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Promotion of international co-operation in the field of trade

Czechoslovakia and Romania: revised draft resolution

The General Assembly,

Having regard to the fact that continuous development of international trade is important for economic and social progress in the world,

Bearing in mind the difficulties which hamper the development of international trade in general and trade among less developed countries and industrially developed countries in particular,

Realizing the desirability of utilizing most effectively all means at the disposal of the Economic and Social Council and its regional economic commissions with a view to promoting and expanding trade and to furthering international co-operation aimed at the promotion of international trade,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 1158 (XII) on activities of the regional economic commissions,

1. Expresses its confidence that the Economic and Social Council and its regional economic commissions will continue to pay due attention to the needs of the development of international trade;

2. Invites the Economic and Social Council to continue consideration of all practical steps that can be initiated within the framework of its regional economic commissions and their trade organs towards the improvement of co-operation and towards co-ordination of efforts in the field of the development of trade, particularly with the less developed countries, including joint studies on trade among various regions on the lines of those already made and studies on possibilities of expansion of international trade with a view to assisting economic development of the less developed countries;

3. Requests the Economic and Social Council to include in its next annual report to the General Assembly the results produced by the studies and research undertaken pursuant to paragraph 2 above.

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