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### REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

#### Report of the Fifth Committee

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 24 September 1982, the General Assembly decided to include in its agenda the item entitled "Report of the Economic and Social Council" and to allocate chapters II, III (sects. A to G and K), IV (sects. A to C and E to K), V, VI (sects. A to C and E), VII, VIII and IX (sects. C, E, H, J and K) 1/ to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Committee noted various chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council in the context of its consideration of other items, notably item 103 (Programme budget for the biennium 1982-1983), item 104 (Programme planning), 108 (Pattern of conferences) and 109 (Control and limitation of documentation).

#### II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

##### A. Proposed statutes of the regional institutes for population studies at Accra and Yaoundé

3. At its 42nd meeting, on 23 November 1982, the Committee considered the proposed statutes of the regional institutes for population studies at Accra and Yaoundé. It had before it the note by the Secretary-General (A/37/236), and a report thereon by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/37/613).

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1/ A/37/3 (Parts I-III). To be issued subsequently as Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/37/3).

4. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly that it approve the proposed statutes of the regional institutes for population studies at Accra and Yaoundé as contained in document A/37/236, annexes I and II, respectively, and that it endorse the observations and understandings reflected in the report of the Advisory Committee (A/37/613) with respect to those statutes (see para. 7, draft decision I).

B. Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/50

5. At its 76th meeting, on 18 December, the Committee considered the question of the revitalization of the Economic and Social Council. At that meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly that it should endorse the recommendations of the Secretary-General as contained in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/50 of 28 July 1982 dealing with the revitalization of the Economic and Social Council (see para. 7, draft decision II).

C. Report of the Economic and Social Council

6. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council 1/ that had been allocated to the Fifth Committee (see para. 7, draft decision III).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

DRAFT DECISION I

Statutes of the regional institutes for population studies  
at Accra and Yaoundé

The General Assembly approves the proposed statutes of the regional institutes for population studies at Accra and Yaoundé 2/ and endorses the observations and understandings reflected in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. 3/

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2/ A/37/236, annexes I and II respectively.

3/ A/37/613.

DRAFT DECISION II

Revitalization of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly endorses the recommendations of the Secretary-General as contained in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/50 of 28 July 1982 dealing with the revitalization of the Economic and Social Council.

DRAFT DECISION III

Report of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly takes note of chapters II, III (sects. A to G and K), IV (sects. A to C and E to K), V, VI (sects. A to C and E), VII, VIII and IX (sects. C, E, H, J and K) of the report of the Economic and Social Council. 4/

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