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RESOLUTION

1998/1. Proclamation of international years

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly decision 35/424 of 5 December 1980 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996, in which, inter alia, the Assembly stressed, in annex I, paragraphs 66 and 67, that the primary function of the general segment should be an action-oriented review of the activities, reports and recommendations of the Council's subsidiary bodies, and that the Council should regularly review the agenda of its general segment with a view to discontinuing consideration of items not relevant to the work of its subsidiary machinery or duplicative of items on the agenda of the General Assembly,

Reaffirming the importance of the guidelines for international years and anniversaries, adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 35/424, for the consideration of proposals for the proclamation of international years,

Recognizing the need to provide for effective arrangements for the proclamation of international years,

Recommends that the General Assembly decide that, starting from the year 1999, proposals for the proclamation of international years should be submitted directly to the Assembly for consideration and action, unless the Assembly decides to bring them to the attention of the Council for evaluation in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned guidelines.

DECISIONS

1998/201. Regional cooperation

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 3 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided to consider at its substantive session of 1998, under the item entitled "Regional cooperation", in pursuance of Council resolution 1982/50 of 28 July 1982 and taking into account the joint recommendations made by the executive secretaries of the regional commissions pursuant to Council decision 1982/174 of 30 July 1982, the question of review and reform of the regional commissions, on the understanding that the topic would also be considered in conjunction with the item entitled "Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B".

1998/202. Elections to subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, nominations and confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions

At its 2nd and 3rd plenary meetings, on 3 and 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections postponed from previous sessions

COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Council postponed to a future session the election of two members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000 and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2001.

COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

The following four Member States were elected: BAHAMAS, BOLIVIA, PORTUGAL and URUGUAY.

In accordance with its decision 1995/312, the Council drew lots to determine the terms of office of the elected members from Latin American and Caribbean States. It was thus decided that BAHAMAS, BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, CUBA and PANAMA would serve for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999; and that BOLIVIA, COSTA RICA, JAMAICA, URUGUAY and VENEZUELA would serve for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2001.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of eight members from Asian States, one member from Eastern European States and six members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP OF EXPERTS ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

The following three Member States were elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999: ARGENTINA, SPAIN and THAILAND.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1999.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

The Council postponed to a future session the election of one expert from Asian States, one expert from Eastern European States and two experts from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

COMMITTEE ON NEW AND RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY AND ON ENERGY FOR DEVELOPMENT

The Council postponed to a future session the election of six experts from African States and two experts from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on a date to be determined by lot.

COMMITTEE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS POPULATION AWARD

The Council elected ROMANIA for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

The Council postponed to a future session the election of three members from African States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

PROGRAMME COORDINATION BOARD OF THE JOINT AND CO-SPONSORED UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME ON HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS/ACOUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY SYNDROME

The Council elected ALGERIA for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2000.

Nomination postponed from previous sessions

COMMITTEE FOR PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION

The Council postponed to a future session the nomination of one member from Western European and other States.

Confirmations

At its 2nd plenary meeting, the Council confirmed the nominations by their Governments of the following representatives on the functional commissions of the Council.¹

¹ See E/1998/L.2 and Corr.1 and Add.1

COMMISSION ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Bruno de Risios BATH (Brazil)

Nam-Hoon CHO (Republic of Korea)

Igor A. ZLOKAZOV (Russian Federation)

Damrong BOONYOEN (Thailand)

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Gerald GAHIMA (Rwanda)

Audrey GLOVER (United Kingdom of Great Britain

and Northern Ireland)

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Maria ARSENI (Greece)

Christine Umutoni NYINAWUMWANI (Rwanda)

COMMISSION ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

ZHANG Yishan (China)

1998/203. <u>Provisional agenda for the resumed organizational</u> session of 1998 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided to include in the provisional agenda for its resumed organizational session of 1998 the item entitled "Social and human rights questions: advancement of women".

 $\frac{\text{Provisional agenda for the 1998 session of the}}{\text{Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations}}$

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council approved the provisional agenda for the 1998 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations set out below.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE 1998 SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 1. Election of officers.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
- 3. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations:
 - (a) Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from the resumed 1997 session of the Committee;
 - (b) New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification.
- 4. Review of quadrennial reports deferred from the resumed 1997 session.
- 5. Implementation of Economic and Social Council decision 1996/302.
- 6. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 and decision 1995/304.
- 7. Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/32.
- 8. Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolution 1994/50.
- 9. Provisional agenda and documentation for the session of the Committee to be held in 1999.
- 10. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

1998/205. Humanitarian affairs segment

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council, recalling General Assembly resolution 52/12 B, decided:

- (a) That the humanitarian affairs segment, established in accordance with Assembly resolution 52/12 B, should be held for a period of two days during the substantive session of 1998 of the Council, without setting a precedent for future arrangements for that segment;
- (b) That practical arrangements for the segment, as requested by the Assembly in its resolution 52/12 B, should be the subject of consideration by the Council and should be part of the review of its organization and methods of work, taking into account the experience gained at its 1998 substantive session, and the impact that holding the segment during the substantive session would have on the effectiveness of the work of the session as a whole.

1998/206. Working arrangements for the substantive session of 1998 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided that:

- (a) The high-level segment of its substantive session of 1998 should be held from 6 to 8 July;
- (b) The operational activities segment should be held on 9, 10, 13 and 14 July;
 - (c) The humanitarian affairs segment should be held on 15 and 16 July;
 - (d) The coordination segment should be held on 17, 20 and 21 July;
 - (e) The general segment should be held from 22 to 30 July;
- (f) 31 July should be devoted to the adoption of proposals and the conclusion of the session.

1998/207. Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs acting as the preparatory body for the special session of the General Assembly devoted to the fight against the illicit production, sale, demand, traffic and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and related activities

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided, notwithstanding the provisions of its resolution 1996/17 of 23 July 1996 and without setting a precedent for future special sessions of the General Assembly for which the functional commissions of the Council may be requested to act as preparatory bodies, to transmit directly to the Assembly at its fifty-second session the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs acting as the preparatory body for the special session of the General Assembly devoted to the fight against the illicit production, sale, demand, traffic and distribution of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and related activities.

1998/208. <u>Provisional agenda for the substantive session</u> of 1998 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed programme of work for 1998 and 1999, approved the following provisional agenda for its substantive session of 1998:

² E/1998/1.

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

High-level segment

2. Market access: <u>developments since the Uruguay Round, implications, opportunities and challenges, in particular for the developing countries and the least developed among them, in the context of globalization and liberalization</u>

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1997/319)

World Economic and Social Survey, 1998

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

- 3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation:
 - (a) Advancement of women: implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the role of operational activities in promoting, in particular, capacity-building and resource mobilization for enhancing the participation of women in development

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1997/319)

Documentation for information

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the revised system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001 (Council resolution 1996/34) (see also item 14 (a))

(b) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial policy review of operational activities for development undertaken by the United Nations system (General Assembly resolutions 50/120, 52/203 and 52/205 and Council resolutions 1996/42 and 1997/59)³

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the draft revised Guidelines for the Review of Policies and Procedures concerning Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (Assembly resolution 52/205)

³ Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

(c) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development
Programme and the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations
Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund (Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Council resolution 1997/59)

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Council resolution 1997/59)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolution 50/8 and Council resolution 1997/59)

Question to be addressed

Composition of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolution 50/8)

Coordination segment

4. Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following theme:

Coordinated follow-up to and implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1997/319)

Documentation for information

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its fifty-fourth session (Assembly resolutions 52/97 and 52/98) (see also item 14 (g))

Questions to be addressed

Protection and promotion of the rights and welfare of women migrant workers (Assembly resolution 52/97)

Trafficking in women and girls (Assembly resolution 52/98)

Right to development (Assembly resolution 52/136)

Humanitarian affairs segment

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations (Assembly resolution 46/182, annex, and Council decision 1997/218)³

Oral report on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Uganda (Council resolution 1983/46)

General segment

6. <u>Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United</u>
Nations conferences and summits

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on ways to enhance the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (Council resolution 1997/61)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the 1997 coordination segment of the Council on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (Assembly resolution 45/264)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the 1997 coordination segment of the Council on freshwater, including clean and safe water supply and sanitation (Assembly resolution 45/264)

7. Coordination, programme and other questions:

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-eighth session

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1997

(b) Malaria and diarrhoeal diseases, in particular cholera

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization (Council resolution 1995/63)

(c) Proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001

Documentation

Relevant chapters of the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-eighth session

(d) International cooperation in the field of informatics

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1997/1)

(e) Proclamation of an international year of mountains

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1997/45)

(f) International Year for the Culture of Peace, 2000

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Council resolution 1997/47)

8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1997/322)

Question to be addressed

Review of the mandates, composition, functions and working methods of the Council's functional commissions and expert groups and bodies (Assembly resolution 52/12 B)

Report of the Secretary-General on review and reform of the regional commissions (Assembly resolution 52/12 B and Council decision 1998/201) (see also item 10)

9. <u>Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence</u> to <u>Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations</u>

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII) and Assembly resolution 52/170)³

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 1997/66)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 1997/66 and Assembly resolution 52/73)

10. Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decisions 1979/1 and 1998/201)

Summary of the economic survey of Europe, 1997

Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Africa, 1997

Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Asia and the Pacific, 1998

Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 1997

Summary of economic and social developments in the region of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, 1997

11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 1997/67 and Assembly resolution $52/207^3$

12. Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and decisions 1995/304 and 1997/296)

Question to be addressed

Enlargement of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolution 1997/57)

13. Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

(a) Sustainable development

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its sixth session (Council decision 1993/207 and resolution 1997/63)

Question to be addressed

Guidelines for sustainable consumption patterns (Council resolution 1997/53)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 1997/53 on consumer protection

Report of the Committee for Development Planning on its thirty-second session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI))

Report of the Secretary-General on a vulnerability index for small island developing States (Assembly resolution 51/183)³

Report of the Secretary-General on products harmful to health and the environment (Assembly resolution 39/229)³

(b) Natural resources

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its fourth session (Council decisions 1992/218 and 1993/302)

(c) Energy

Report of the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development on its third session (Council decision 1992/218)

(d) International cooperation in tax matters

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress of the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII) and 1765 (LIV))

(e) Public administration and finance

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolution 50/225)³

Report of the Secretary-General on the Fourteenth Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance (Council resolution 1199 (XLII) and decision 1997/222)

(f) Cartography

Report of the Secretary-General on the Seventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names (Council decision 1997/213)

(g) Population and development

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-first session (Council decision 1997/220)

14. Social and human rights questions

Documentation

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para.68)

(a) Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women) 3

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-second session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI) and decision 1997/229)

Question to be addressed

High-level plenary review to appraise and assess the progress achieved in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women and the Beijing Platform for Action

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the revised system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001 (Council resolution 1996/34)

Report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (Assembly resolutions 50/203 and $52/100)^3$

(b) Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its thirty-sixth session (Council resolutions 10 (II) and 1996/7 and decision 1997/230)

Question to be addressed

Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly in 2000 for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development (Assembly resolution 52/25)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its seventh session (Council resolution 1992/1 and decision 1997/232)

Questions to be addressed

Final recommendations of the Commission on the programme for the Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (Assembly resolution 52/91)

Follow-up to the Naples Political Declaration and Global Action Plan against Organized Transnational Crime (Assembly resolution 52/85)

(d) Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-first session (Council resolution 9 (I) and decision 1997/233)

Summary of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

Report of the Secretary-General on the biennial update of the United Nations System-wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control (Assembly resolution 48/112, sect. IV)³

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees³

Oral report on the situation of refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa (Assembly resolution 52/101)

(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

<u>Documentation</u>

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolutions 49/146 and 52/111)

(g) Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its fifty-fourth session (Council resolutions 5 (I) and 9 (II) and Assembly resolutions 52/97 and 52/98)

Questions to be addressed

Protection and promotion of the rights and welfare of women migrant workers (Assembly resolution 52/97)

Trafficking in women and girls (Assembly resolution 52/98)

Right to development (Assembly resolution 52/136)

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)³

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (Assembly resolution 44/25, annex) 3

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action (Assembly resolution 48/121) (see also item $4)^3$

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Assembly resolution 48/141)³

Documentation for information

Reports submitted by States parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and by the specialized agencies

1998/209. Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1999

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work for 1999:

Substantive session of 1999

A. High-level segment

[Item/items to be selected]*

World Economic and Social Survey, 1999

B. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

Report of the Secretary-General

^{*} In resolution 52/190, the Assembly invited the Council to consider devoting one high-level segment before the year 2001 to human settlements and the implementation of the Habitat Agenda.

In resolutions 50/203 and 52/100, the Assembly invited the Council to consider devoting, before the year 2000, one high-level segment to the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women.

In resolution 52/86, the Assembly invited the Council to consider including the question of violence against women at the high-level segment of one of its forthcoming sessions, in the context of its discussion on the human rights of women.

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund (Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolution 50/8 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries³

C. Coordination segment

Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes:

[Theme/themes to be selected]

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations (Assembly resolution 46/182, annex)³

Oral report on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Uganda (Council resolution 1983/46)

E. General segment

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 1998 agreed conclusions of the Council (Assembly resolution 45/264)

Report of the Secretary-General on ways to enhance the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (Council resolution 1997/61)

Overall review of the theme of poverty eradication (Council resolution 1997/60)

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-ninth session

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-ninth session

Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (Council resolution 1997/52)

Draft calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for the biennium 2000-2001

Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of conference services by the Economic and Social Council

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

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))³

Regional cooperation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1), including the report of the Secretary-General on a subject relating to interregional cooperation of common interest to all regions (Council resolution 1982/50 and decision 1982/174)

Note by the Secretary-General on a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (Council resolution 1997/48)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Non-governmental organizations

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and decision 1995/304)

Economic and environmental questions

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

Sustainable development

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its seventh session (Council decision 1993/207)

Report of the Committee for Development Planning on its thirty-third session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI))

Science and technology for development

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its fourth session (Council decisions 1992/218, 1997/305 and 1997/306)

Statistics

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirtieth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and decision 1997/219)

Human settlements

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its seventeenth session (Assembly resolutions 32/162, 43/181 and 52/190)³

Environment

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twentieth session (Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII))³

Women in development

Report of the Secretary-General on the effective mobilization and integration of women in development (Assembly resolutions 42/178 and $52/195)^3$

Transport of dangerous goods

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods during the biennium 1997-1998 and on the implementation of Council resolution 1997/3 (Council resolutions 724 C (XXVIII), 1488 (XLVIII) and 1983/7)

Desertification and drought

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolutions 3054 (XXVIII) and 50/114 and Council resolution $1978/37)^3$

International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolution 44/236, annex)³

Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (article 34 of the Charter)³

Population and development

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-second session (Assembly resolution 49/128, para. 25, and Council decision 1995/209)

Social and human rights questions

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

Advancement of women

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)³

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-third session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))

Report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (Assembly resolutions 50/203 and $52/100)^3$

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Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees³

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1998/210. Postponement of consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its sixteenth session

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council decided to postpone to its resumed organizational session consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its sixteenth session⁴ and of the statement of the administrative and programme budget implications of those recommendations, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Council.⁵

 $^{^4}$ See E/1997/L.23 and Add.2.

⁵ E/1998/L.4.