime prevention contained in General Assembly resolution 3021 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972,

Having considered the Report of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders,^a held at Geneva from 1 to 12 September 1975, and the recommendations made by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control at its fourth session,^b

1. Endorses the conclusions of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders;

2. Requests that, in the light of the needs emphasized at the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, the Secretary-General implement to the fullest extent possible the conclusions of the Fifth Congress, especially by:

^a United Nations publication, Sales No. E.76.IV.2.

^b E/CN.5/536, chap. I, sect. B.

⁸⁴ *Ibid.*, chap. I, sect. B.

(a) Giving them the widest possible circulation and dissemination and by stimulating international efforts to exchange experience and knowledge;

(b) Gathering and disseminating information concerning crime trends and criminal policies, with special emphasis on economic criminality and abuses of economic power that have a detrimental effect on national economies and international trade, and developing strategies to deal with them;

(c) Providing, to Member States requesting them, advice and assistance for the re-evaluation of their criminal justice systems and for reassessment of the purposes as well as the effectiveness of such systems in relation to national and local requirements;

(d) Elaborating guidelines for the development and implementation of policies designed to make criminal justice systems more responsive to current social needs, to ensure the strict observance of fundamental human rights and to promote a more rational, consistent and integrated approach to the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders;

(e) Fostering the exchange among countries of information relating to crime and to the functioning of the criminal justice systems and establishing an international system for a unified informational data base;

(f) Transmitting for appropriate action to the Economic and Social Council and its functional commissions, as well as to all other United Nations organs and organizations concerned, those conclusions of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders that fall within their spheres of competence;

3. *Stresses* the need for intensive co-operation and coordination in crime prevention and control among all the United Nations organs and organizations concerned, especially the United Nations Development Programme, the various regional commissions and institutes and the specialized agencies;

4. *Urges* that technical assistance in crime prevention and control be made available to Governments requesting it as a matter of urgency, and that high priority be given to the provision of regional and interregional technical advisory services and co-operation, particularly in the light of recent directives of the policy-making bodies of the United Nations focusing on regional and intercountry activities, and the proven success of this approach to crime prevention;

5. *Invites* Member States to give maximum attention and support to the conclusions of the Fifth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders and to secure their utmost effect on national laws and practices;

6. *Draws the attention* of Member States to the existence of the United Nations Trust Fund for Social Defence, established in pursuance of Economic and Social Council resolution 1086 B (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965, and urges them to contribute to it;

7. *Appeals* to all Member States to support international action for crime prevention, especially through the sharing of costs of international meetings, seminars, workshops and training courses and by acting as hosts to regional research centres, and to furnish to the Secretary-General, in time for submission to the Sixth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, to be held at Sydney in 1980, information relating to the measures taken to implement the conclusions of the Fifth Congress;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures for the preparation of the Sixth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders and to prepare a report on the information received under paragraph 7 above for submission to the Sixth Congress and to the General Assembly.

II

Methods and ways likely to be most effective in preventing crime and improving the treatment of offenders

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3021 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, in which it instructed the Committee on Crime Pre-

vention and Control to consider the methods and ways likely to be most effective in preventing crime and improving the treatment of offenders, including recommendations on the measures most appropriate in such areas as law enforcement, judicial procedures and correctional practices,

Concerned about the prevailing trends of criminality in many countries of the world, which show the spread of emerging new forms of serious and organized crimes,

Having considered the report entitled "Methods and ways likely to be most effective in preventing crime and improving the treatment of offenders", contained in annex IV to the report of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on its fourth session,^c

1. *Takes note* of the above-mentioned report as a guideline for future United Nations activities directed towards the prevention and control of crime and delinquency and the treatment of offenders;

2. *Invites* Member States to make use of the report in formulating and implementing national crime prevention policies and strategies;

3. *Calls upon* Member States, as well as international governmental and non-governmental organizations and specialized agencies, to collaborate fully with the United Nations Secretariat and with each other in pursuance of the goals set out in the report;

4. *Urges* all Member States, as well as international governmental and non-governmental organizations, to support the United Nations Trust Fund for Social Defence and the international and regional institutes in crime prevention and control;

5. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General should draw on the report in formulating proposals for future medium-term plans in crime prevention and criminal justice.

III

Code of conduct for law enforcement officials

The General Assembly,

Considering that, in accordance with the principles proclaimed in the Charter of the United Nations, recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world,

Recalling, in particular, the rights and freedoms proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights^d and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,^e

Recalling also the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, adopted in its resolution 3452 (XXX) of 9 December 1975,

Recalling further paragraph 3 of its resolution 3453 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, in which it requested the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control to elaborate a draft code of conduct for law enforcement officials,

Mindful that the nature of the functions of law enforcement and the manner in which these are exercised have a direct impact on the quality of life of individuals as well as of society as a whole,

Conscious of the difficult task which law enforcement officials are performing conscientiously and with dignity, in compliance with the principles of human rights,

Aware, nevertheless, of the potential of abuse which the exercise of such awesome duties entails,

Recognizing that the establishment of a code of conduct for law enforcement officials is only one of several important measures for providing the citizenry served by law enforcement officials with protection of all their rights and interests.

^c E/CN.5/536.

^d General Assembly resolution 217 A (III).

^e General Assembly resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

Aware that there are additional important principles and prerequisites for the humane performance of law enforcement functions, namely:

(a) That, like all agencies of the criminal justice system, every law enforcement agency should be representative of and responsive and accountable to the community as a whole,

(b) That the effective maintenance of ethical standards among law enforcement officials depends on the existence of a well-conceived, popularly accepted and humane system of laws,

(c) That every law enforcement official is part of the criminal justice system, the aim of which is to prevent and control crime, and that the conduct of every functionary within the system has an impact on the entire system.

(d) That every law enforcement agency, in fulfilment of the first premise of every profession, should be held to the duty of disciplining itself in complete conformity with the principles and standards herein provided and that the actions of law enforcement officials should be responsive to public scrutiny, whether exercised by a review board, a ministry, a procuracy, the judiciary, an ombudsman, a citizens' committee, or any combination thereof, or any other reviewing agency,

(e) That standards as such remain moot unless their content and meaning, through education and training, and through monitoring, become part of the creed of every law enforcement official,

Adopts the Code of Conduct for Law Enforcement Officials below, drafted by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control at its fourth session to serve as a body of principles for observance by law enforcement officials of all nations:

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

Article 1

Law enforcement officials must at all times fulfil the duty imposed upon them by law, by serving the community and by protecting all persons against illegal acts, consistent with the high degree of responsibility required by their profession.

Commentary:

(a) The term law enforcement official includes all officers of the law, whether appointed or elected, who exercise police powers, especially the powers of arrest and detention;

(b) In countries where police powers are exercised by military authorities, whether uniformed or not, or by state security forces, the definition of law enforcement officials shall be regarded as including officers of such services;

(c) Service to the community is intended to include particularly the rendition of services of assistance to those members of the community who by reason of personal, economic, social or other emergencies are in need of immediate aid;

(d) This provision is intended to cover not only all violent, predatory and harmful acts, but extends to the full range of prohibitions under penal statutes. It extends to conduct by persons not capable of incurring criminal liability.

Article 2

In the performance of their duty, law enforcement officials should respect and protect human dignity and maintain and uphold the human rights of all persons.

Commentary:

(a) The human rights in question derive from national and international law. The human rights under international law are guaranteed under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, the

United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of *Apartheid*, the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners, the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, and other international instruments;

(b) National commentaries to this provision should identify regional or national provisions identifying these rights.

Article 3

Law enforcement officials may never use more force than necessary in the performance of their duty.

Commentary:

(a) This provision emphasizes that the use of force by law enforcement officials should be exceptional;

(b) While it implies that law enforcement officials may be authorized to use such force as is reasonable under the circumstances for the prevention of crime or in effecting or assisting in the lawful arrest of offenders or suspected offenders, any force used beyond what is essential for these purposes is not tolerable;

(c) National law ordinarily restricts the use of force by law enforcement officials in accordance with a principle of proportionality. It is to be understood that such national principles of proportionality are to be respected in the interpretation of this provision. In no case, however, should this provision be interpreted to authorize the use of force which is disproportionate to the legitimate objective to be achieved.

Article 4

Matters of a confidential nature in the possession of law enforcement officials should be kept confidential, unless the performance of duty, or the needs of justice, require otherwise.

Commentary:

By the nature of their duties, law enforcement officials obtain information which may be potentially harmful to the interests, and especially the reputation, of others. By law, such information can be utilized only for the conduct of legal proceedings. Any divulgence not made in the performance of duty and not serving the needs of justice is improper.

Article 5

No law enforcement official may inflict, instigate or tolerate any act of torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, nor may any law enforcement official invoke exceptional circumstances such as a state of war or a threat of war, internal political instability or any other public emergency as a justification of torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Commentary:

(a) This prohibition derives from the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment adopted by the General Assembly, according to which:

"[Such acts] are an offence to human dignity and shall be condemned as a denial of the purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and as a violation of the human rights and fundamental freedoms proclaimed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights [and other international human rights instruments]";

(b) The Declaration defines torture as follows:

"...torture means any act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted by or at the instigation of a public official on a person for such purposes as obtaining from him or a third person information or confession, punishing him

for an act he has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating him or other persons. It does not include pain or suffering arising only from, inherent in or incidental to, lawful sanctions to the extent consistent with the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners”;

(c) The terms “cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment” have not been defined by the General Assembly, but should be interpreted to extend the widest possible protection against abuses, whether physical or mental;

(d) The provision is intended to cover all persons who are in any way involved in conduct covered by this provision.

Article 6

Law enforcement officials having custody of persons needing medical attention should secure such attention and take immediate action to meet the needs of the person in custody.

Commentary:

(a) “Medical attention” refers to services rendered by any medical personnel, including certified medical practitioners and paramedics. While in practice the medical personnel referred to is likely to be attached to the law enforcement operation, the provision should be understood to require law enforcement officials to take into account the judgement of medical personnel from outside the law enforcement operation. This envisages that the person in question has access to medical attention from other medical personnel, including that person’s own physician;

(b) All medical personnel must act in conformity with principles of medical ethics.

Article 7

Law enforcement officials must refrain from and rigorously oppose and pursue all acts of corruption.

Commentary:

(a) Corruption is intolerable in all phases of life, particularly in the public service agencies. Governments cannot expect to enforce the law among their citizens if they cannot, or will not, enforce their law against their own agents and within their own agencies;

(b) While the definition of corruption must be subject to national law, it should be understood to encompass the commission or omission of an act in the performance of or in connexion with one’s duties, in response to gifts, promises or incentives demanded or accepted, or the wrongful receipt of these once the act has been committed or omitted.

Article 8

Law enforcement officials must refrain from and prevent and rigorously oppose all violations of this code by taking appropriate action, to the best of their capability. When violations have occurred, or can be expected to occur, law enforcement officials should report the matter within the chain of command, or take such other actions as are lawfully open to them, including, when necessary, the reporting to any agency with reviewing or remedial power.

Commentary:

(a) The provision seeks to preserve the balance between the need for internal discipline of the agency on which the public safety is largely dependent, on the one hand, and the need for dealing with violations of basic human rights, on the other. A law enforcement official should report violations within the chain of command and take legal action outside the chain of command only when no other remedies are available;

(b) The term “agency with reviewing or remedial power” refers to any agency existing under national law, whether internal to the law enforcement agency, or independent thereof, with statutory, customary or other power to review

grievances and complaints arising out of violations within the purview of this code;

(c) While in most countries such agencies are statutory bodies, in some countries the mass media may be regarded as performing similar complaint review functions so that a law enforcement official, on his own initiative, may be justified in bringing his report to public attention by such means, as a last resort, consistent with the laws and customs of the country in question.

Article 9

A law enforcement official who, in fulfilling the obligation of this code, erroneously exceeds the limits of law despite honest and conscientious assessment, is entitled to the full protection afforded by national law.

Article 10

A law enforcement official who complies with the provisions of this code deserves the respect, the full support and the collaboration of the community and of the law enforcement agency in which that official serves, as well as the support of the law enforcement profession.

2076 (LXII). Extension of the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners to persons arrested or imprisoned without charge

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 663 C (XXIV) of 31 July 1957 and General Assembly resolution 3144 B (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 3218 (XXIX) of 6 November 1974 and the Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Being Subjected to Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment annexed to General Assembly resolution 3452 (XXX) of 9 December 1975,

Aware that despite the increase in the influence of the *Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners*,⁸⁵ violations of the Rules are frequently occurring,

Recalling that in paragraph 6 of its resolution 1993 (LX) of 12 May 1976, the Economic and Social Council requested the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control to study the range of application of the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners and to formulate a set of implementing procedures for these Rules,

Having considered the report of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on its fourth session,⁸⁶ as well as the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-fifth session,⁸⁷

Decides that a new section E, entitled “Persons arrested or imprisoned without charge” should be added to part II of the *Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners*, reading as follows:

“Rule 95

“Without prejudice to the provisions of article 9 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, persons arrested or imprisoned without charge shall be accorded the same protection as that ac-

⁸⁵ *First United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders: report by the Secretariat* (United Nations publication, Sales No. 1956.IV.4), annex I.A.

⁸⁶ E/CN.5/536.

⁸⁷ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5915).*

corded under part I and part II, section C. Relevant provisions of part II, section A, shall likewise be applicable where their application may be conducive to the benefit of this special group of persons in custody, provided that no measures shall be taken implying that re-education or rehabilitation is in any way appropriate to persons not convicted of any criminal offence.”

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2077 (LXII). The elderly: progress report on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 3137 (XXVIII) of 14 December 1973

The Economic and Social Council,

Having taken note of the progress report of the Secretary-General on the question of the elderly and the aged,⁸⁸

1. *Approves* the report of the Secretary-General;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to pursue, expand and consolidate his work on the status of the elderly, particularly with regard to research and exchanges of information, taking into account the views expressed during the debates which took place on the question at the twenty-fifth session of the Commission for Social Development.

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2078 (LXII). Youth in the contemporary world

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the many previous resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on youth,

Wishing to improve and co-ordinate the efforts of the United Nations with regard to the participation of youth in achieving the objectives of the Charter of the United Nations,

Convinced of the imperative need to direct the energies, enthusiasm and creative abilities of young people to the task of nation building, to the economic, social and cultural advancement of peoples, the preservation of world peace, the protection and promotion of human rights and the promotion of international co-operation and understanding,

Aware of the continuing need to educate youth in the spirit of the ideals of peace, mutual respect and understanding between peoples and to foster among the young respect for all peoples, irrespective of nationality, race, sex or religion, regard for human values and devotion to the ideals of peace, freedom and progress and to the cause of human rights,

Bearing in mind the valuable contribution that youth can make to the evolution of co-operation among States on the basis of equality and justice and to the ushering in of a new international economic order,

Noting the views on the subject of youth expressed in the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-fifth session,⁸⁹

⁸⁸ E/CN.5/531.

⁸⁹ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5915)*, chap. IX.

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the course of preparing the reports and documents called for in General Assembly resolutions 31/129 and 31/130 of 16 December 1976, to submit to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-sixth session, proposals for action-oriented guidelines which would help to identify the particular policies and actions required at national and international levels to bring about more effective and widespread youth participation;

2. *Requests also* the Secretary-General, in order to give effect to a co-ordinated and practical approach to youth policies and programmes, to establish an inter-agency task force drawn from the Secretariat of the United Nations and the specialized agencies directly concerned with youth policies and programmes, and to report on the work of this task force to the General Assembly, through the Economic and Social Council;

3. *Requests further* the Secretary-General, in recruitment, to give consideration to increasing the proportion of staff members in the Professional category of the United Nations Secretariat under the age of 30, without prejudice to the principle of equitable geographical distribution;

4. *Decides* to bring to the attention of the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-fourth session the reports of the Secretary-General on popular participation, women, youth and children⁹⁰ and on problems facing youth;⁹¹

5. *Recommends* to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session the adoption of the guidelines for the improvement of the channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations contained in the annex to the present resolution.

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ANNEX

Guidelines for the improvement of the channels of communication between the United Nations and youth and youth organizations

A. National

1. The Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme should be requested to continue exploring, in consultation with the Government concerned, ways to involve youth organizations in development activities of the United Nations at the national level.

2. The United Nations Office of Public Information should continue to work in close co-operation with the Joint United Nations Information Committee to provide information on the issues on which the United Nations is working in such a way as to attract young people, at the national level, and interest them in the ideals and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

3. Bearing in mind proposals contained in his note on the role of youth in the promotion and protection of human rights,^a the Secretary-General should explore, in consultation with Governments, the feasibility of identifying a national liaison and focal point on youth within each country, taking into consideration the networks of national correspondents which have been set up to facilitate communication between countries and with the United Nations in allied fields of social development.

^a E/CN.5/528 and Corr.1.

⁹⁰ E/CN.5/549.

⁹¹ E/CN.5/534.

B. Regional

The regional commissions should be requested to pay special attention to the question of active participation of youth in the process of national development and to consider at their forthcoming sessions appropriate forms in which regional commissions can assist Governments in this field and establish contacts with youth and youth organizations.

C. International

1. The scope of the quarterly *Youth Information Bulletin* should be extended and it should be published in French and Spanish in addition to English, within the existing budgetary allocations. Both governmental and non-governmental bodies dealing with youth should be encouraged to provide material for dissemination through the Bulletin and to assist in its distribution so that it may be made available to as many young people and youth organizations as possible.

2. The work of the United Nations Office of Public Information and the Centre for Economic and Social Information in the creation of suitable radio and television programmes about the United Nations and its activities should be intensified, within their existing budgetary allocations.

3. The Secretary-General may continue to utilize the existing channels of communication between the United Nations and international and regional non-governmental youth organizations.

2079 (LXII). Reinforcing the social development sector within the United Nations

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966 in which it adopted the present mandate and present designation of the Commission for Social Development,

Bearing in mind that the *Ad Hoc* Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975, is considering various proposals relating, *inter alia*, to the institutional and structural machinery for dealing with social development activities within the United Nations,

Desiring to ensure that the social development sector within the United Nations shall be accorded, on a continuing basis, the high priority it deserves considering the gravity and urgency of the problems in this sector,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 31/182 of 21 December 1976 on preparations for a new international development strategy,

Mindful of the need to incorporate the social aspects of development in the formulation of a new international development strategy, taking fully into account the resolutions on the establishment of the new international economic order,

1. *Recommends* that the President of the Economic and Social Council should appoint an *ad hoc* working group composed of ten experts from Member States, taking into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution, to study, bearing in mind the work under way on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system, and to make appropriate recommendations for improvement, *inter alia*, with regard to:

(a) The operational effectiveness of social development activities within the United Nations;

(b) The effectiveness of existing United Nations co-ordination machinery with respect to such activities;

(c) The future role of the social development component within the United Nations with a view to strengthening the social development input in the preparation of a new development strategy;

2. *Recommends also* that the Secretary-General should transmit the report of the working group to the members of the Commission for Social Development for comments and that the report, together with those comments, should be submitted to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-fourth session taking into account the decision of the General Assembly at its thirty-second session on the subject of preparations for a new international development strategy;

3. *Recommends* that the Commission for Social Development, at its twenty-sixth session, should give the report of the working group priority consideration in its agenda.

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2080 (LXII). Training for social development

The Economic and Social Council,

Bearing in mind that many of the objectives defined in its resolutions and those of the Commission for Social Development concerning such topics of social development as programmes and policies for youth, the improvement of the situation of the aged and the disabled, the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders and, in general, the promotion of the developmental objectives of social welfare, depend for their successful realization not only on material resources but also on the skills and capacities of those responsible for planning and implementing, administratively and practically, national social welfare programmes,

Conscious that such skills and capacities can be elicited, stimulated and improved by training suitably adapted to the level and type of workers involved, including in particular para-professional workers and volunteer workers required to provide services on the scale needed in many developing countries,

Aware that the shortage of workers with the necessary levels of knowledge and skill still constitutes a major constraint to the successful accomplishment of social welfare programmes in many countries,

Welcoming the proposals for training contained in the programme objectives for the period 1978-1981, in particular the improvement of training opportunities for youth workers and the studies leading to the production of a report on innovative approaches to the training of trainers, supervisors and field workers in social welfare,

1. *Calls upon* Governments, professional institutions and associations and other non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts in the field of training for social development;

2. *Invites* Governments and intergovernmental and other bodies which are in a position to provide financial and material assistance for such purposes, to provide support for the establishment, maintenance and expansion of research and training centres for social development at the regional level, especially in those regions which do not yet have them;

3. *Urges* all regional training centres in social development established in collaboration with the United

Nations to co-operate closely with other intergovernmental, regional and national training centres which may exist in their regions in the training of higher level manpower so that the latter may in turn train front-line workers in national institutions;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, within the series of periodic international surveys of training for social development, a survey of training issues directly related to the objectives of social welfare.

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2081 (LXII). Resources for international drug control

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the discussions which took place at the twenty-sixth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs⁹² and General Assembly resolution 3445 (XXX) of 9 December 1975, on adequate priority for narcotics control, as well as General Assembly resolution 31/125 of 16 December 1976, on accession to and implementation of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,⁹³

1. *Observes* that the arguments previously put forward are still valid and in particular that they have become even more cogent in view of the recent entry into force of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances;

2. *Recommends* that the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the General Assembly should ensure that the necessary resources shall be allocated under the regular budget of the United Nations for international drug control, bearing in mind the importance of this programme.

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2082 (LXII). Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on southern Africa

A

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,⁹⁴

1. *Approves* the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts;

2. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts for the work it has carried out;

3. *Decides* that the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts, in conjunction with the Special Committee against Apartheid, should examine the treatment of prisoners in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe, including the deaths of a number of detainees, as well as police brutality during peaceful demonstrations

⁹² See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 5 (E/5639)*.

⁹³ See *Official Records of the United Nations Conference for the adoption of a Protocol on Psychotropic Substances*, vol. I (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.73.XI.3), part four.

⁹⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927)*, chap. XXI, sect. A.

against *apartheid* in South Africa since the Soweto massacre of 16 June 1976, with a view to submitting a report;

4. *Decides* that the reports of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts should be brought to the attention of the General Assembly without delay;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to give all due publicity to the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts⁹⁵ and to furnish all necessary assistance to the Group to enable it to fulfil its mandate.

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B

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,⁹⁴

Gravely concerned about the situation in South Africa and southern Africa as a whole,

Noting with deep anxiety and indignation that the South African racist régime has continued to employ violence and massive repression against the black people and all opponents of *apartheid* in defiance of the resolutions of the General Assembly,

Recommends that the General Assembly should declare 1978 International Anti-*apartheid* Year.

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C

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of resolution 6 (XXXIII) of the Commission on Human Rights,⁹⁴

Suggests that the General Assembly should consider the applicability to United Nations organs of the solemn obligation of the administering Powers to promote the political, economic, social and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the Territories under their administration and to protect the human and natural resources of those Territories against abuses, which was reaffirmed by the Assembly in its resolution 31/7 of 5 November 1976, and, in this connexion, should consider the desirability of exercising fully its powers in its capacity—recognized by the International Court of Justice in 1971—as Administering Authority for Namibia, either directly or through the United Nations Council for Namibia.

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2083 (LXII). Measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights⁹⁶ and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination,⁹⁷

Recalling the resolution adopted by the General Assembly concerning migrant workers and Council reso-

⁹⁵ E/CN.4/1222 and Corr.1.

⁹⁶ General Assembly resolution 217 A (III).

⁹⁷ General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX).

lutions 1749 (LIV) of 16 May 1973 and 1926 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975, in which the Council affirmed the need for the United Nations to consider the situation of migrant workers in an interrelated manner and in relation with general factors which have a bearing on human rights and human dignity,

Aware that the situation of migrant workers is of major importance to many countries and is becoming increasingly serious in certain regions, and that the Commission on Human Rights and other relevant organs of the United Nations should take immediate measures to ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers,

Bearing in mind General Assembly resolution 31/127 of 16 December 1976, in which the Assembly recommended that the Commission on Human Rights and the Economic and Social Council should consider the question at their forthcoming sessions,

Emphasizing the serious concern expressed by the General Assembly at the *de facto* discrimination suffered by alien workers in some countries despite the legislative and other efforts exerted to prevent and punish it,

Aware of the work done in the field of migrant workers by the specialized agencies, particularly the International Labour Organisation, and by other organizations of the United Nations system,

Having taken note of the work of the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-third session on this question,⁹⁸

1. *Recommends* to the Commission on Human Rights that at its thirty-fourth session, in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation and other interested organizations of the United Nations system, and in the light of any recommendations which the General Assembly may transmit to it on the subject at its thirty-second session, it should make a complete and thorough study of the questions mentioned in Assembly resolution 31/127 under an agenda item en-

⁹⁸ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927)*, chap. XIII.

titled "Measures to improve the situation and ensure the human rights and dignity of all migrant workers";

2. *Decides* to study this question at its sixty-fourth session in the context of its consideration of the report of the Commission on Human Rights.

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2084 (LXII). Report of the Commission on Human Rights

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its thirty-third session.⁹⁹

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2085 (LXII). Question of the violation by Israel of human rights in the occupied Arab territories

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its thirty-third session,⁹⁹

Taking note of the action of the Commission concerning the question of the violation by Israel of human rights in the occupied Arab territories,

1. *Commends* the Commission on Human Rights for its vigilance and for the action taken in connexion with the protection of human rights in the occupied Arab territories;

2. *Requests* the Commission on Human Rights to pursue its efforts for the protection of human rights in the occupied Arab territories, and to continue to take the appropriate measures in this respect.

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⁹⁹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927).

DECISIONS

223 (LXII). Report of the Commission on the Status of Women

1. At its 2058th plenary meeting, on 12 May 1977, the Council, having considered draft resolutions VII, entitled "Involvement of non-governmental organizations in the implementation of the World Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Objectives of the International Women's Year and the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women", and X, entitled "Communications concerning the status of women", contained in the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-sixth and resumed twenty-sixth sessions,¹⁰⁰ decided to defer action on those draft resolutions, taking into account, in particular, its resolution 2058 (LXII), by which the Council decided to submit to the General Assembly at its thirty-second session, for consideration and approval, the draft Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

¹⁰⁰ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5909).

2. At the same meeting, the Council took note of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women.

224 (LXII). Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

1. At its 2059th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council decided to defer until the sixty-third session consideration of the draft decision entitled "Calendar of conferences for 1978 and 1979" contained in chapter I, section B, of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its twenty-seventh session.¹⁰¹

2. At the same meeting, the Council took note of the report of the Commission.

225 (LXII). Report of the Commission for Social Development

At its 2059th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977,

¹⁰¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 7 (E/5933 and Corr.1 and 2).

the Council took note of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-fifth session.¹⁰²

226 (LXII). Confirmation of seven members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

At its 2059th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council confirmed the nomination by the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fifth session of the following seven members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development; Khaleeq Ahmed Naqvi (India); Herbert Maurice Adebola Onitiri (Nigeria); Berislaw Sefer (Yugoslavia); Eleanor Bernert Sheldon (United States of America); and Rodolfo Stavenhagen (Mexico) for an additional term of two years, from 1 July 1977 to 30 June 1979; and Karl Eric Knutsson (Sweden) and Jean Ripert (France) for a term of four years, from 1 July 1977 to 30 June 1981.

227 (LXII). Non-governmental organizations

At its 2059th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council decided:

(a) To grant the following non-governmental organizations consultative status:

CATEGORY II

Association for Childhood Education International
Institute for Policy Studies
International Indian Treaty Council
International Institute for Vital Registration and Statistics
International Islamic Federation of Student Organizations
Union of Arab Jurists
World Population Society
World Trade Centers Association

ROSTER

African Medical and Research Foundation International
Asian Youth Council
European Mediterranean Commission on Water Planning
International Association for Hydrogen Energy
International Center for Dynamics of Development
International Peace Bureau
International Progress Organisation
International Union of Judges
Latin American Confederation of Tourist Organizations (COTAL)
Planetary Citizens

(b) To reclassify two non-governmental organizations from category II to category I and three others from the Roster to category II as follows:

CATEGORY I

International Association of French-Speaking Parliamentarians

¹⁰² *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/5915).

International Organization of Consumers Unions (IOCU)

CATEGORY II

Christian Peace Conference
International Association for Religious Freedom
World Council of Credit Unions

(c) To take note of the part of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations regarding the review of the organizations,¹⁰³ bearing in mind the recommendation made at the forty-sixth session of the Council¹⁰⁴ that all non-governmental organizations in consultative status that had not submitted the necessary information concerning themselves within the prescribed time-limit should be subject to suspension or withdrawal of consultative status in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolutions 1296 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968 and 1919 (LVIII) of 5 May 1975;

(d) To request non-governmental organizations in consultative status to submit to the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, before 30 October 1977, a report on their activities covering the past four years and to urge the Committee to carry out the mandate laid down in paragraphs 35, 36 and 40 of resolution 1296 (XLIV) and in resolution 1919 (LVIII) as a matter of priority, and to report to the Council at its sixty-fourth session, or immediately after the Committee's next meeting, on the extent to which non-governmental organizations in consultative status had complied with the principles governing their consultative status and how their activities had contributed towards the work of the United Nations.

228 (LXII). Further promotion and encouragement of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including the question of the programme and methods of work of the Commission on Human Rights

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council endorsed the recommendation made by the Commission on Human Rights in paragraph (b) of its resolution 3 (XXXIII)¹⁰⁵ and consequently decided to request the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to lay before its member States appropriate proposals for the implementation of the resolution and to submit to the Commission on Human Rights for study, at its thirty-fourth session, a report on the situation with regard to the teaching of human rights throughout the world, accompanied by detailed recommendations.

229 (LXII). Question of the realization of the economic, social and cultural rights contained in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and study of special problems relating to human rights in developing countries

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council endorsed the recommendation made by

¹⁰³ E/5934 and Corr.1, chap. II.

¹⁰⁴ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 17, document E/4647, para. 9.

¹⁰⁵ *Ibid.*, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927), chap. XXI, sect. A.

the Commission on Human Rights in paragraph 4 of its resolution 4 (XXXIII)¹⁰⁵ and consequently decided to invite the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the other competent specialized agencies, to undertake a study on the subject "The international dimensions of the right to development as a human right in relation with other human rights based on international co-operation, including the right to peace, taking into account the requirements of the new international economic order and fundamental human needs", and to make that study available for consideration by the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-fifth session.

230 (LXII). Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council endorsed the request made by the Commission on Human Rights in paragraph 1 of its resolution 5 (XXXIII)¹⁰⁶ and consequently decided to appeal to all States, especially the developed States, and the specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations, to make all efforts to accelerate the establishment of conditions that could promote the unrestricted enjoyment of all human rights in States with difficult economic and social conditions.

231 (LXII). Study of situations which reveal a consistent pattern of gross violations of human rights as provided in Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXXIII) and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1235 (XLII) and 1503 (XLVIII)

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council approved the decision of the Commission on Human Rights¹⁰⁸ to set up a working group composed of five of its members, to meet a week before its thirty-fourth session to examine such particular situations as might be referred to it by the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at its thirtieth session under Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations which the Commission had decided to keep under review.

232 (LXII). Report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts on southern Africa

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council endorsed the recommendation made by the Commission on Human Rights in paragraph 5 of its resolution 6 (XXXIII)¹⁰⁷ and consequently decided to draw the attention of the General Assembly and the Security Council to the desirability of adopting specific measures, including those provided for in Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, with a view to putting an end to the illegal occupation of Namibia by South Africa.

¹⁰⁶ *Ibid.*, sect. B, decision 5 (XXXIII).
¹⁰⁷ *Ibid.*, sect. A.

233 (LXII). Study of reported violations of human rights in Chile, with particular reference to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council approved the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 9 (XXXIII),¹⁰⁷ in response to General Assembly resolution 31/124, to extend the mandate of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group to inquire into the situation of human rights in Chile within the terms of the Commission resolution, and decided to request the General Assembly to make arrangements for the provision of adequate financial resources and staff for the implementation of that resolution.

234 (LXII). Study of discrimination against persons born out of wedlock and draft general principles on equality and non-discrimination in respect of such persons

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council took note of the work done by the Commission on Human Rights at its thirty-third session on the question of discrimination against persons born out of wedlock and the draft general principles on equality and non-discrimination against such persons, and decided to request the Secretary-General to transmit the draft general principles¹⁰⁸ to Governments for comments and to consider further those principles with priority at its sixty-fourth session, with a view to their approval.

235 (LXII). Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Bahamas

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council, recalling its decisions 85 (LVIII) of 6 May 1975 and 150 (LX) of 12 May 1976 concerning allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Bahamas, received from the Bahamas Workers' Council and the Engineering, Fuel, Service and Allied Workers' Union (Engineering and General Union), the Bahamas, and having received the allegations and the replies thereon from the Government concerned¹⁰⁹ and the clarifications of the allegations received from the complainant Unions pursuant to Council decision 150 (LX):¹¹⁰ (a) noted that the Bahamas had become a member of the International Labour Organisation on 25 May 1976; and (b) decided to request the Secretary-General to transmit, on its behalf, the documentary material which had been before the Council to the International Labour Organisation for appropriate action in accordance with Council resolutions 277 (X) of 17 February 1950 and 474 A (XV) of 9 April 1953.

236 (LXII). Report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights on allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council, recalling its resolution 1997 (LX) of 12 May

¹⁰⁸ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 6 (E/5927), para. 212.
¹⁰⁹ E/5645 and Add.1 E/5765.
¹¹⁰ E/5928.

1976 concerning certain allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa and having received with appreciation the relevant report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights,¹¹¹ decided: (a) to invite the International Labour Organisation to make a thorough study of possible ways of improving the lot of African agricultural workers and their families and to report to the Council at an appropriate time; and (b) to request the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts to continue to study the question and to report thereon to the Commission on Human Rights and to the Economic and Social Council at such times as it might consider appropriate.

237 (LXII). Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council decided to transmit to the *Ad Hoc* Working

¹¹¹ E/CN.4/1222 and Corr.1.

Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights, for consideration and report to the Council, the allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa made by the International Textile, Garment and Leather Workers' Federation and the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions,¹¹² together with the reply received from the Government of the Republic of South Africa.¹¹³

238 (LXII). Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in Bahrain

At its 2060th plenary meeting, on 13 May 1977, the Council: (a) noted that Bahrain had become a member of the International Labour Organisation on 18 April 1977; and (b) took note of the communications from the World Federation of Trade Unions,¹¹⁴ as well as of the reply of the Government of Bahrain.¹¹⁵

¹¹² E/5930.

¹¹³ *Ibid.*, annex VI.

¹¹⁴ E/5932.

¹¹⁵ E/5932/Add.1.

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