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FIFTY-SECOND SESSION**

**Adopted by the Council at its 1810th meeting,  
held on 6 January 1972**

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1. Election of the President and Vice-Presidents for 1972.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Application of Bhutan for membership in the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East.
4. Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development.
5. Appointment of members of the Committee for Development Planning.
6. Appointment of two members of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control.
7. Elections.
8. Confirmation of members of functional commissions of the Council.
9. Actions arising out of decisions of the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.
10. Basic programme of work of the Council in 1972 and consideration of the provisional agenda for the fifty-second session.



**AGENDA FOR THE MEETINGS OF THE FIFTY-SECOND  
SESSION HELD FROM 15 MAY TO 2 JUNE 1972**

**Adopted by the Council at its 1814th meeting on 15 May 1972**

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Housing, building and planning.
3. Narcotic drugs:
  - (a) Report of the International Narcotics Control Board;
  - (b) Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs;
  - (c) Concerted United Nations action against drug abuse and activities of the United Nations Fund for Drug-Abuse Control;
  - (d) United Nations Conference to Consider Amendments to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961;
  - (e) Youth and dependence-producing drugs.
4. Population.
5. Natural resources.
6. Transport development:
  - (a) Establishment of a United Nations transport economics and technology documentation centre;
  - (b) United Nations/IMCO Conference on International Container Traffic: report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Group.
7. Statistics.
8. Human rights questions:
  - (a) Report of the Commission on the Status of Women;
  - (b) Report of the Commission on Human Rights;
  - (c) Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights.
9. Social development:
  - (a) Implementation of the International Development Strategy and the role of the Commission for Social Development;
  - (b) National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic change for purposes of social progress;
  - (c) Promotion of the co-operative movement during the Second United Nations Development Decade.
10. Capital punishment.
11. Science and technology:
  - (a) Terms of reference of the Committee on Science and Technology;
  - (b) World Plan of Action;
  - (c) Question of United Nations sponsorship of the Protein Advisory Group.
12. Non-governmental organizations.
13. Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination.
14. Elections.
15. Consideration of the provisional agenda for the fifty-third session.
16. Assistance in relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Sudanese refugees.\*

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\* At its 1814th meeting, on 15 May 1972, the Council decided to include this additional item on its agenda.



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

**ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS**

**1654 (LII). Application of Bhutan for membership in the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Noting the communication from the Permanent Representative of Bhutan to the United Nations dated 26 November 1971,<sup>1</sup> with respect to the admission of Bhutan to full membership in the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East,

Amends paragraphs 2 and 3 of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East by the insertion of "Bhutan" after "Afghanistan" in paragraph 2 and after "Australia" in paragraph 3.

*1810th plenary meeting  
6 January 1972*

**1656 (LII). Capital punishment**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 1574 (L) of 20 May 1971 and General Assembly resolutions 2393 (XXIII) of 26 November 1968 and 2857 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971,

Having considered the additional information<sup>2</sup> provided by some Member States on the legal procedures and safeguards applied in capital cases and on their attitude to possible further restriction of the use of the death penalty or its total abolition,

Requests the Secretary-General to invite those Member States which have not yet provided the information requested in General Assembly resolutions 2393 (XXIII) and 2857 (XXVI) to do so as soon as possible so that he can submit to the Council at its fifty-fourth session the available information on the subject.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1657 (LII). Abuse of drugs (drug addiction): the problem of *khat***

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Having received the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its twenty-fourth session,<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See E/L.1465/Add.1.

<sup>2</sup> See E/5108.

<sup>3</sup> Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/5082).

Noting the discussion reflected therein with regard to the abuse of *khat* in some countries in the Middle East and East Africa,

Noting that *khat* is not covered by the schedules annexed to international conventions on narcotic drugs or by the Convention on Psychotropic Substances,

1. Recommends that the World Health Organization advance the studies it has already made with regard to the analysis of the active substances in the *khat* leaves, their pharmacological action, their effect on users from the socio-medical aspects, and patterns of use;

2. Invites the World Health Organization to communicate the results of its studies to the Council, through the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, as early as possible.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1658 (LII). Preparations for the coming into force of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances: signatures, ratifications and accessions**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Having received the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its twenty-fourth session,<sup>4</sup>

Noting the preliminary decisions taken by the Commission in the light of a note by the Secretary-General as to preparatory measures for the coming into force of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances,

Recalling its resolution 1576 (L) of 20 May 1971, in which the Council, *inter alia*, invited States to give urgent consideration to becoming parties to that Convention,

Noting with satisfaction that 36 States had signed the Convention, and that six countries had ratified or acceded to it, and that several other Governments were taking steps with a view to ratifying the treaty,

Recognizing the importance of having the Convention on Psychotropic Substances enter into force with the minimum delay in the light of article 26 thereof,

Urges Governments which have not already done so to initiate the necessary procedures for ratifying or acceding to the treaty.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*

**1659 (LII). Abuse of cannabis and multiple drug abuse: need to ensure strict control and to continue medical and social research**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Concerned by the increase in drug abuse and concerned in particular by the frequency of cases of cannabis abuse and the growth of illicit traffic in cannabis,

Noting that cannabis abuse is occurring more and more frequently in association with other drugs and alcohol and that multiple drug abuse makes it particularly difficult to treat such abusers,

Taking into account the progress made in research on the active principles and effects of cannabis,

Considering that, in addition to the great dangers of cannabis use as such, it has been demonstrated, in a number of scientific studies, notably that there is a positive correlation between the use of cannabis and the use, at least on an experimental basis, of other narcotic drugs, and that, in certain countries, the consumption of cannabis greatly increases the danger of being led into the use of hallucinogens and other drugs,

Considering that further scientific, medical and social research should be conducted in order to arrive at a better understanding of the aetiology of drug abuse and thus to ensure effective prevention and to improve treatment,

Recalling that the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,<sup>5</sup> placed cannabis in schedules I and IV, which carry the most stringent control measures, to prevent its abuse,

Recalling also its resolution 1291 (XLIV) of 23 May 1968 on the abuse of cannabis and the continuing need for strict control,

1. *Regrets* that unfounded statements are being spread to the effect that cannabis is not a dangerous substance;

2. *Recommends* to Governments the application of the most severe control measures to prevent the abuse of and illicit traffic in cannabis;

3. *Invites* the Secretary-General, the World Health Organization and all competent institutions to co-ordinate and promote research on cannabis and to concentrate in particular on the problem of multiple drug abuse.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1660 (LII). Ad Hoc Committee on Illicit Traffic in the Near and Middle East**

*The Economic and Social Council*

Endorses resolution 3 (XXIV) of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs entitled "Ad Hoc Committee on Illicit Traffic in the Near and Middle East".<sup>6</sup>

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1 June 1972*

<sup>5</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: 62.XI.1.

<sup>6</sup> Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 2 (E/5082), para. 369.

**1661 (LII). Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs**

*The Economic and Social Council*  
Takes note of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its twenty-fourth session.<sup>7</sup>

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1662 (LII). 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 1971,<sup>8</sup>

Noting with serious concern the Board's assessment that the drug abuse problem is intensely grave, in many countries, rapidly expanding, and amounts to a "virtual epidemic",

Endorsing the Board's view that the problem can only be resolved through close co-operation between States and by means of the consistent carrying out by Governments of national measures in that area,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the mounting international concern with the problem of drug abuse which was manifested during the past year;

2. *Urges* Governments to continue to co-operate to the maximum extent possible with one another, utilizing bilateral, regional, interregional and multilateral approaches with a view to eliminating illicit production, consumption and traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances;

3. *Calls upon* States to co-operate to the maximum extent possible with the International Narcotics Control Board in taking the remedial action recommended in the report;

4. *Supports* the appeal of the Board to States to improve their administrative machinery so that they may provide full and prompt information to the Board, thereby enabling it to perform effectively its functions under the relevant treaties.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1663 (LII). Enlargement of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 1147 (XLI) of 4 August 1966 which established the present size of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Noting that since the forty-first session the worldwide problem of drug abuse has reached crisis proportions,

Taking into consideration the seriousness with which the international community views this problem, the need for widespread international co-operation in searching for solutions, and the interest which States have in contributing to efforts in reaching solutions,

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 2 (E/5082).

<sup>8</sup> E/INCB/13 (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.72.XI.2).

*Decides* to enlarge the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to 30 members, with effect from 1 January 1973, taking into account the special criteria used for election to that Commission as well as the principle of equitable geographical representation.

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1 June 1972*

**1664 (LII). Concerted United Nations action against drug abuse and activities of the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control,<sup>9</sup>

*Mindful* of the important role that the United Nations can play in assisting Member States to reduce the supply of, and diminish the demand for, illicit drugs, and to suppress the illicit drug traffic,

*Recognizing* that an effective Fund requires a strong financial and organizational base from which to operate,

1. *Endorses* the work which the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control has thus far undertaken;

2. *Urges* States, institutions and individuals to contribute to the Fund in any form and according to their capacity;

3. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the appropriate specialized agencies, urgently to develop detailed plans for specific Fund projects which might be undertaken during the next two to four years and for which additional funds may be solicited;

4. *Requests* that a report be submitted to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its twenty-fifth session and to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-fourth session detailing the progress made by the Fund in the interim period.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1665 (LII). United Nations Conference to Consider Amendments to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* the results of the United Nations Conference to Consider Amendments to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, held from 6 to 24 March 1972,<sup>10</sup>

*Recalling* the resultant Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, and the major step it represents in carrying forward international co-operation against drug abuse,

*Recognizing* that, for maximum effectiveness, the treaty as amended should have the widest possible applicability, subject to the reservations recorded by States,

1. *Urges* States parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, to ratify as soon as possible the Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, and those States not yet parties to the Single Convention to ratify or accede to the treaty and ratify the Protocol as soon as possible;

2. *Calls upon* parties to the treaty to take all measures necessary to adhere to the letter and spirit of the treaty provisions, subject to the reservations recorded by them;

3. *Calls upon* the International Narcotics Control Board to assume its newly strengthened mandate with a sense of urgency commensurate with the intense gravity of the drug abuse problem when the Protocol amending the Single Convention enters into force.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

**1666 (LII). Implementation of the International Development Strategy and the role of the Commission for Social Development**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 setting forth the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Reaffirming* the need for a unified approach to economic and social planning in national development as set forth in General Assembly resolution 2681 (XXV) of 11 December 1970,

*Recalling* paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 2681 (XXV) requesting the Council to ensure the contribution of the Commission for Social Development to the aspects of the International Development Strategy directly related to matters within the Commission's competence,

*Noting* the machinery established for review and appraisal contained in General Assembly resolution 2801 (XXVI) of 14 December 1971 and Economic and Social Council resolutions 1621 C (LI) and 1625 (LI) of 30 July 1971,

*Taking account* of the discussion of the implementation of the International Development Strategy by the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-second session,<sup>11</sup>

*Reaffirming* that the Commission for Social Development has an important role to perform in assisting the Council concerning review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy with respect to matters within its competence,

1. *Decides* that this role should be performed within the framework of machinery for review and appraisal contained in General Assembly resolution 2801 (XXVI) and Council resolutions 1621 C (LI) and 1625 (LI);

2. *Requests* the Committee for Development Planning and the Committee on Review and Appraisal to take fully into account the section of the International Development Strategy entitled "Human development";

3. *Invites* the Committee for Development Planning to utilize the expertise available in the Secretariat in the field of social development, when preparing comments for the Committee on Review and Appraisal;

<sup>9</sup> E/5104.

<sup>10</sup> See E/5105.

<sup>11</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fiftieth Session, Supplement No. 3, chap. VII.*

4. *Requests* the Committee on Review and Appraisal and the Committee for Development Planning to draw upon the conclusions and recommendations of the Commission for Social Development in order to ensure their integration in the over-all development planning and in the process of review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in preparing the 1974 report on the world social situation, to ensure that the report includes data and analyses that can be used in the mid-Decade review and appraisal, in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1581 C (L) of 21 May 1971.

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1 June 1972

**1667 (LII). National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1581 A (L) of 21 May 1971 on the world social situation, which requested the Secretary-General to forward to States a questionnaire on their experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress,

*Noting* that, owing to the insufficient number of replies to the above-mentioned questionnaire, the Secretary-General has found it difficult to prepare a detailed report on this important question,<sup>12</sup>

*Considering* that the question of studying and utilizing experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress should be given attention in the future work of the Economic and Social Council and its organs,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to appeal once again to all States which have not yet done so to transmit replies as soon as possible to his questionnaire on their national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, on the basis of the replies received from States, a comprehensive report on the question of studying and utilizing experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for purposes of social progress and to submit that report to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-third session;

3. *Invites* the Commission for Social Development to discuss the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General at its twenty-third session as a matter of priority and to submit its recommendations on this question to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-fourth session.

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1 June 1972

**1668 (LII). Promotion of the co-operative movement during the Second United Nations Development Decade**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2459 (XXIII) of 20 December 1968 and Economic and

<sup>12</sup> See E/5095.

Social Council resolution 1413 (XLVI) of 6 June 1969 and, in particular, Council resolution 1491 (XLVIII) of 26 May 1970, concerning the preparation and implementation of a programme of concerted action in the field of development of co-operatives that would be of significant assistance to developing countries during the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Bearing in mind* the report of the Secretary-General<sup>13</sup> analysing the role of the co-operative movement in the achievement of the goals and objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the promotion of the co-operative movement during the Second United Nations Development Decade,<sup>14</sup>

*Recognizing* that the expansion of the co-operative movement in the promotion of social and economic progress is closely linked to structural and institutional reforms which, *inter alia*, aim at equitable distribution of income, popular participation in the development process, and equality of opportunity to contribute to and benefit from the fruits of development,

*Believing* that the activities of the United Nations system in the promotion of the co-operative movement should be intensified as part of the efforts to be made to achieve the goals of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Reaffirming* the need for a concerted programme of action at the country level to expand and strengthen the co-operative movement, *inter alia*, by co-ordination of multilateral and bilateral assistance,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General on the promotion of the co-operative movement during the Second United Nations Development Decade;

2. *Invites* the interested Governments of developing countries:

(a) To consider adopting legislative measures defining and promoting the role and place of the co-operative movement in development;

(b) To consider the establishment of co-operative development groups, as outlined in the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>15</sup> or other suitable mechanism, to co-ordinate and channel external assistance to national programmes for the expansion of various types of co-operatives;

(c) To include the role of the co-operative movement in their development plans and, where appropriate, in their country programmes;

3. *Urges* the Governments of countries, especially those with experience in the co-operative movement, to assist developing countries, in co-operation with the United Nations system and the International Co-operative Alliance, in their endeavour to promote and expand co-operatives in all domains where they present the most appropriate form for helping to achieve the objectives set up for the Second United Nations Development Decade;

4. *Recommends* that the United Nations Development Programme in its over-all programme give special attention to requests from developing countries for technical assistance in the field of the co-operative movement;

<sup>13</sup> E/4807 and Corr.1.

<sup>14</sup> E/5093 and Corr.1.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 56-69.

5. *Endorses* the suggestions that the membership of the Joint Committee for the Promotion of Agricultural Co-operatives be broadened to incorporate the United Nations, including the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and other interested bodies, such as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to further promote, in close co-operation with the International Co-operative Alliance, concerted action for the development of co-operatives, both agricultural and other, in developing countries, and that the Committee's terms of reference be revised accordingly;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council:

(a) At its fifty-fourth session on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution;

(b) In 1975 on the contribution made by the co-operative movement to the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade as part of the over-all appraisal of progress made at the mid-point of the Decade.

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#### **1669 (LII). Development planning advisory services**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2718 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 requesting Member States to formulate definite and long-term housing, building and planning policies and programmes for the improvement of human settlements in the context of their over-all economic and social development planning and to devote particular attention to the application of comprehensive planning approaches to integrate the physical, economic, social and administrative aspects for improvement of human settlements in both rural and urban areas,

*Also recalling* Economic and Social Council resolution 1552 (XLIX) of 30 July 1970 on the intensification of efforts to meet the requirements of Member States in development planning, plan implementation, public administration and management,

*Noting* that in pursuance of this resolution it is proposed that continuing advisory services in these fields be provided by the United Nations, particularly with a view to taking action to facilitate the achievement of the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Further noting* than such advisory services are to be provided by the establishment of subregional interdisciplinary teams to advise countries at their request,

*Recognizing* that a successful interdisciplinary team involves the integration of three main elements—economic, social and physical,

*Further recognizing* that, as noted by the Secretary-General in his report to the General Assembly on the problems and priorities in human settlements,<sup>16</sup> many of the problems of human settlement are due to the failure to integrate these three main elements and, in particular, to the neglect of physical planning considerations,

*Believing* that these interdisciplinary teams provide an excellent opportunity for countries to embark on an integrated approach to their planning efforts,

*Stressing* the importance of an integrated approach to development planning in the constitution of the interdisciplinary teams,

1. *Requests* that the Secretary-General ensure that, within existing resources, such interdisciplinary teams include, wherever possible, appropriate expertise in urban and regional planning;

2. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to use the opportunity provided by these interdisciplinary teams to take account of the relationship between economic, social and physical elements in development planning.

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#### **1670 (LII). Rehabilitation of transitional urban settlements**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling in particular* its resolution 1224 (XLII) of 6 June 1967 urging Member States, in co-operation with the Secretary-General and the United Nations agencies concerned, to undertake practical pilot programmes adapted to the needs of developing countries and directed at the improvement of living conditions in squatter settlements and slums of urban and rural areas,

*Noting with concern* that living and environmental conditions in these areas continue to deteriorate in a great number of countries and that their future is a subject of concern,<sup>17</sup>

*Considering* that the development of effective policies and programmes in these settlements depends upon the willingness of all Governments to pay more urgent attention to the magnitude of the problem and to the forces behind the growth of urban settlements, upon their willingness and capacity to respond to the needs of the populations living in and moving into these settlements, by adopting measures aimed at progressively improving the economic conditions and the physical and social environment of slums and squatter settlements, and upon the resources available to Governments,

1. *Recommends* that Member States, especially those faced with the rapid growth of slums and squatter settlements, should encourage, support and where appropriate adopt the following measures:

(a) The establishment of a programme to ameliorate the conditions of the lowest income groups and to prevent a further deterioration of slum and squatter settlements;

(b) The intensification of urban planning, community development and the physical improvement which people cannot achieve without government action such as the acquisition and planning of land, the provision to the lowest income groups of urban land and security of tenure, even if services are not immediately available, the subsequent provision of basic services essential for public health and the encouragement of progressive improvement;

<sup>17</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/5086)*, chap. V, sect. B.

<sup>16</sup> A/8037.

(c) The adoption of measures for the improvement of these areas by extending health, education, training and other community facilities in such a manner as to integrate them with metropolitan and national development;

(d) The utilization of pilot programmes based on the foregoing actions;

(e) The establishment of long-term policies and programmes co-ordinated within a framework of comprehensive planning, and environmental protection and enhancement extending to all levels of government and supported by the legislative and administrative measures;

2. *Also recommends* that, with the assistance of the Secretary-General, as appropriate, Member States undertake, including where and when appropriate within the framework of the United Nations Development Programme, the following measures for a significant improvement of slums and squatter settlements:

(a) Formulation of a strategy for co-ordinated action and optimum utilization of the resources of the United Nations and its appropriate agencies as they become available for the purpose;

(b) Development and broadening of the exchange of knowledge in this field between countries and regions through research at the international level;

(c) Establishment of training programmes at professional, subprofessional and community levels to encourage self-reliance and popular participation in solving the problems of slums and squatter settlements;

3. *Further recommends* that Member States consider whether there are other practical measures capable of improving the conditions of the people living in squatter settlements;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Council, through the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, an analytical report on the progress achieved in the implementation of the recommendations referred to under paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

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### **1671 (LII). Training of skilled manpower in the field of housing, building and planning**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1167 (XLI) of 5 August 1966 relating to the training of skilled manpower in the field of housing, building and planning,

*Noting with appreciation* the efforts of the International Labour Organisation in preparing, at the request of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, studies on the needs of the developing countries in this field, especially the outline of the second phase of the study as proposed in the report of the Secretary-General on special campaigns and projects,<sup>18</sup>

*Noting* the inability of the International Labour Organisation to continue with the study under the present circumstances,

*Realizing* the increased importance of this subject in the light of the need for action in developing countries on programmes that would result from the Second United Nations Development Decade and the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment,

<sup>18</sup> E/C.6/122, sect. D.

1. *Urges* the International Labour Organisation to include the study on the training of skilled manpower in the field of housing and physical planning in its work programme;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to seek, within existing resources, the necessary funds for the completion of this study and to collaborate with the International Labour Organisation in all aspects of this work, bearing in mind the views expressed on the subject by the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning at its seventh session.<sup>19</sup>

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### **1672 (LII). Population and development**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 and the urgent need to take additional steps and measures for its full implementation,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, in which the Assembly recommended objectives, policies and measures needed to promote the economic and social progress of the developing nations, including, *inter alia*, demographic objectives and measures required for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Aware* that the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, proclaimed by the General Assembly in its resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, confirmed that parents have the exclusive right to determine freely and responsibly the number and spacing of their children and that provision of knowledge and means necessary to enable them to exercise that right should be made available to individuals,

*Noting* that the General Assembly, in its resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, identified, as a minimum target for the Second United Nations Development Decade, availability of the necessary information and advice to all persons who so desire it to enable them to decide freely and responsibly on the number and spacing of their children and to prepare them for responsible parenthood,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2683 (XXV) of 11 December 1970, by which the Assembly designated the year 1974 as World Population Year, as a way of focusing international attention on different aspects of the population problem and to provide an opportunity for Member States to make such efforts in the field of population as may be considered consistent with their respective needs,

*Recalling also* Economic and Social Council resolution 1484 (XLVIII) of 3 April 1970 on the third World Population Conference, 1974, in which the representatives of Member States would consider basic demographic problems, their relationship with economic and social development, and the population policies and action programmes needed,

*Expressing its appreciation* for the progress achieved in population activities by Member States and organizations of the United Nations system, and for the recent impressive increase in technical co-operation under the United Nations Fund for Population Activities,

<sup>19</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 4 (E/5086)*, chap. VII, sect. D.



*Noting with appreciation* the report entitled "Science and technology and problems of population growth in developing countries"<sup>20</sup> submitted to the Economic and Social Council by the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development,

*Convinced* that economic and social development is an essential element of and prerequisite to an effective population policy, and being aware that further action and expansion of activities is needed to this end at both the national and international levels,

*Stressing* that economic and social progress is the common and shared responsibility of each nation and the entire international community and that the obligations inherent in this responsibility are set down in the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Being concerned* with the immediate and long-range economic and social implications of rapid population growth as revealed in the projections of the United Nations,

## A

### 1. Urges all Member States:

(a) To give full attention to their demographic objectives and measures during the biennial review and appraisal of the implementation of the Second United Nations Development Decade, and to take such steps as may be necessary to improve demographic statistics, research and planning machinery needed for development of population policies and programmes;

(b) To co-operate in achieving a substantial reduction of the rate of population growth in those countries which consider that their present rate of growth is too high and in exploring the possibility for the setting of targets for such a reduction in those countries;

(c) To ensure, in accordance with their national population policies and needs, that information and education about family planning, as well as the means to practise family planning effectively, are made available to all individuals by the end of the Second United Nations Development Decade;

2. *Calls upon* all Member States, developed and developing alike, to give further support to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities in expanding the capacity of the United Nations system needed to promote activities in the population field in accordance with the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade;

3. *Calls upon* developed countries to provide, upon request, assistance in the population field without prejudice to other forms of development assistance;

4. *Calls upon* Member States and relevant United Nations bodies, in their present review and appraisal of the Second United Nations Development Decade, to give special attention to demographic, social and economic measures conducive to the achievement of the goals of the Decade;

### 5. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To initiate, in accordance with the spirit of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, studies needed for the development and implementation of demographic objectives and measures;

(b) To assist, upon request and in collaboration with the United Nations agencies concerned, Member States in population activities relevant to the biennial review and appraisal of the Second United Nations Decade.

## B

1. *Endorses* in principle the draft programme and arrangements for the World Population Conference, 1974, as approved by the Population Commission at its sixteenth session;<sup>21</sup>

2. *Decides* to assign to the Population Commission amongst its functions that of the intergovernmental preparatory body for the World Population Conference and the World Population Year and requests the Commission, in that capacity, to continue the preparatory work, taking into account actual and diverse situations prevailing in the various countries and regions, and to report back to the Council at its resumed fifty-third session in the first instance;

3. *Calls upon* States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies or the International Atomic Energy Agency to take part in the World Population Conference and urges interested Member States to report on the actions they have taken in developing their population policies, programmes and activities;

4. *Decides* to place on the agenda of the World Population Conference a draft World Population Plan of Action and requests the Secretary-General to elaborate such a draft with the assistance of the Advisory Committee of Experts on Global Population Strategy decided upon at the sixteenth session of the Population Commission;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, with the financial assistance of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities:

(a) To announce the World Population Year and World Population Conference at an early date and commend those programmes to the urgent attention of Governments of all Member States in order to emphasize that high priority should be given to the preparations for the Conference and the Year, and take such other steps as may be desirable for the attainment of the basic objectives of the Conference and the Year;

(b) To appoint, within the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and at the Assistant Secretary-General level, a Secretary-General for the World Population Conference and those World Population Year activities specifically related to the Conference, among them the symposia on population and development, human rights and the environment, equipped with the necessary secretariat resources, by drawing particularly upon the expertise and competence of the United Nations system as well as the Advisory Committee of Experts on Global Population Strategy;

(c) To designate the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Population Activities as having responsibility for preparations for the World Population Year and to request him to take the necessary steps, having regard to the resources available, to establish a secretariat from within the Fund and to work closely with the Population Division, the Centre for Economic and Social Information, the specialized agencies and the relevant non-governmental organizations;

<sup>21</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/5090 and Add.1)*, chap. IV.

<sup>20</sup> E/5107.

6. *Urges* the Secretary-General of the Conference and the Executive Director of the Fund to co-operate to the extent necessary to ensure that preparations for the World Population Conference and the World Population Year proceed smoothly, bearing in mind the complementary nature of the activities of the Year and of the Conference.

### C

1. *Approves* the proposed programme of measures and activities for the World Population Year, 1974, as recommended by the Population Commission at its sixteenth session;<sup>22</sup>

2. *Invites* all Member States to take part in the observance of the World Population Year, especially to promote such activities as would improve knowledge and awareness as well as policies and measures relative to population and development;

3. *Calls the attention* of Governments of Member States to the valuable role which can be played by national population commissions in both developed and developing countries and which could enhance national population policies and programmes as well as national participation in the World Population Conference and World Population Year;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the United Nations agencies concerned to render, upon request, all possible assistance to Member States to enable them to participate fully in accordance with their own policies in the activities of the World Population Year, including technical assistance and aid by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities as requested by Member States;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to seek the widest possible co-operation of appropriate non-governmental organizations, research institutions and mass communication media in furthering the objectives of the World Population Year;

6. *Invites* the appropriate non-governmental organizations accredited to the Economic and Social Council, as well as national scientific and humanitarian organizations, to participate fully in the World Population Year.

### D

1. *Endorses* the five-year and two-year programmes of work in the field of population recommended by the Population Commission at its sixteenth session,<sup>23</sup> which include, *inter alia*, work to be done in connexion with the Second United Nations Development Decade, the World Population Conference, 1974, the World Population Year, 1974 and technical co-operation;

2. *Invites* the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut to develop further their five-year and two-year programmes of work in the population field in conformity with their particular regional needs, taking into account the recommendations of the Population Commission;

3. *Invites* the United Nations agencies concerned to develop further co-ordination and collaboration, in order to support population activities and the implementation of population programmes requested by Governments;

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. IX, pp. 49-72.

<sup>23</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. VI.

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in pursuing the programme of work recommended by the Population Commission at its sixteenth session and in response to requests from Member States:

(a) To give special attention to the development and improvement of demographic statistics;

(b) To draw particular attention to the need for taking measures as appropriate to speed up the implementation of the African Population Census Programme;

(c) To develop, in co-operation with the United Nations agencies concerned, appropriate measures needed to accelerate the review of requests for technical co-operation and implementation of technical assistance projects;

(d) To continue providing technical and financial support to the regional demographic training and research centres sponsored by the United Nations and to the development of the national population research capacity;

(e) To assign priority to providing assistance for training of personnel, establishing national population research, advising on population policies and programmes and taking part in projects designed to support national population programmes;

(f) To make the necessary arrangements for the inclusion of population questions in the programmes of work of the United Nations Secretariat, with particular regard to population and social development, public administration, human rights and natural resources;

(g) To take such steps as may be necessary within the regular budget and extra-budgetary sources, to ensure that the programme of work, as recommended, could be fully implemented, particularly those projects directly related to the Second United Nations Development Decade, the World Population Conference, 1974, and the World Population Year, 1974;

5. *Requests* the Population Commission and the World Population Conference, 1974 to give the highest priority to the consideration of social, economic and other conditions conducive to the attainment of national demographic objectives.

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## 1673 (LII). Natural resources

### A

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1535 (XLIX) of 27 July 1970 and 1572 (L) of 18 May 1971,

*Having considered* the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second session,<sup>24</sup>

*Grateful* to the Government of Kenya for the excellent facilities made available for the second session of the Committee held at Nairobi,

*Welcoming* the invitation of the Government of India for the holding of the third session at New Delhi, subject to the conditions set forth in General Assembly resolution 2609 (XXIV) of 16 December 1969,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the progress made in the Committee's work on its second session;

<sup>24</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/5097 and Corr.1 and 3).

2. *Decides* that, starting from its third session, the Committee meet and report to the Council once every other year in accordance with the decisions of the Council of 8 August 1969, 27 and 31 July 1970;

3. *Agrees* that, subject to determination of specific date and venue in conjunction with the calendar of conferences, the third session of the Committee be convened in 1973.

## B

### GUIDELINES FOR ACTION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* that, during its first and second sessions, the Committee on Natural Resources has worked on and produced guidelines for action in the development of natural resources with particular emphasis on the development of water, energy and mineral resources, as a first step in fulfilment of its terms of reference,

*Bearing in mind* the importance of the guidelines in the context of natural resources development,

1. *Approves* the guidelines for action in the development of natural resources, contained in paragraph 20 of the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second session,<sup>24</sup> as providing an adequate provisional framework for the establishment of dynamic programmes in this field;

2. *Recommends* that the United Nations and bodies within the United Nations system take these guidelines into account, as appropriate, when drawing up programmes within their spheres of competence, having regard to the need for proper co-ordination and rational distribution of responsibilities in the field of natural resources development.

## C

### CO-ORDINATION OF PROGRAMMES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of the terms of reference of the Committee on Natural Resources laid down in Council resolutions 1535 (XLIX) of 27 July 1970 and 1572 F (L) of 18 May 1971,

*Reiterating* the need for proper co-ordination and appropriate distribution of responsibilities in the formulation and implementation of programmes in the field of mineral, water and energy resources development,

*Aware* of the need for intergovernmental bodies to further harmonize programmes within their spheres of competence and to avoid duplication of activities,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General to prepare a concise report covering the outlines of the work programme and the sphere of competence of the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system in the field of mineral, water and energy resources development, together with the views of those organizations and agencies on the most rational division of responsibilities between them in these fields;

2. *Further invites* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, to draw up proposals as to the most advisable measures to co-ordinate the formulation and implementation of the programmes of the organs, organizations and agencies of the United Nations system in the field of water, mineral and energy resources development, which would define the competence and sphere of activities of those organizations;

3. *Requests* that the report and proposals in paragraphs 1 and 2 above be presented for consideration to the Committee on Natural Resources at its third session and, later on, to the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and to the Economic and Social Council.

## D

### PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* again General Assembly resolution 2692 (XXV) of 11 December 1970,

*Taking into account* the further discussion of the subject at the second session of the Committee on Natural Resources,<sup>25</sup>

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to undertake, as a matter of priority, a study of the fiscal, commercial, financial, industrial, technological, social, economic and legal aspects of the principle of permanent sovereignty over natural resources of developing countries, taking into account the specifications contained in paragraph 48 of the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second session;

2. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to allocate appropriate staff and resources to ensure early completion of the study, if possible, in time for the consideration by the Committee at its third session.

## E

### UNITED NATIONS WATER CONFERENCE

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1572 D (L) of 18 May 1971,

*Taking into account* views expressed, as to the desirability and topics of a United Nations water conference, in response to that resolution and during the second session of the Committee on Natural Resources<sup>26</sup> as well as in further replies and in the Council,

*Acknowledging* gratefully the reiterated invitation of the Government of Argentina to hold the proposed conference there,

*Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To convene an intergovernmental panel of specialists to prepare, in collaboration with the specialized agencies concerned, a precise draft agenda and organizational proposals for a United Nations water conference, after the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment, so that recommendations from that Conference as well as other relevant views can be fully taken into account;

(b) To submit the report of the panel to Member States prior to the third session of the Committee on Natural Resources;

(c) To submit a further report to the Committee on Natural Resources at its third session with a view to assisting the Committee in making final recommendations to the Economic and Social Council for the holding of the proposed United Nations water conference in 1975 or shortly thereafter.

<sup>25</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 39-51.

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 52-61.

## F

### UNITED NATIONS REVOLVING FUND FOR NATURAL RESOURCES EXPLORATION

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 1572 C (L) of 18 May 1971,

*Bearing in mind* the work in 1971 of the Intergovernmental Working Group of the Committee on Natural Resources and further work on the proposal,

*Taking into account* the deliberations of the Committee on Natural Resources at its second session,<sup>27</sup> including its agreement in principle to the establishment of a United Nations revolving fund for natural resources exploration,

*Looking forward* to careful consideration of the report of the expanded Intergovernmental Working Group of the Committee resulting from its meetings in March-April 1972,

*Expressing the hope* that the developed countries will provide the assistance required to launch and support the fund at least until such time as it becomes self-sustaining,

1. *Requests* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to include in the agenda of the fourteenth session an additional item on the establishment of the revolving fund for the purpose of rendering comments to the Economic and Social Council;

2. *Decides* to consider the subject in further detail at its fifty-third session, taking into account the comments made by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme.

## G

### TRAINING AND APPLIED RESEARCH

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 1535 (XLIX) of 27 July 1970,

*Recognizing* the importance of training and applied research in building up the capacity of developing countries for natural resources development,

*Taking into account* and welcoming the preoccupation of the Committee on Natural Resources with train-

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 62-70.

ing and applied research and the recommendations contained in the report on its second session,<sup>28</sup>

1. *Calls upon* Governments to make the best possible use of the opportunities offered in the United Nations Development Programme-assisted projects to train counterpart personnel;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to work out the financial and organizational modalities of a scheme, possibly under the United Nations volunteers programme, to use young specialists from developing countries as assistants to experts under projects of the Programme in other countries in order to enable them to broaden their experience relevant to their national needs, but only where this will contribute to the project and not involve increased expenditure for or a reduction in the indicative planning figures of the country where the project is being implemented, and report to the Economic and Social Council through the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its fifteenth session and the Committee on Natural Resources at its third session;

3. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General and the appropriate specialized agencies take positive steps to organize training and seminars covering the most important aspects of natural resources development to be attended by specialists from developing countries;

4. *Further recommends* that the Secretary-General, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and others concerned encourage the development, within the framework of the projects of the Programme or otherwise, of applied research centres on a regional, subregional or national basis;

5. *Also recommends* that twinning arrangements be encouraged between academic institutions of developed and developing countries for the exchange of students, professors and research projects;

6. *Suggests* that the Committee on Natural Resources select priority areas of building scientific and technological capacity of the developing countries in the field of natural resources, for further study and recommendations in co-operation with the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development and the Council Committee on Science and Technology.

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<sup>28</sup> *Ibid.*, paras. 84-88.

## Decisions

### Housing, building and planning

#### (Item 2)

At its 1816th meeting, on 1 June 1972, the Council took note of the report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its seventh session.<sup>29</sup>

### Population

#### (Item 4)

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided that:

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 4 (E/5086).

(a) The Population Commission should hold a short special session in mid-1972;

(b) The Population Commission's seventeenth session should be held at Geneva in November 1973.

At the same meeting, the Council took note of the report of the Population Commission on its sixteenth session.<sup>30</sup>

### Natural Resources

#### (Item 5)

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council took note of the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its second session.<sup>31</sup>

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 3 (E/5090 and Add.1).

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 5 (E/5097 and Corr.1 and 3).

**Establishment of a United Nations transport economics and technology documentation centre**

**(Item 6 (a))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided that no further action was required on the question of the establishment of a United Nations transport economics and technology documentation centre.

**United Nations/IMCO Conference on International Container Traffic: report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Group**

**(Item 6 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided that further consideration of the item "United

Nations/IMCO Conference on International Container Traffic: report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Group" should be deferred to the fifty-third session on the clear understanding that preparatory work on items of the provisional agenda of the proposed Conference<sup>32</sup> would proceed pending such further consideration by the Council at its fifty-third session.

**Statistics**

**(Item 7)**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on technical assistance programmes of the United Nations system.<sup>33</sup>

<sup>32</sup> E/5096, annex I.

<sup>33</sup> E/5099.

**QUESTIONS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS**

**1676 (LII). Employment of women in senior and other professional positions by the secretariats of organizations in the United Nations system**

*The Economic and Social Council*

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

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling* the declarations and instruments adopted by the United Nations acknowledging the equality of status of men and women, *inter alia*, the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, and also relevant instruments of the International Labour Organisation and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

*"Recalling* its resolution 2715 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, which requested that the Secretary-General include in his report to the General Assembly data on the employment of women at senior and other professional levels, including their numbers and the positions occupied,

*"Noting with appreciation* that the report of the Secretary-General on the composition of the Secretariat,<sup>34</sup> submitted to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session, included for the first time some information on the employment of women, showing the number of women and the levels at which they were employed in senior and professional positions within the secretariats of the United Nations system of organizations,

*"Noting also* that the report reveals that, as at 31 August 1971, no women were employed within the United Nations Secretariat at the Under-Secretary-General or Assistant-Secretary-General level, that only three of the total of 62 employed at the D-2 level were women, and that only four of the total of 183 employed at the D-1 level were women,

*"Further noting* that in the less senior and professional ranks of the Secretariat the percentage of

women is in inverse proportion to the level of the position, ranging from 8 per cent of the total staff at the P-5 level to 46.2 per cent at the P-1 level,

*"Noting as well* that in all the other organizations of the United Nations system there are no women at the highest levels, only one woman employed at the D-2 level, and only 10 women at the D-1 level,

*"1. Notes with satisfaction* the Secretary-General's recently announced intention to appoint women to positions at the highest levels of the United Nations Secretariat;

*"2. Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his annual report to the General Assembly on the composition of the Secretariat more comprehensive data on the employment of women in the secretariats of the United Nations system; of organizations, so as to show the nature of posts and types of duties performed by women at the professional and policy-making levels;

*"3. Urges*, once again, the United Nations system of organizations to take or continue to take appropriate measures, including more extensive publicizing of the right of individuals personally to apply for vacant positions to ensure equal opportunities for the employment of qualified women of the senior and professional levels and in policy-making positions;

*"4. Calls upon* Member States, when proposing nationals for appointment to the senior and professional positions in the secretariats of the United Nations system of organizations, to give full consideration to submitting the candidatures of qualified women for all positions, particularly at the policy-making level."

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**1677 (LII). Implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the Convention on the Political Rights of Women,<sup>35</sup> the Convention for the Suppression of the

<sup>34</sup> A/8483.

<sup>35</sup> General Assembly resolution 640 (VII).

Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others,<sup>36</sup> and the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and practices Similar to Slavery,<sup>37</sup>

*Recalling also* the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 2263 (XXII) of 7 November 1967,

*Recalling further* its resolutions 731 E (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959, 961 B (XXXVI) of 12 July 1963, 1132 (XLI) of 26 July 1966 and 1325 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968,

*Convinced* that consideration of the implementation of the Declaration would be facilitated if Governments reported on particular aspects of the problems involved according to an established cycle and linked their reports on that subject to reports on the implementation of the Convention on the Political Rights of Women,

*Believing* that the preparation of reports can be rationalized so as to reduce the burden on Governments, particularly those of developing States, and the Secretariat,

*Noting* that the preparation of a separate report, as requested by the Commission on the Status of Women in its resolution 4 (XXI) of 12 February 1968, containing information on the status of women communicated in accordance with article 8, paragraph 2, of the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery and on the implementation of the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others would duplicate, to a certain extent, work being undertaken by the Commission on Human Rights, but that the implementation of both Conventions is a matter of continuing concern to the Commission on the Status of Women,

1. *Requests* States Members of the United Nations, starting in the period 1972-1973, to submit information on the implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women according to a four-year cycle in which in the first period of two years information would be submitted on the implementation of the civil and political rights set out in articles 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of the Declaration and in the second period of two years on the implementation of the economic, social and cultural rights set out in articles 2, 9 and 10 of the Declaration;

2. *Requests* Member States, specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations to submit to the Secretary-General every two years information on the publicity given to the Declaration and on general and educational measures taken to comply with its provisions, taking into account the provisions of articles 1, 3 and 11;

3. *Requests* Member States, during the period 1972-1973, to submit information to the Secretary-General on the Convention on the Political Rights of Women and thereafter every four years to coincide with reports on the civil and political rights set out in the Declaration;

4. *Requests* Member States, during the period 1972-1973, to submit, as part of their reports on the

implementation of the Declaration, information on the implementation, so far as they concern the status of women, of the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery, including information on the practices of *apartheid* and colonialism which are the worst forms of slavery, and the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others, and thereafter every four years;

5. *Invites* Member States, specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations, when submitting information in accordance with paragraphs 1 to 4 above, to describe primarily developments which have taken place during the period under review, with particular emphasis on:

(a) The situation existing in law (the enactment and/or the repeal of relevant constitutional provisions, laws and regulations);

(b) The situation existing in fact (supplemented when appropriate with statistical data and percentages);

(c) The discrepancies, if any, between the situation in law and the situation in fact (including any obstacles which prevent the full implementation of the principles of the Declaration and any general trends which might be noted);

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Status of Women at each session analytical reports on the implementation of the Convention on the Political Rights of Women and the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in accordance with the four-year cycle.

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## **1678 (LII). Participation of women in rural development programmes**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 2263 (XXII) of 7 November 1967, and the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969,

*Noting* resolution IX adopted on 12 May 1968 by the International Conference on Human Rights<sup>38</sup> on measures to promote women's rights in the modern world, including a unified, long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women, which established guidelines for such a programme,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970, in which the Assembly recommended that concerted efforts should be made to increase the resources available for technical cooperation projects which advance the status of women,

*Observing* that until recently insufficient attention has been given to the needs of women in the economic and social development plans and programmes of the developing countries,

*Recognizing* that over-all development requires a greater utilization of available human resources and that the potentials of women are not yet fully utilized,

<sup>36</sup> General Assembly resolution 317 (IV).

<sup>37</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 266 (1957), No. 3822.

<sup>38</sup> See *Final Act of the International Conference on Human Rights* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.XIV.2), p. 10.

*Conscious* of the potential of female labour forces, especially in the implementation of rural development programmes of developing countries,

*Deploring*, however, that the economic value of women's traditional contribution to rural development is affected by inadequate training in modern methods of agriculture and other related fields and in techniques of family-life education,

1. *Urges* Governments of States Members of the United Nations, in their planning and implementation of the country programming for development and effective utilization of human resources, to enable the effective participation of national women's organizations and other non-governmental organizations which have programmes for the advancement of women, particularly in the rural areas;

2. *Requests* the United Nations Development Programme, other appropriate organizations of the United Nations system, and the regional organizations, inter-governmental as well as non-governmental, to give full consideration to allocating more of their technical assistance funds for the purpose of a more effective planning and implementation of rural development programmes for women, in so far as such assistance could be included in the national technical assistance programmes of the beneficiary countries;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to communicate the present resolution, through the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, to the resident representatives of the Programme.

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## 1679 (LII). Status of the unmarried mother

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Considering* that the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights, the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and the Declaration on Social Progress and Development have solemnly proclaimed and reaffirmed faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women, and the determination to promote social progress and better standards of life,

*Recalling* that the principle of non-discrimination against women on account of maternity and of the protection of children is also embodied in these instruments and in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child,

*Recalling also* the adoption by the Economic and Social Council of resolution 1514 (XLVIII) of 28 May 1970 entitled "The unmarried mother and her child: their social protection and the question of their integration in society",

*Noting* that the ratio of unmarried mothers to married mothers is increasing in certain countries and that they are often subject to legal and social discrimination in violation of the principles of equality and non-discrimination set out in the above instruments,

*Noting further* the heavy responsibilities assumed by the unmarried mother,

*Welcoming* the recent emergence in most countries of a greater awareness of the difficulties confronting the unmarried mother,

*Convinced* that efforts should be made, through all possible means, to promote respect for the inherent dignity and worth of the human person, so as to enable all members of society, irrespective of marital status, to enjoy the equal and inalienable rights to which they are entitled, and contribute by their work to national development,

1. *Recommends* that Governments of States Members of the United Nations which have not yet done so, and which encounter this problem, take all possible measures to eliminate any prevailing legal and social discrimination against the family consisting of an unmarried mother and her child and to offer such families all necessary advice and assistance, seeking to obtain a greater comprehension by society of their situation and with a view to eliminating the harm caused by lack of understanding and to securing them an acceptance on an equal footing with other members of society;

2. *Recommends* the following general principles for achieving that end:

(a) Maternal filiation shall be recognized in law, in all cases, automatically as a consequence of the fact of birth;

(b) Whatever the legal system applying in the case of married parents, the unmarried mother, whether paternal filiation is established or not, shall enjoy in all cases, as a parent, the fullest set of rights and duties provided for by law, in particular:

(i) If maternal filiation only is established, the surname of the mother should be transmitted to her child, if possible, in such a manner as not to reveal the fact of birth out of wedlock;

(ii) If maternal filiation only is established, the nationality of the unmarried mother shall be transmitted to her child as a consequence of the fact of birth; if both maternal and paternal filiations are established, the nationality of the child shall be governed by the same rules as those which apply in the case of birth in wedlock;

(iii) The unmarried mother should be vested in law with full parental authority over her child, in all cases, as an automatic consequence of the fact of birth; a family consisting of an unmarried mother and her child should not be subjected to any special control or supervision by the authorities different from that given to other families;

(iv) Maintenance rights and obligations as between the unmarried mother and her child should be the same as between a sole parent and a child born in wedlock; when both paternal and maternal filiations are established, the maintenance obligations of the parents to the child should be the same as if the child was born in wedlock; all appropriate assistance should be offered by the competent authority to the mother to help her (a) to establish paternal filiation and (b) to obtain an agreement by the father or a decision by the competent authority or court for the support of the child by his father; if the father does not fulfil his maintenance obligations, or if it is not possible to establish paternity, benefit should be available from appropriate public sources for the support of the mother and her child according to their needs;



- (v) There should be no discrimination against the offspring of unmarried mothers in all matters of inheritance;
- (vi) The unmarried mother should enjoy all the measures of social assistance and social security devised for mothers in general and for single parents in particular;
- (vii) There should be no discrimination against the unmarried mother in matters of employment, education and training as well as in access to child care facilities;

3. *Recommends* that, where appropriate, consideration be given by Member States to the development of programmes designed to increase awareness of the existing double standard in allocating social responsibility for births out of wedlock, so as to bring about a balance in these social attitudes toward members of both sexes in the responsibility for such births.

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### **1680 (LII). Programme of advisory services in the field of human rights**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* resolution 17 (XXIII) of 22 March 1967 of the Commission on Human Rights which, *inter alia*, requested the Secretary-General to consider, from 1969 onwards, the organization of one or two seminars on the status of women each year,

*Noting with satisfaction* the success of the international seminar on the participation of women in the economic life of their countries held in Moscow in 1970 and the regional seminar on the same subject held in Libreville (Gabon) in 1971,

*Considering* that the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights should pay greater attention to the programmes and activities relating to the status of women,

*Believing* that, consistent with the over-all objective of the programme of advisory services, namely to provide assistance to Governments, programming of seminars on status of women matters should be more closely co-ordinated with the work of the Commission on the Status of Women,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General, in discharging his responsibilities for the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights, to make every effort within the existing resources available to him to ensure so far as possible that:

(a) Two seminars on subjects relating to the status of women are held each year, especially in the years when the Commission on the Status of Women does not meet;

(b) At least one of these seminars is an international seminar on a matter directly related to the work programme of the Commission on the Status of Women;

(c) Increased attention is given to securing the appointment, as human rights fellows, of more women and persons involved in activities designed to eliminate discrimination against women;

2. *Invites* Governments of States Members of the United Nations:

(a) To include the names of more women and of those involved in the work of eliminating discrimina-

tion on grounds of sex when forwarding nominations for human rights fellowships to the Secretary-General;

(b) To give serious consideration to the possibility of acting as hosts, within the scope of the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights, to seminars on matters directly related to the work programme of the Commission on the Status of Women;

(c) To avail themselves more fully, when undertaking projects intended to ameliorate the status of women, of the services of experts under the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights.

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### **1681 (LII). International Women's Year**

*The Economic and Social Council*

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

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Considering* that 25 years have elapsed since the first session of the Commission on the Status of Women was held at Lake Success (New York) from 10 to 24 February 1947, and that this is a period which makes it possible to take stock of the positive results obtained,

*"Bearing in mind* the aims and principles of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 2263 (XXII) of 7 November 1967,

*"Recognizing* the effectiveness of the work done by the Commission on the Status of Women in the 25 years since its establishment, and the important contribution which women have made to the social, political, economic and cultural life of their countries,

*"Considering* that it is necessary to strengthen universal recognition of the principle of the equality of men and women, *de jure* and *de facto*, and that both legal and social measures have to be taken by States Members of the United Nations which have not yet done so to ensure the implementation of women's rights,

*"Noting* that its resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade includes among its goals and objectives for the Decade the encouragement of the full integration of women in the total development effort,

*"Drawing attention* to the general objectives and minimum targets to be attained in the course of the Second United Nations Development Decade as defined by the Commission on the Status of Women and adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970,

*"Considering* that, with those ends in view, the proclamation of an international women's year would serve to intensify the action required to advance the status of women,

"1. *Proclaims* the year 1975 International Women's Year;

"2. *Decides* to devote this year to intensified action to promote equality between men and women and to increase women's contribution to national and international development;



"3. *Invites* all Member States and all interested organizations to take steps to ensure the full realization of the rights of women and their advancement on the basis of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women;

"4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare, in consultation with Member States, specialized agencies and interested non-governmental organizations, within the limits of the existing resources, a draft programme for the International Women's Year and to submit the programme to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-fifth session in 1974."

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### **1682 (LII). Increased activities relating to the status of women at the regional level**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the effectiveness of the work accomplished by various intergovernmental organizations in assisting in the implementation of resolutions and recommendations adopted by the various organizations in the United Nations system,

*Recalling* the reports of the Secretary-General concerning action that might be taken at the regional level to implement the recommendations of the Commission on the Status of Women more effectively,<sup>39</sup>

*Recalling also* its resolution 48 (IV) of 29 March 1947 in which the Council requested the Secretary-General to make arrangements for the presence of observers from regional intergovernmental organizations in the field of women's rights at sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women to act in an advisory and informative capacity and to arrange for the exchange of information between the Commission and these organizations on subjects relating to the status of women,

*Recalling further* that in resolution 1267 B (XLIII) of 3 August 1967 the Council invited its subsidiary bodies to make recommendations regarding the desirability of establishing relationships between themselves and specific intergovernmental organizations active in fields of concern to them,

*Noting with interest* that the Council of the League of Arab States in September 1971 established an Arab Women's Commission to promote the status of women in Arab countries members of the League,

*Further noting* the services rendered by the Inter-American Commission of Women for the advancement of women at the regional level through seminars and training courses and through the dissemination of information concerning United Nations instruments for the advancement of women, particularly the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,

*Mindful* that compliance with the principles contained in relevant United Nations instruments is essential for the full integration of women into society and for the satisfactory progress of humanity,

*Bearing in mind* that compliance with United Nations instruments assuring equal participation of women in all aspects of the political, social and economic life of their countries has not been fully achieved,

*Believing* that increased action and programmes at the regional level would greatly benefit the advancement of the status of women,

1. *Invites* interested intergovernmental organizations outside the United Nations system to consider the establishment of regional commissions on the status of women in order to make more effective the resolutions and measures adopted in favour of women and to promote the wider integration of women in all sectors of development and progress of their countries;

2. *Invites* the United Nations regional economic commissions to take any necessary action to incorporate in their regional activities programmes designed to increase the participation of women and to include in their reports to the Economic and Social Council information on what they have done to assist the integration of women in the economic and social development of their countries;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring such information to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women.

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### **1683 (LII). Interregional meeting of experts on the role of women in development**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 1777 (XVII) of 7 December 1962 initiating a unified long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women,

*Recalling also* General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 on the programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women and the objectives and minimum targets to be achieved during the Second United Nations Development Decade, set forth in the annex to that resolution,

*Noting* General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970 containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, which included among its goals and objectives the encouragement of the "full integration of women in the total development effort".

*Noting with interest* that an interregional meeting of experts on the role of women in development will be held in June 1972 as part of the work programme of the Commission for Social Development as well as that of the Commission on the Status of Women,

*Noting further* that this meeting falls within the category of conferences, seminars and similar meetings recommended by the General Assembly in paragraph 5 of its resolution 2716 (XXV), and will include persons concerned with problems of development and those concerned with matters relating to the status of women,

1. *Welcomes* the organization in June 1972 of the interregional meeting of experts on the role of women in development as a joint project of the Commission for Social Development and the Commission on the Status of Women;

2. *Draws the attention* of the meeting of experts to General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) and in particular to the objectives and targets set forth in the annex to that resolution, as well as to other appropriate resolutions adopted by the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-fourth session or recommended for adoption by the Council concern-

<sup>39</sup> E/CN.6/532, E/CN.6/553 and Add.1 and E/CN.6/554.

ing the further elaboration of a programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women and the increased activities related to the status of women at the regional level;<sup>40</sup>

3. *Expresses the hope* that the experts will take full account of these objectives and targets in elaborating recommendations designed to encourage the full integration of women in the total development effort during the Second United Nations Development Decade;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit the report of the meeting of experts to the Commission on the Status of Women as well as to the Commission for Social Development.

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#### **1684 (LII). Integration of women at all levels of development**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 on the programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women,

*Believing* that such a programme of concerted international action, planned on a long-term basis, will advance the status of women and increase their effective participation in all sectors of national life,

*Noting* that, because of differing cultural traditions and of stages of socio-economic progress of countries all the world over and also within each of these countries, women are found at several levels of development,

*Believing* in the importance of initiating and increasing programmes geared to the needs of underprivileged women, both in rural and urban areas,

*Considering* that there might be a tendency, in the implementation of the programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women, to concentrate solely on the most elementary stages of development of women, which might lead to a neglect of the needs and requirements of women at the middle and higher levels of development,

*Convinced* that such a programme should take careful account of the different stages of development in which women are found in order that such a programme may be realistically geared to their specific problems and requirements,

1. *Recommends* that the objectives and targets set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 2716 (XXV) should be realized in such a way as to benefit women at all levels of development;

2. *Urges* Governments of States Members of the United Nations, in the planning and implementation of their programmes of action to promote the advancement of women, to take account of the varying needs of women in their countries with a view to enabling women to achieve their maximum potential not only as wives and mothers but also as citizens and full participants in the development of their countries;

3. *Requests* the specialized agencies, the United Nations Development Programme, other appropriate

<sup>40</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5109 and Add.1)*, chap. VIII, resolution 14 (XXIV), and chap. IX, draft resolutions III, VII and IX [Council resolutions 1678 (LII), 1682 (LII) and 1684 (LII)]

organizations of the United Nations system, and other organizations, intergovernmental and non-governmental, to take account in the programming and allocation of technical assistance of the recommendations contained in paragraphs 1 and 2 above and to take action thereon accordingly;

4. *Expresses its appreciation* to the United Nations Development Programme for the very useful report it prepared for the Commission on the Status of Women<sup>41</sup> on the participation of women in Programme-assisted activities;

5. *Urges* the United Nations Development Programme to support and to encourage the full integration of women at all levels of development and their participation in projects of technical assistance, with due consideration to the progress which economic development requires at all those different levels, and requests the United Nations Development Programme to prepare a report on the subject for the consideration of the Commission on the Status of Women at a future session;

6. *Invites* the Commission on the Status of Women, in considering the implementation of the programme of action to promote the advancement of women, to take due account of the varying levels of development in which women are to be found in order that their contribution to the development of their countries can be fully realized to the greatest extent possible;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to communicate the present resolution, through the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, to all resident representatives of the United Nations Development Programme.

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#### **1685 (LII). Activities of agencies in the United Nations system of special concern to women**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Aware* of the importance for the progress of society as a whole of the programmes of the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Health Organization, and also the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Development Programme, to promote the advancement of women,

*Aware also* of the need for a policy of having women present at all levels of decision-making, so that fully effective implementation of these programmes may be achieved,

1. *Expresses the hope* that the Governments of member States will recognize the importance of an increased presence of women on their national delegations, both at the general conferences of and at the various meetings and conferences organized within these agencies, as well as within national committees and other national liaison bodies;

2. *Expresses also the hope* that the Secretary-General will invite the executive heads of the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the

<sup>41</sup> E/CN.6/554

World Health Organization, and also the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Development Programme, to continue to recommend to member States increased participation of women in activities within the competence of their agencies and to ensure that women are present in all sectors of their secretariats;

3. *Requests* the executive heads of the above-mentioned agencies to keep the Commission on the Status of Women informed of the extent, in numbers and as a proportion, of the participation of women referred to in paragraph 1 above.

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#### **1686 (LII). Activities of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization of special interest to women**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization has intensified its efforts to carry out projects intended to encourage thought and action in this sphere with a view to increasing the contribution of girls and women to the common task of development and to scientific and technological progress,

*Regretting* that, for practical reasons, some areas have been left untouched, although they require the constant attention of national authorities and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

*Considering* that co-operation within the United Nations system in action for the advancement of women's education must include a study of the specific problems of young women, such as the moulding of their civic awareness, with a view to more active and effective participation in political life, preparation for family life to the same extent as boys, and the question of recreation for girls,

1. *Urges* Governments of States Members of the United Nations and of members of the specialized agencies which have not already ratified or acceded to the Convention against Discrimination in Education, adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on 14 December 1960<sup>42</sup> and the Protocol thereto of 10 December 1962,<sup>43</sup> to initiate the necessary procedures for ratifying or acceding to these international instruments;

2. *Recommends* that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization should continue its studies on questions of priority interest to the younger generation, in the belief that the development of a sense of civic responsibility among girls is of primary importance in order to accelerate their full integration into all spheres of society;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to give particular attention to measures for the advancement of education programmes for boys and girls, as a means of ensuring

<sup>42</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 429 (1962), No. 6193.

<sup>43</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 651 (1968), No. 6193.

the fulfilment of the human personality and the effective and practical enjoyment of the rights belonging to every human being.

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#### **1687 (LII). Protection of women and children in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* resolution 4 (XXII) of the Commission on the Status of Women of 3 February 1969, on the protection of women and children in emergency or wartime, fighting for peace, national liberation and independence,<sup>44</sup> resolutions I and XXIII of the International Conference on Human Rights of 7 and 12 May 1968,<sup>45</sup> and General Assembly resolution 2675 (XXV) of 9 December 1970,

*Noting* that the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of 12 August 1949<sup>46</sup> is not fully implemented in armed conflicts and occupied territories,

*Expressing deep concern* for the fate of women and children from the civil population in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence, who often become victims of destruction and who suffer from conditions detrimental to their lives and to human dignity,

*Bearing in mind* Economic and Social Council resolution 1515 (XLVIII) of 28 May 1970, which provides for the possibility of drafting an international declaration on this subject,

*Noting* the report of the Secretary-General on the protection of women and children in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence,<sup>47</sup>

*Considering* the reports of the Secretary-General on respect for human rights in armed conflicts<sup>48</sup> and on the 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, submitted to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session,<sup>49</sup> the report of the Special Working Group of Experts established under resolution 6 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights<sup>50</sup> and the report of the Special Committee To Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Population of the Occupied Territories<sup>51</sup> established under General Assembly resolution 2443 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968,

*Realizing* that children are suffering from the lack of basic needs of life in many areas of the world including those areas referred to in the Secretary-General's report on the protection of women and children

<sup>44</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-sixth Session*, document E/4619, chap. XVI.

<sup>45</sup> See *Final Act of the International Conference on Human Rights* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.XIV.2), pp. 5 and 18.

<sup>46</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75 (1950), No. 973.

<sup>47</sup> E/CN.6/561 and Add.2.

<sup>48</sup> A/8313 and Add.1-3 and A/8370 and Add.1.

<sup>49</sup> A/8314 and Add.1-6.

<sup>50</sup> E/CN.4/1016 and Add.1-5.

<sup>51</sup> A/8389 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1 and 2.

in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence, namely in the Middle East, Africa and Asia,

*Realizing also* that women in war-torn areas are often victims of many forms of assault on personal dignity,

1. *Expresses appreciation* to the Secretary-General for giving special consideration, in his reports to the General Assembly on respect for human rights in armed conflicts, to the suggestion made by the Commission on the Status of Women in its resolution 4 (XXII) regarding the necessity of taking specific measures for the protection of women and children in periods of armed conflict and in occupied territories;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the Commission on the Status of Women to continue their efforts aiming at the implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1515 (XLVIII) and to consider, in the light of the results of the work done in this respect within the framework of the International Committee of the Red Cross, the desirability of drafting a declaration on the subject;

3. *Welcomes* the fact that the Conference of Government Experts, convened by the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva from 3 May to 3 June 1972, is giving consideration, *inter alia*, to the problem of special measures for the protection of women and children in periods of armed conflict and occupation, with the reaffirmation and development of international humanitarian law applicable in armed conflict;

4. *Notes* that the Secretary-General, in accordance with the wishes expressed by the Commission on the Status of Women, has transmitted the views of the Commission on the question of the protection of women and children in periods of armed conflict to the aforementioned Conference of Government Experts;

5. *Requests* Governments of Member States, the United Nations organs, the specialized agencies and the non-governmental organizations to mobilize world public opinion in support of women and children referred to in the Secretary-General's report on the protection of women and children in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence and in the discussions of the Commission on the Status of Women, and requests these bodies and the International Committee of the Red Cross to develop ways and means of rendering all possible humanitarian support to them and to inform the Secretary-General of the steps taken in this respect;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a report for the Commission on the Status of Women based on replies received under paragraph 5 above;

7. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to prepare and submit to the Commission on the Status of Women every two sessions reports on the condition of women and children in emergency and armed conflict in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence based on information available from appropriate United Nations bodies, in official United Nations documents, and any other information furnished by Governments and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council;

8. *Decides* to include the question of the protection of women and children in emergency and armed con-

flikt in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence in the programme of work of the Commission on the Status of Women.

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#### **1688 (LII). Report of the Commission on the Status of Women**

*The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-fourth session,<sup>52</sup>

*1818th plenary meeting  
2 June 1972*

#### **1689 (LII). 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 the study of special problems relating to human rights in developing countries**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1421 (XLVI) of 6 June 1969, 1502 (XLVIII) of 27 May 1970 and 1595 (L) of 21 May 1971,

*Reiterating* the importance of implementing the provisions of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, especially the goals and policy measures enumerated therein, for the achievement of economic, social and cultural rights in developing countries,

*Believing* that the elaboration of a methodology will be indispensable for the rational consideration of this question in the future,

*Impressing* upon the Special Rapporteur appointed under Commission on Human Rights resolution 14 (XXV) the urgent need to complete his report—together with his conclusions and recommendations, including the question of the role of the Commission in this respect—on the realization, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinions, national or social origin, property, birth or other status, of the economic, social and cultural rights set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, taking particular account of the special problems of the developing countries in this regard,

*Believing* it desirable to consult its regional economic commissions on the 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, taking into account special problems relating to human rights in developing countries, especially in connexion with the twenty-fifth anniversary in 1973 of the proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

1. *Urges* the Special Rapporteur to complete his study, taking into account opinions expressed during

<sup>52</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5109 and Add.1).*

the discussion of this question at the twenty-eighth session of the Commission on Human Rights<sup>53</sup> and without prejudice to what is proposed in the succeeding paragraphs, to submit the final report to the Commission on Human Rights not later than three months in advance of its twenty-ninth session in 1973 and not later than 30 November 1972;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue providing all possible assistance to the Special Rapporteur and to urge once again those Governments and specialized agencies that have not yet done so to submit information on the effectiveness of the methods and means used by them in the realization of economic, social and cultural rights, so that the Special Rapporteur may utilize this information as he may deem it appropriate;

3. *Requests* each regional economic commission to consider the feasibility of including in the agenda of its next session the consideration of "the question of the realization of the economic, social and cultural rights contained in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, taking into account special problems relating to human rights in developing countries", and to indicate particular aspects of these rights;

4. *Requests* the Committee on Review and Appraisal and the Committee for Development Planning to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights all available information relevant to this item;

5. *Invites* the International Labour Organisation and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to consider, within their respective spheres of competence, the question of the effective methods and means to be used for the realization of economic, social and cultural rights and to forward their suggestions to the Commission on Human Rights in time for consideration at its twenty-ninth session;

6. *Requests* the Commission on Human Rights to continue to study the problem at its twenty-ninth session as a matter of priority, including the feasibility of the observance at an appropriate time of an international year for eradication of poverty.

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#### **1690 (LII). Protection of journalists engaged in dangerous professional missions in areas of armed conflict**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* General Assembly resolution 2854 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971 and the documents related thereto, particularly the draft conventions submitted by Australia<sup>54</sup> and by the United States of America,<sup>55</sup>

*Noting* Commission on Human Rights resolution 6 (XXVIII) of 31 March 1972,<sup>56</sup>

*Considering* that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights has proclaimed in its article 19 the right of everyone to freedom of opinion and expression, including freedom to seek, receive and impart information through any media and regardless of frontiers,

<sup>53</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113), chap. IV.

<sup>54</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 49, document A/8589, para. 26.

<sup>55</sup> *Ibid.*, para. 27.

<sup>56</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113), chap. XIII.*

*Considering* that it is important to promote the right to complete, objective and truthful information,

*Considering* that mass media of information play a vital role in that connexion,

*Considering* that the quest for information may expose journalists to dangerous situations when their mission leads them to carry on their activity in areas where there is armed conflict,

*Considering* that those whose recognized function is to gather information for dissemination through an information organ should be afforded adequate protection in time of armed conflict,

*Considering* that, without prejudice to the application of the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949,<sup>57</sup> it is desirable to guarantee for all categories of journalists, in view of the present-day requirements of their profession, effective protection when they carry out dangerous missions,

*Transmits* to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session:

(a) The draft articles of the International Convention on the Protection of Journalists Engaged in Dangerous Professional Missions in Areas of Armed Conflict, as approved by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-eighth session as the basis for further work;<sup>58</sup>

(b) Proposed amendments and the records of the discussion at the twenty-eighth session of the Commission on Human Rights;<sup>59</sup>

(c) The relevant observations submitted by the Conference of Government Experts on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts.

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#### **1691 (LII). Question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Considering* General Assembly resolution 2583 (XXIV) of 15 December 1969 in which the Assembly drew attention to the special need for international action in order to ensure the prosecution and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2712 (XXV) of 15 December 1970 in which the Assembly expressed deep concern at the fact that in present-day conditions, as a result of aggressive wars and the policies and practices of racism, *apartheid* and colonialism and other similar ideologies and practices, war crimes and crimes against humanity are being committed in various parts of the world, and called upon all the States concerned to intensify their co-operation in the collection and exchange of information which will contribute to the detection, arrest, extradition, trial and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity,

<sup>57</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 75 (1950), Nos. 970-973.

<sup>58</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113), chap. XIII, resolution 6 (XXVIII), annex.*

<sup>59</sup> E/CN.4/L.1199 and Corr.1, E/CN.4/L.1202-1210, E/CN.4/SR.1165, 1166 and 1168-1176.

*Referring* to General Assembly resolution 2840 (XXVI) of 18 December 1971 in which the Assembly requested the Commission on Human Rights to consider the principles of international co-operation in the detection, arrest, extradition and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity and to submit a report on this question to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session,

*Noting* that many States have not yet submitted comments and observations in accordance with resolution 2712 (XXV),

1. *Once again requests* those States which have not yet done so to submit to the Secretary-General their comments and observations on this question, including proposals concerning principles of international co-operation in the detection, arrest, extradition and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session and to the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-ninth session an analytical survey of the comments, observations and proposals received from States, having regard to the need to formulate principles of international co-operation in the detection, arrest, extradition and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity.

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#### **1692 (LII). 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 twenty-eighth session.<sup>60</sup>

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#### **1693 (LII). Collection and dissemination of information on human rights**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 9 (II) of 21 June 1946, 303 H (XI) of 9 August 1950, 683 B (XXVI) of 21 July 1958 and 1596 (L) of 21 May 1971,

*Bearing in mind* General Assembly resolutions 2538 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, 2732 (XXV) of 16 December 1970 and 2836 (XXVI) of 17 December 1971,

*Considering* the important contribution that periodic reports on human rights and the *Yearbook on Human Rights* have made to the advancement of human rights,

*Convinced* that it is only through the timely submission and publication of concise reports by Member States and specialized agencies and of objective information by non-governmental organizations in consultative status that the international community can appreciate both the progress achieved and the problems to be overcome,

*Noting* the delays experienced in the publication of the *Yearbook on Human Rights*,

<sup>60</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113).*

*Believing* accordingly that the present system of collecting and disseminating information about the realization of human rights should be reviewed,

*Conscious* of the need to reduce the volume of documentation of the United Nations,

*Conscious also* of the burden placed upon States Members of the United Nations by the reporting obligations of the present system,

1. *Decides* to allocate this task to the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Periodic Reports of the Commission on Human Rights;

2. *Directs* the *Ad Hoc* Committee, at a special session to be held in New York from 8 to 16 January or 11 to 19 January 1973:

(a) To examine the effectiveness of the present system of collecting and disseminating information about the realization of human rights, giving particular attention to the *Yearbook on Human Rights* and its relation to periodic reports on human rights;

(b) To submit its findings and recommendations for the rationalization and improvement of this system to the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-ninth session for onward transmission to the Economic and Social Council at its fifty-fourth session.

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#### **1694 (LII). Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Considering* that the Commission on Human Rights has an increasing role to play for the promotion of universal respect for, and observance of, human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion,

*Considering further* the continuing impact of human rights problems throughout the world and the variety and intensity of the questions with which the Commission has to deal,

*Noting with appreciation* the serious efforts of the Commission to promote the observance and realization of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

*Noting* that the Commission is experiencing difficulties in giving consideration to all of the items on its agenda,

*Aware*, however, of the heavy agenda of the Commission and that it is not in a position to examine all the items, due to paucity of time,

*Recalling* resolution 2 (XXV) of 21 February 1969 of the Commission in which the Commission decided to endeavour to establish a proper balance among the matters referred to it with a view to discharging its important functions to the full,

*Noting*, however, that the Commission has notably been unable in recent years to pay due attention to the work of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities which, as a subsidiary body of the Commission, has made outstanding and substantial contributions in the field of human rights,

*Considering it necessary* that the Commission make such arrangements so as to ensure the full consideration by the Commission of the Sub-Commission's reports,

1. *Urges* the Commission on Human Rights to continue its efforts to promote the observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

2. *Requests* the Commission on Human Rights to pay due attention in the organization of its work to the limitations of time and its heavy agenda, and, if necessary, resort to means such as the grouping of items, postponement of items at the beginning of its sessions, informal consultations on draft resolutions and establishment of working groups;

3. *Further urges* the Commission on Human Rights to allocate sufficient time for an adequate consideration of the reports of its Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities and working groups, and to avoid, where possible, repetitious consideration of matters dealt with in detail by the Sub-Commission;

4. *Authorizes* the Commission on Human Rights, in accordance with Council resolution 1165 (XLI) of 5 August 1966, to hold in 1973 a six-week session in order to enable the Commission to devote sufficient time to the consideration of the reports of the Sub-Commission on its twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth sessions and the studies of the Sub-Commission which have not been acted upon;

5. *Requests* Member States to show greater understanding for the heavy agenda of the Commission on Human Rights, *inter alia*, by avoiding priority for matters of peripheral nature or limited interest to the United Nations.

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**1695 (LII). Question of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including the slavery-like practices of apartheid and colonialism**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proclaims that no one shall be held in slavery or servitude and that slavery and the slave trade shall be prohibited in all their forms,

*Noting* the recommendations of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities in its resolution 3 (XXIV) on the question of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations,

*Bearing in mind* the information and recommendations on these matters contained in the *Report on Slavery*<sup>61</sup> prepared by the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Mohamed Awad, in accordance with Council resolutions 960 (XXXVI) of 12 July 1963 and 1077 (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965 and submitted to the Council at its forty-first session in 1966,

*Deeply regretting* the untimely death of the Special Rapporteur,

*Desirous* of furthering the work of which he has been such a distinguished proponent,

*Bearing in mind also* the information and recommendations contained in the study transmitted to it by the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,<sup>62</sup> on the measures which might be taken to implement the international Slavery

Convention of 25 September 1926<sup>63</sup> and the Supplementary Convention on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery of 30 April 1956<sup>64</sup> and the various recommendations included in the resolutions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Rights relating to the abolition of slavery, the slave trade, and institutions and practices similar to slavery, and on the possibilities of international police co-operation to put an end to the transportation of persons in danger of being enslaved,

*Convinced* of the need for the adoption of urgent measures to accelerate the ratification of or accession to the international Slavery Convention of 1926 and the Supplementary Convention of 1956, and to strengthen the application of those Conventions and the various recommendations included in the resolutions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Rights on the abolition of slavery, the slave trade, and institutions and practices similar to slavery,

*Mindful* of the work of the International Labour Organisation relating to freedom of association and freedom of labour and of its programme for the elimination of *apartheid* in labour matters in the Republic of South Africa, of the activities of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to correct a social outlook tolerating the existence of slavery and forms of servitude similar to slavery, and of the special responsibility of the Food and Agriculture Organization in connexion with problems of land tenure,

*Noting* that technical assistance is now available to States for the purpose of improving their administrative machinery with a view to combating any vestiges of slavery, the slave trade, and institutions and practices similar to slavery which may exist,

1. *Calls upon* all eligible States which are not yet parties, to become parties as soon as possible to the international Slavery Convention of 1926 and the Supplementary Convention of 1956 on the Abolition of Slavery, the Slave Trade, and Institutions and Practices Similar to Slavery;

2. *Draws attention* to the close relationship between the effects of slavery, *apartheid* and colonialism and to the need to take concrete measures to ensure the effective implementation of the relevant international conventions and decisions of the United Nations with a view to bringing about the complete elimination of these shameful phenomena;

3. *Calls upon* all States to enact any legislation necessary to prohibit slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations and to provide effective penal sanctions for persons committing, or ordering to be committed, any of the following acts: (a) abduction, or planning the abduction, or giving instructions for the abduction, of any person by force, treachery, gifts, abuse of authority or power, or intimidation, which results in that person being placed in a status of slavery or servitude as defined in the international Slavery Convention of 1926 and the Supplementary Convention of 1956; (b) holding any person in a status of slavery or servitude as defined in those Conventions; and calls upon all States to search for persons alleged

<sup>63</sup> League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. LX, 1927, No. 1414.

<sup>64</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 266 (1957), No. 3822.

<sup>61</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: 67.XIV.2.

<sup>62</sup> E/CN.4/Sub.2/322.



to have committed, or to have ordered to be committed, any such acts, and to bring such persons, regardless of their nationality, before its own courts, or to hand such persons over for trial to another State concerned;

4. *Calls upon* all eligible States, which have not yet done so to ratify the following International Labour Organisation Conventions which deal with matters closely related to the abolition of slavery, the slave trade, and institutions and practices similar to slavery: the Employment Policy Convention (No. 122) of 1965, the Forced Labour Convention (No. 29) of 1930, the Abolition of Forced Labour Convention (No. 105) of 1957, the Social Policy (Basic Aims and Standards) Convention (No. 117) of 1962, the Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organize Convention (No. 87) of 1948, the Right to Organize and Collective Bargaining Convention (No. 98) of 1949, and the Convention Concerning the Protection and Integration of Indigenous and Other Tribal and Semi-tribal Populations in Independent Countries (No. 107) of 1957;

5. *Appeals* to all States to give effect, by national legislation or otherwise, to the Tenants and Share-Croppers' Recommendation (No. 132), adopted by the International Labour Organisation in 1968;

6. *Invites* the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) to co-operate, within the limits established by its constitution and in accordance with the special arrangement between the United Nations and that organization, approved by the Council in its resolution 1579 (L) of 20 May 1971, with the United Nations in its efforts to eliminate slavery, the slave trade, and institutions and practices similar to slavery, and in particular to forward to the Secretary-General annually any information at its disposal with regard to the international traffic in persons, including reports on the subject received from its national central bureaux;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to utilize such information to supplement information made available to him under the terms of the Supplementary Convention of 1956 and Council resolution 1579 (L), and to present a summary of available information to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at each session;

8. *Calls upon* States where total emancipation of slaves and other persons of servile status has not yet taken place to accelerate this emancipation and to make every effort to absorb such persons into the general labour force and to give them access to vocational guidance and training facilities;

9. *Recommends* to all specialized agencies, inter-governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations concerned that they continue and expand their assistance to such persons, including vocational guidance and training in particular;

10. *Recommends* that Governments, through the Secretary-General, call upon the experts on the list kept by the Secretary-General, and other important persons, in accordance with Council resolution 1330 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968, for advice on matters relating to the elimination of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations;

11. *Recommends* to Governments of countries of refuge that refugee facilities and travel documents should be made easily available to the victims of racial discrimination who have to leave their countries to escape the slavery-like practices of *apartheid*, enabling them in particular to return to their country of refuge;

12. *Directs* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to examine the possibility of the establishment of some form of permanent machinery to give advice on the elimination of slavery and on the suppression of the traffic in persons and exploitation of slavery and on the suppression of the traffic in persons and exploitation of the prostitution of others, and to make recommendations with a view to seeking the better implementation of the United Nations instruments concerned;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To undertake, on the basis of information available to him, a survey of national legislation for the purpose of eliminating practices similar to slavery;

(b) To prepare a plan of technical co-operation to contribute to the eradication of slavery and the slave trade in all their practices and manifestations, including assistance to facilitate the passage of legislation to promote the elimination of practices covered by the Supplementary Convention of 1956, and to transmit it to the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities for consideration;

(c) To ascertain the needs of Governments in this respect, and to submit a report thereon to the Sub-Commission at its twenty-sixth session;

(d) To report on the implementation of the present resolution to the Economic and Social Council on the basis of information obtained from Governments, the specialized agencies, regional intergovernmental organizations and the competent non-governmental organizations in consultative status.

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### **1696 (LII). Draft convention and draft protocol on the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid***

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Bearing in mind* General Assembly resolution 2786 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971, which emphasizes the need to take further effective measures with a view to the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid*,

*Recognizing* that the preparation and adoption of an international instrument providing specific measures for the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid* would have great importance in the struggle to eliminate the shameful phenomenon of the present-day world,

*Taking note* of Commission on Human Rights resolution 4 (XXVIII) of 23 March 1972,<sup>65</sup> which contains, *inter alia*, a request to all Governments to communicate their comments and views concerning the draft convention and the draft protocol to the Secretary-General at the earliest possible date for consideration by the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session,

1. *Emphasizes* the great importance of the preparation and adoption of an international instrument for the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid* that could serve as a legal basis for uniting the efforts of all States with a view to eradicating the inhuman policies and practices of *apartheid*;

2. *Considers* it essential to complete at the earliest possible date the preparation of a draft international

<sup>65</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113)*, chap. XIII.



instrument for the suppression and punishment of the crime of *apartheid*:

3. *Requests* the General Assembly to consider this question as a matter of priority at its twenty-seventh session.

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**1697 (LII). Further studies on racial discrimination**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the recommendation made to the Council by the Commission on Human Rights in para-

graph 1 of its resolution 2 (XXVIII) of 17 March 1972,<sup>66</sup>

*Requests* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to continue its studies on racial discrimination and, in particular, to update the study entitled *Racial Discrimination*,<sup>67</sup> as appropriate, with special emphasis on discrimination based on colour.

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<sup>66</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>67</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.71.XIV.2.

**Decisions**

**Continued international action to combat racism and racial discrimination**

**(Item 8 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided to inform the General Assembly of the action taken by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1 (XXVIII) of 15 March 1972<sup>68</sup> with a view to the early implementation of the request contained in section I of General Assembly resolution 2784 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971.

**Reports of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts submitted under the Commission on Human Rights resolutions 8 (XXVI) and 7 (XXVII) and continuation of studies of policies and practices of racial discrimination**

**(Item 8 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council endorsed the request of the Commission on Human

<sup>68</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 7 (E/5113)*, chap. XIII.

Rights in operative paragraph 2 of its resolution 2 (XXVIII) of 17 March 1972 and decided to transmit to Member States, the Special Committee on *Apartheid* and the International Law Commission the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts concerning the question of *apartheid* from the point of view of international penal law,<sup>69</sup> submitted under resolution 8 (XXVI) of the Commission for their comments.

**Allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights**

**(Item 8 (c))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided that, since the Government of Lesotho had agreed, the Council should, in conformity with its resolution 277 (X) of 17 February 1950 (para. 1 (c) (ii)), refer the allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in Lesotho to the Fact-Finding and Conciliation Commission on Freedom of Association of the International Labour Organisation.

<sup>69</sup> E/CN.4/1075 and Corr.1.

**QUESTIONS RELATING TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**1674 (LII). Terms of reference of the Committee on Science and Technology**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having examined* the draft resolutions contained in documents E/AC.6/L.452 and E/AC.6/L.453,

*Decides:*

(a) To defer further discussion of the above draft resolutions to its fifty-third session;

(b) To postpone the first session of the Council Committee on Science and Technology.

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2 June 1972*

**1675 (LII). Question of United Nations sponsorship of the Protein Advisory Group**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Stressing again* the vital importance of the problem of protein malnutrition in developing countries,

*Taking note* of General Assembly resolution 2848 (XXVI) of 20 December 1971,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the question of United Nations sponsorship of the Protein Advisory Group,<sup>70</sup>

1. *Recommends* that the United Nations, including the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, become sponsors of the Protein Advisory Group and requests the Secretary-General to make appropriate provision, as proposed by him in his report, for this purpose in the budget estimates for 1973;

2. *Invites* the United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization secretariats as well as other secretariats concerned to co-operate fully in furthering the activities of the Protein Advisory Group.

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<sup>70</sup> E/5115.

## Decision

### World Plan of Action

#### (Item 11 (b))

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council, in the light of its resolution 1638 (LI) of 30 July 1971, decided to resume its consideration of the *World Plan of Action for the Application of Science and Technology to Development*<sup>71</sup> at its fifty-third session, and request the Committee on Science and Technology to consider this question at its first substantive session.

<sup>71</sup> United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.71.II.A.18.

## SPECIAL QUESTIONS

### 1655 (LII). Assistance in the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Sudanese refugees

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recognizing* that the settlement by the Government of the Sudan of the internal political situation involving the southern Sudan has underlined the need to resolve without delay the serious problem of refugees and displaced persons from and in that part of the country,

*Stressing* the importance, recognized in General Assembly resolution 2789 (XXVI) of 6 December 1971, of voluntary repatriation as a permanent solution to such refugee problems and the useful role that United Nations bodies and non-governmental agencies can play in facilitating the rehabilitation of refugees who have voluntarily returned to their country of origin,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts of the Government of the Sudan which led to the settlement of a major civil strife;

2. *Welcomes* the arrangements made by the Secretary-General at the request of the Government of the Sudan for the co-ordination of relief and rehabilitation assistance in the southern part of the Sudan, and, also, the measures initiated under these arrangements and with the co-operation of the executive heads of the United Nations bodies and programmes concerned, by

the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in respect of immediate relief programmes and by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme in respect of longer term assistance;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the executive heads of the specialized agencies, the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund, the Executive Director of the World Food Programme, as well as non-governmental organizations concerned, to render the maximum possible assistance to the Government of the Sudan in the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Sudanese refugees coming from neighbouring countries and other displaced persons;

4. *Urges* all States Members of the United Nations or members of specialized agencies to provide all possible assistance to the Government of the Sudan in the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of these refugees and displaced persons;

5. *Invites* all Member States providing such assistance to avail themselves to the fullest possible extent of the co-ordination machinery established by the Secretary-General.

*1816th plenary meeting  
1 June 1972*

## Decisions

### Non-governmental organizations

#### (Item 12)

At its 1814th meeting, on 15 May 1972, the Council decided:

(a) to reclassify the following non-governmental organizations as follows:

#### CATEGORY I

International Council on Social Welfare

#### CATEGORY II

Inter-American Federation of Touring and Automobile Clubs

International Automobile Federation

International Council on Alcoholism and Addictions

International Federation of Beekeepers' Associations

International Federation of Landscape Architects

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

#### ROSTER

World Union for Progressive Judaism

(b) to place in Category II or on the Roster the following non-governmental organizations which have newly applied for consultative status:

#### CATEGORY II

Federation for the Respect of Man and Humanity

International Association Against Painful Experiments on Animals

International Civil Airport Association

International Co-operation for Socio-Economic Development

International Federation of Resistance Movements

International Rural Housing Association

Pan-African Institute for Development

#### ROSTER

European Association of Refrigeration Enterprises

International Board of Co-operation for the Developing Countries

International Federation of Pedestrians

Society for Social Responsibility in Science

The Pio Mansú International Research Centre for Environmental Structures

The Population Council

At the same meeting, the Council took note of a note by the Secretary-General<sup>72</sup> informing it of the Secretary-General's intention to place the following organizations on the Roster:

Association internationale des parlementaires de langue française

Committee for International Co-ordination of National Research in Demography

Commonwealth Human Ecology Council

Friends of the Earth

International Association on Water Pollution Research

At the same meeting, the Council, after taking note of chapters I, III and IV, approved the report of its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations.<sup>73</sup>

<sup>72</sup> E/5094.

<sup>73</sup> E/5098.

## Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination

### (Item 13)

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council took note of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its eleventh session<sup>74</sup> and, in the light of paragraph 35 of the report, decided that the reports of the World Health Organization and the World Meteorological Organization should be chosen for in-depth examination at the Council's fifty-third session.

### Measures to improve the Council's methods of work and structure

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council agreed to establish an informal working group, under the chairmanship of the President, to consider measures to improve the Council's methods of work and structure.

<sup>74</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 13 (E/5159).*

## OTHER DECISIONS

### Election of officers of the Council for 1972

#### (Item 1\*)

At its 1809th meeting, on 5 January 1972, the Council elected Mr. Károly Szarka (Hungary) President of the Council for 1972. At its 1810th meeting, on 6 January 1972, the Council also elected the following three Vice-Presidents: Mr. S.A. Frazão (Brazil), Miss P.G. Lim (Malaysia) and Mr. J. V. Scott (New Zealand).

At its 1812th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council decided, upon the recommendation of the President, that Mr. Frazão would be Chairman of the Economic Committee, Miss Lim Chairman of the Social Committee and Mr. Scott Chairman of the Co-ordination Committee.

### Election of vice-chairmen of the sessional committees

#### (Item 1)

At its 1814th meeting, on 15 May 1972, the Council decided that the sessional committees should each be invited at their first meetings to elect a vice-chairman in accordance with rule 26 of the Council's rules of procedure.

### Actions arising out of decisions of the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session

#### (Item 9\*)

1. At its 1810th and 1811th meetings, on 6 January 1972, the Council revised and approved the recommendations made by the Secretary-General in section A of his note on actions arising out of decisions taken by the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session<sup>76</sup> regarding inscription of some questions on the provisional agenda of specific sessions of the Council, transmittal of relevant General Assembly resolutions to the subsidiary bodies concerned and, in some instances, consideration of the matters referred to those bodies in the context of their reports.

2. The Council also decided:

(a) To draw the attention of all subsidiary bodies, when preparing their reports to the Council, to the principles set forth in paragraph 3 of General Assembly resolution 2836 (XXVI) entitled "Publications and documentation of the United Nations" and to the analogous guidelines laid down in Council resolution 1623 (LI), section III, and to request them to ensure their observance in reports submitted to the Council in future;

(b) That verbatim or summary records shall not be provided for a newly established subsidiary body of

the Council—rule 43 of the rules of procedure of the Council notwithstanding—or for a special meeting or conference, unless they are specifically authorized in the enabling resolution. This decision will not apply to the Committee on Review and Appraisal or to the Committee on Science and Technology, for which the provision of summary records was authorized in accordance with the decision adopted by the Council at its 1808th meeting, on 20 December 1971;

(c) To transmit the relevant recommendations contained in the report on the programme of recurrent publications of the United Nations<sup>76</sup> to those of its subsidiary bodies concerned which are scheduled to meet in the first half of 1972 (Working Group of the Statistical Commission, Commission on Human Rights, the regional economic commissions, Committee for Development Planning) and to request them to transmit their observations through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to the Council at its fifty-third session; and to consider the observations of the subsidiary bodies concerned and the remaining recommendations contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit by including a sub-item under item 18 in the list of items proposed for inclusion in the agenda of the fifty-third session;<sup>77</sup>

(d) To endorse the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>78</sup> that circulation of the comments of specialized agencies on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit should normally be limited to those which can be issued in time for the discussion of the Unit's reports in the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination.

3. Finally, the Council took note of sections B and C of the note by the Secretary-General.

### Basic programme of work of the Council in 1972 and consideration of the provisional agenda for the fifty-second session

#### (Item 10\*)

At its 1812th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council approved the provisional agenda for its fifty-second session and the list of items for its fifty-third session appearing in the draft programme of work prepared by the Secretary-General,<sup>79</sup> after deciding to defer the question of permanent sovereignty over natural resources of developing countries from the fifty-second to the fifty-third session, and taking into account the decisions adopted at its 1810th meeting, on 6 January 1972, regarding actions arising out of decisions taken by the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session.

<sup>76</sup> A/8362.

<sup>77</sup> See E/L.1469 and Corr.1.

<sup>78</sup> A/8503, para. 5.

<sup>79</sup> E/L.1469 and Corr.1.

\* Agenda item of the organizational meetings.

<sup>75</sup> E/L.1468 and Corr.1 and 2 and E/L.1468/Add.1 and 2.

**Organization of work of the  
fifty-second session**

**(Item 10\*)**

At its 1812th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council took note of the tentative organization of work of the fifty-second session proposed by the Secretary-General<sup>80</sup> as well as of the various proposals put forward during the organizational meetings in the light of its decision taken earlier at the same meeting to convene its Economic Committee at the fifty-second session a few days after the convening of the session.

**Place of meeting of the next session of the  
Commission on Human Rights**

**(Item 8 (b))**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council decided to give favourable consideration, when it drew up its calendar for 1973, to the recommendation of the Commission on Human Rights that its twenty-ninth session should be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

**The provisional agenda for the  
fifty-third session**

**(Item 15)**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council approved the provisional agenda for the fifty-third session,<sup>81</sup> as amended in the course of the discussion, namely, by the postponement of items 5, 7, 9 (c), 11 (f), 17 and 18 to the fifty-fourth session and item 15 to the resumed fifty-third session, which was to begin a few days before the opening of the twenty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

**Financial implications of the recommendations  
of the commissions and committees of the Council**

At its 1818th meeting, on 2 June 1972, the Council took note of a note by the Secretary-General on the financial implications of the recommendations of the commissions and committees of the Council.<sup>82</sup>

**Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development**

**(Items 4\* and 14)**

At its 1812th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council, while taking note of the reservations and observations expressed by members of the Council, appointed as members of the Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology to Development, for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 1972, the 22 nominees proposed by the Secretary-General:<sup>83</sup>

Mr. Pierre Victor Auger  
Mr. A. H. Bunting  
Mr. Mourad Castel  
Mr. Carlos Chagas  
Mr. Wilbert K. Chagula

Mr. Ricardo Diez-Hochleitner  
Mr. G. M. Gvishiani  
Mr. J. George Harrar  
Mr. Alexander Keynan  
Mr. Thorkil Kristensen  
Sir Arthur Lewis  
Mr. Takashi Mukaibo  
Mr. Leonard Mukendi  
Mr. L. Rousseau  
Mr. Frederick T. Sai  
Mr. Abdus Salam  
Mr. Irimie Staicu  
Mr. Victor Luis Urquidi  
Mr. José Valenzuela  
Mr. N. B. Videnov  
Sir Ronald Walker  
Mr. Mohammed Yeganeh

At the same meeting, the Council authorized the Secretary-General to appoint the remaining two members on an interim basis.

At its 1815th meeting, on 17 May 1972, the Council confirmed the nominations of the remaining two members of the Advisory Committee, who had been appointed on an interim basis by the Secretary-General,<sup>84</sup> for a term ending on 31 December 1974:

Mr. M. G. K. Menon  
Mr. Josef Novák.

**Appointment of members of the Committee for  
Development Planning**

**(Item 5\*)**

At its 1812th meeting on 7 January 1972, the Council appointed as members of the Committee for Development Planning, for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 1972, the following 23 nominees proposed by the Secretary-General:<sup>85</sup>

Mr. Chedly Ayari  
Mrs. Ester Boserup  
Mr. Gamani Corea  
Mr. William G. Demas  
Mr. Paul Kaya  
Mr. Janos Kornai  
Mr. V. M. Kirichenko  
Mr. J. A. Lacarte  
Mr. John P. Lewis  
Mr. Ian M. D. Little  
Mr. J. H. Mensah  
Mr. G. Reza Moghadam  
Mr. Philip Ndegwa  
Mr. Saburo Okita  
Mr. H. M. A. Onitiri  
Mr. Józef Pajestka  
Mr. Giuseppe Parenti  
Mr. K. N. Raj  
Mr. Jean Ripert  
Mr. Germánico Salgado

\* Agenda item of the organizational meetings.

<sup>80</sup> E/L.1474.

<sup>81</sup> E/L.1488 and Corr.1.

<sup>82</sup> E/5157.

<sup>83</sup> E/5088 and Add.1 and 2.

<sup>84</sup> E/5088/Add.3.

<sup>85</sup> E/5087.

Mr. Leopoldo Solís  
Mr. Jan Tinbergen  
Mr. Widjojo Nitisastro

At the same meeting, the Council authorized the Secretary-General to appoint the remaining member on an interim basis.

**Confirmation of members of functional commissions of the Council**

**(Item 8\*)**

At its 1812th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council confirmed the appointment of the following representatives, nominated by their Governments, as members of functional commissions of the Council:

**STATISTICAL COMMISSION**

Mr. Jan Kazimour (Czechoslovakia)  
Mr. P. C. Mahalanobis (India)  
Mr. S. S. Heyer (Kenya)  
Mr. Ramesh Chander (Malaysia)  
Mr. Juan Manuel Caballero Díaz (Panama)  
Mr. Gonzalo Arnaiz Vellando (Spain)  
Mr. Kajit Buajitti (Thailand)  
Mr. N. N. Artemiev (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

**POPULATION COMMISSION**

Mr. Alfred Sauvy (France)  
Mrs. Roesiah Sardjono (Indonesia)  
Mr. Abdelkader Laraqui (Morocco)  
Mrs. Mercedes B. Concepcion (Philippines)  
Mrs. Inga Thorsson (Sweden)  
Mr. V. F. Burlin (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

**COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Albert Delpérée (Belgium)  
Mr. Vincente Sánchez (Chile)  
Mr. José Luis Molina Quesada (Costa Rica)  
Mr. Eudoro Sánchez y Sánchez (Dominican Republic)  
Mr. Jacques Megret (France)  
Mr. Marion Efraín Nájera Farfán (Guatemala)  
Mrs. Memet Tanumidjaja (Indonesia)  
Mr. Laminé Diabaté (Ivory Coast)  
Mr. Hector Gibson (Jamaica)  
Mr. Hassan Kaid Abdilleh (Somalia)  
Mr. Duncan Fairn (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)  
Mrs. Jean Picket (United States of America)

**COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

Mr. Humberto Díaz Casanueva (Chile)<sup>86</sup>  
Mr. Rafael Gumucio (Chile)  
Mr. Carlos García Bauer (Guatemala)  
Mrs. Leela Damodara Menon (India)  
Mr. Giuseppe Sperduti (Italy)

\* Agenda item of the organizational meetings.

<sup>86</sup> Mr. Díaz Casanueva was nominated in replacement of Mr. Gumucio following Chile's re-election to the Commission.

Mr. Sleiman El-Zein (Lebanon)  
Mr. Adeitan Ayinde Adediran (Nigeria)  
Mr. Jens Evensen (Norway)  
Mr. Agha Shahi (Pakistan)  
Mr. Mario Alzamora Valdez (Peru)  
Mr. Eugeniusz Kułaga (Poland)  
Mr. Ion Datcu (Romania)  
Mr. M. N. Rattanse (United Republic of Tanzania)  
Mrs. Rita Hauser (United States of America)  
Mr. Nicolas Dofunga (Zaire)

**COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

Mrs. Carmen Gloria Aguayo Iribarra de Sota (Chile)  
Miss Lilia Sánchez (Colombia)  
Miss Jeanne Chaton (France)  
Miss Taki Fujita (Japan)  
Mrs. Rhoebe Asiyo (Kenya)  
Mrs. Eugenia Stevenson (Liberia)  
Mrs. Eva Kolstad (Norway)  
Mrs. Leticia Ramos Shahani (Philippines)  
Mrs. Florica Paula Andrei (Romania)

**Appointment of two members of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control**

**(Item 6\*)**

At its 1810th meeting, on 6 January 1972, the Council appointed as members of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control, for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 1972, the following two nominees proposed by the Secretary-General:<sup>87</sup>

Mr. Jorge Arturo Montero Castro  
Mr. Atsushi Nagashima.

**Election of 27 additional members of the sessional committees of the Council**

**(Item 7\*)**

At its 1813th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council elected the following 27 States to serve as members of the enlarged sessional committees of the Council for the year 1972, effective as of the date of election:

ARGENTINA, AUSTRIA, BARBADOS, BOTSWANA, BULGARIA, CAMEROON, CANADA, CONGO, DENMARK, EGYPT, INDIA, INDONESIA, MEXICO, NETHERLANDS, PAKISTAN, PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF YEMEN, PHILIPPINES, ROMANIA, RWANDA, SENEGAL, SPAIN, SUDAN, SWEDEN, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, UKRAINIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, VENEZUELA and YEMEN.

**Election of the 13 members of the Council Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

**(Item 7\*)**

At its 1813th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council elected the 13 States indicated below as members of its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to serve for one year following their election:

<sup>87</sup> E/5089.

BOLIVIA, FRANCE, GHANA, GREECE, HUNGARY, JAPAN, KENYA, MALAYSIA, PERU, TUNISIA, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

## STATISTICAL COMMISSION<sup>88</sup>

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	1975
Belgium	1973
Brazil	1976
Czechoslovakia	1975
France	1976
Ghana	1975
Hungary	1976
India	1975
Ireland	1973
Japan	1976
Kenya	1975
Libyan Arab Republic	1973
Malaysia	1975
Morocco	1973
Spain	1975
Sweden	1976
Uganda	1973
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1975
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1976
United States of America	1973
Uruguay	1973
Venezuela	1973

### Election of members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

(Item 7\*)

At its 1813th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council elected 10 members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for a period of three years beginning on 1 August 1972.

The membership of the Executive Board for the period 1 August 1972 to 31 July 1973 will be as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 July</i>
Algeria	1974
Bulgaria	1975
Canada	1974
Chile	1975
China	1973
Congo	1975
Costa Rica	1973
Egypt	1973
Federal Republic of Germany	1974
France	1973
Gabon	1973
India	1974
Indonesia	1975
Italy	1973
Malawi	1973
Nigeria	1975
Norway	1974
Pakistan	1974
Philippines	1975
Poland	1973
Romania	1974
Sweden	1975
Switzerland	1975
Thailand	1974
Turkey	1975
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1975
United States of America	1973
Uruguay	1974
Venezuela	1974

### Election of members of the functional commissions of the Council

(Item 7\* and 14)

At its 1813th, 1815th and 1818th meetings, on 7 January, 17 May and 2 June 1972, the Council held elections to fill the seats falling vacant at the end of 1973 in the functional commissions. At its 1816th meeting, on 1 June 1972, the Council decided to defer to the fifty-third session the election of members of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

In 1973 the composition of the Statistical Commission, the Population Commission, the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on the Status of Women will be as follows:

## POPULATION COMMISSION

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Barbados	1973
Brazil	1976
Costa Rica	1976
Denmark	1976
Egypt	1975
France	1975
Gabon	1973
Ghana	1975
Haiti	1973
Indonesia	1975
Iran	1973
Japan	1973
Morocco	1975
Netherlands	1976
Niger	1976
Peru	1975
Philippines	1975
Romania	1976
Rwanda	1976
Sweden	1975
Thailand	1976
Tunisia	1973
Turkey	1976
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1975
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1973
United States of America	1973

## COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Austria	1976
Belgium	1975
Cameroon	1974
Chile	1976
Colombia	1976
Costa Rica	1974
Cyprus	1974
Czechoslovakia	1976

<sup>88</sup> One seat is to be filled from the Asian States at the fifty-third session of the Council.

\* Agenda item of the organizational meetings.

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Dominican Republic	1975
Egypt	1974
France	1975
India	1975
Indonesia	1975
Iraq	1976
Italy	1976
Ivory Coast	1975
Jamaica	1974
Japan	1974
Mauritania	1976
New Zealand	1976
Nigeria	1975
Somalia	1974
Spain	1974
Sudan	1976
Thailand	1976
Tunisia	1974
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1975
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1975
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1974
United States of America	1975
Uruguay	1975
Yugoslavia	1974

#### COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Austria	1973
Bulgaria	1975
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	1974
Chile	1974
Dominican Republic	1975
Ecuador	1974
Egypt	1974
France	1973
Ghana	1975
India	1973
Iran	1974
Iraq	1975
Italy	1974
Lebanon	1973
Mauritius	1973
Mexico	1973
Netherlands	1975
Nicaragua	1975
Nigeria	1974
Norway	1974
Pakistan	1973
Philippines	1973
Romania	1974
Senegal	1974
Tunisia	1975
Turkey	1975
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1975
United Republic of Tanzania	1973
United States of America	1974
Venezuela	1973
Zaire	1975

#### COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	1975
Belgium	1976
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	1974
Canada	1976
Central African Republic	1974

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Chile	1975
China	1976
Colombia	1976
Costa Rica	1975
Dominican Republic	1974
Egypt	1976
Finland	1974
France	1975
Greece	1976
Guinea	1976
Hungary	1976
India	1976
Indonesia	1974
Japan	1975
Kenya	1975
Liberia	1975
Madagascar	1976
Nicaragua	1976
Nigeria	1974
Norway	1975
Philippines	1975
Romania	1975
Thailand	1974
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1974
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1974
United States of America	1974
Zaire	1974

#### Election of members of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning

##### (Item 14)

At its 1815th meeting, on 17 May 1972, the Council held elections to fill the seats falling vacant in the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning at the end of 1972.

The composition of the Committee for 1973 will be as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Australia	1973
Austria	1975
Brazil	1973
Bulgaria	1973
Cameroon	1975
Colombia	1973
Czechoslovakia	1976
Egypt	1976
Finland	1973
France	1975
Guatemala	1976
India	1975
Indonesia	1976
Iran	1976
Libyan Arab Republic	1973
Malaysia	1973
Nigeria	1975
Pakistan	1973
Panama	1975
Togo	1976
Trinidad and Tobago	1975
Tunisia	1973
Spain	1976
Uganda	1976
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1975
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1975
United States of America	1976



**Election of members of the Committee  
on Natural Resources<sup>89</sup>**

(Items 7\* and 14)

At its 1813th meeting, on 7 January 1972, the Council elected COLOMBIA and NIGERIA as members of the Committee on Natural Resources.

At the same meeting, the Council, by drawing lots, determined the term of office of the Committee members elected at its 1808th and 1813th meetings:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Ceylon	1974
Colombia	1972
Costa Rica	1972
Greece	1974
Hungary	1974
Kuwait	1974
Malaysia	1972
Nigeria	1972
Sudan	1974
Trinidad and Tobago	1974
Uganda	1972
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1974
Zaire	1972

At its 1815th meeting, on 17 May 1972, the Council held elections to fill the seats falling vacant in the Committee on Natural Resources at the end of 1972.

The composition of the Committee for 1973 will be as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	1976
Argentina	1974
Australia	1974
Austria	1976
Bolivia	1976
Brazil	1976
Canada	1976
Central African Republic	1974
Ceylon	1974
Chile	1976
Egypt	1974
France	1974
Gabon	1974
Ghana	1976
Greece	1974
Guatemala	1976
Guinea	1974
Hungary	1974
India	1976
Indonesia	1974
Iran	1974
Iraq	1974
Italy	1974
Jamaica	1976
Japan	1976
Kenya	1974
Kuwait	1974
Libyan Arab Republic	1976
Malawi	1976
Malaysia	1976
Mali	1976
Netherlands	1974
Norway	1974
Pakistan	1974
Peru	1976

\* Agenda item of the organizational meetings.

<sup>89</sup> Two seats remain to be filled at the fifty-third session from Western European and other States, one for a term of office of four years and one for a term of office of two years.

*Term of office  
expires on  
31 December*

Philippines	1976
Poland	1974
Romania	1976
Rwanda	1976
Sudan	1974
Sweden	1974
Syrian Arab Republic	1976
Trinidad and Tobago	1974
Turkey	1974
Uganda	1976
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1974
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1976
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1976
Uruguay	1976
Venezuela	1976
Yugoslavia	1974
Zaire	1976

**Election of members of the Committee for  
Programme and Co-ordination**

(Item 14)

At its 1815th and 1818th meetings, on 17 May and 2 June 1972, the Council held elections to fill the seats falling vacant in the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at the end of 1972.

The composition of the Committee for 1973 will be as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Belgium	1975
Brazil	1974
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	1975
Colombia	1973
Denmark	1975
France	1973
Guyana	1975
Hungary	1975
India	1974
Indonesia	1974
Japan	1974
Kenya	1974
Nigeria	1973
Pakistan	1975
Sudan	1973
Trinidad and Tobago	1973
Uganda	1974
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1975
United Republic of Tanzania	1974
United States of America	1973

**Election of members of the Committee on Science  
and Technology<sup>90</sup>**

(Item 14)

At its 1815th and 1818th meetings, on 17 May and 2 June 1972, the Council elected 41 members of the Committee on Science and Technology and, by drawing lots, determined the term of office of the Committee members as follows:

<sup>90</sup> Thirteen seats remain to be filled at the fifty-third session, for a term of office of six months beginning on 1 June 1972: five from the African States, six from the Asian States and two from Western European and other States.

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>		<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	1973	Honduras	1973
Argentina	1973	Hungary	1975
Australia	1973	India	1975
Austria	1973	Indonesia	1975
Belgium	1973	Italy	1975
Brazil	1974	Japan	1975
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	1974	Kenya	1973
Canada	1972	Mauritania	1975
Chile	1973	Mexico	1975
Czechoslovakia	1974	Netherlands	1973
Egypt	1974	Nigeria	1973
France	1974	Norway	1975
Ghana	1973	Pakistan	1975
Guatemala	1974	Peru	1975
Haiti	1972	Philippines	1975
India	1974	Poland	1975
Indonesia	1974	Senegal	1975
Italy	1974	Spain	1975
Jamaica	1973	Sweden	1975
Japan	1973	Tunisia	1975
Kenya	1974	Turkey	1975
Malawi	1973	Uganda	1973
Mexico	1973	Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1975
Mongolia	1972	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1975
Netherlands	1972	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1973
Pakistan	1974	United States of America	1975
Peru	1974	Venezuela	1973
Poland	1974	Yugoslavia	1975
Romania	1974		
Senegal	1973		
Spain	1972		
Sudan	1973		
Sweden	1973		
Tunisia	1974		
Uganda	1973		
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1973		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1974		
United States of America	1974		
Uruguay	1974		
Venezuela	1973		
Yugoslavia	1973		

### Election of members of the Committee on Review and Appraisal<sup>91</sup>

#### (Item 14)

At its 1815th and 1818th meetings, on 17 May and 2 June 1972, the Council elected 43 members of the Committee on Review and Appraisal and, by drawing lots, determined the term of office of the Committee members as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>		<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	1975	Australia	1973
Austria	1973	Austria	1975
Belgium	1973	Belgium	1973
Bolivia	1973	Brazil	1973
Brazil	1975	Bulgaria	1974
Cameroon	1973	Canada	1973
Canada	1973	Central African Republic	1973
Ceylon	1975	Chile	1975
Chile	1975	Cuba	1975
Colombia	1973	Denmark	1975
Czechoslovakia	1975	Ecuador	1974
France	1973	Ethiopia	1974
Ghana	1975	Federal Republic of Germany	1974
Greece	1973	Finland	1974
Guatemala	1973	France	1973
		India	1975
		Indonesia	1973
		Iran	1975
		Iraq	1974
		Italy	1975
		Jamaica	1975
		Japan	1975
		Kuwait	1973
		Lebanon	1974
		Libyan Arab Republic	1973
		Malaysia	1975
		Morocco	1975
		Netherlands	1974
		Nigeria	1974
		Norway	1973
		Pakistan	1973
		Poland	1974

<sup>91</sup> Eleven seats remain to be filled at the fifty-third session, for a term of office ending on 31 December 1973: six from the African States and five from the Asian States.

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Romania .....	1973
Sudan .....	1975
Sweden .....	1973
Switzerland .....	1974
Togo .....	1975
Trinidad and Tobago .....	1974
Turkey .....	1974
Uganda .....	1973
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics .....	1975
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	1975
United States of America .....	1975
Upper Volta .....	1974
Uruguay .....	1974
Yugoslavia .....	1974
Zaire .....	1973
Zambia .....	1973

**Election of members of the United Nations/FAO  
Intergovernmental Committee of the World  
Food Programme**

**(Item 14)**

At its 1815th meeting, on 17 May 1972, the Council elected the following four States members of the United Nations/FAO Intergovernmental Committee of the World Food Programme for a term of office of three

years, beginning on 1 January 1973: JAPAN, NORWAY, PAKISTAN and SUDAN.

The membership of the Committee for 1973 is as follows:

	<i>Term of office expires on 31 December</i>
Australia .....	1973
Canada <sup>a</sup> .....	1974
Denmark .....	1974
Federal Republic of Germany <sup>a</sup> .....	1973
France <sup>a</sup> .....	1973
Hungary .....	1974
India <sup>a</sup> .....	1974
Japan .....	1975
Kenya .....	1973
New Zealand <sup>a</sup> .....	1973
Norway .....	1975
Pakistan .....	1975
Peru .....	1973
Sudan .....	1975
Togo .....	1974
Trinidad and Tobago <sup>a</sup> .....	1974
Turkey .....	1974
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	1973
United States of America <sup>a</sup> .....	1974
Uruguay .....	1973

<sup>a</sup> Member elected by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

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\*\* The draft resolution recommended by the Commission on the Status of Women was entitled "Programme of work and establishment of priorities" (see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Fifty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/5109 and Add.1)*, chap. IX, draft resolution II).

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