

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Economic Commission for Africa: regional programming, operations, restructuring and decentralization issues",⁸³ which is one of a number of studies on progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 32/197, and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon,⁸⁴

1. Takes note of the recommendations contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit;

2. Approves the comments of the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit;

3. Decides to examine further the restructuring and decentralization issues, taking into account the comments of the Secretary-General;

4. Appeals to organizations of the United Nations system, in the context of the present resolution, to assist Governments of African States, within the framework of their country programming process, in incorporating the goals and objectives of the Lagos Plan of Action for the Implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the Economic Development of Africa⁸⁵ in their sectoral country programmes and projects, and in adapting them to subregional and regional priorities, and stresses the role of the resident co-ordinators in Africa in this respect;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures with regard to the recommendations contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit, in particular those which are urgent and require priority, and to report thereon to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1983;

6. Requests the General Assembly to consider appropriate measures to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of the above-mentioned measures, and requests the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the present resolution through the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1984 to the General Assembly at its thirty-ninth session.

*51st plenary meeting
30 July 1982*

1982/64. Establishment of a Standing Committee for the Programme of the Economic Commission for Western Asia

The Economic and Social Council

1. Endorses resolution 114 (IX) of 12 May 1982 of the Economic Commission for Western Asia⁸⁶ and decides to establish within the Commission a Standing Committee

⁸³ JIU/REP/82/1; transmitted to the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General (A/37/119).

⁸⁴ E/1982/L.44. Subsequently transmitted to the General Assembly in final form under the symbol A/37/119/Add.1.

⁸⁵ A/S-11/14, annex I.

⁸⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1982, Supplement No. 12 (E/1982/22)*, chap. I.

for the Programme, composed of all members of the Commission, as the main subsidiary organ of the Commission to assist it in the execution of its responsibilities for programme planning and review;

2. Decides that the Standing Committee shall function as the main subsidiary organ of the Commission for programme review, planning, programming, evaluation and co-ordination, and in that context, shall:

(a) Review the programmes of the Commission, as defined in the medium-term plan;

(b) Review the totality of the work programme of the Commission in the light of the availability of resources;

(c) Recommend an order of priority among the programmes and subprogrammes of the Commission, as defined in the medium-term plan;

(d) Give guidance to the Executive Secretary of the Commission on the design of the programme.

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1982/65. Activities of the Economic Commission for Africa

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New statutes of the Regional Institute for Population Studies at Accra and the Institut de formation et de recherche démographiques at Yaoundé

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling resolution 393 (XV) of 12 April 1980 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa,⁸⁷ by which the Conference endorsed the new statutes of the Regional Institute for Population Studies at Accra and the Institut de formation et de recherche démographiques at Yaoundé and recommended that the statutes should be submitted, through the Council, for approval by the General Assembly,

Recalling also resolution 426 (XVI) of 10 April 1981 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa,⁸⁸ by which the Conference submitted the new statutes to the General Assembly, through the Council

Recalling further Council decision 1981/189 of 24 July 1981, by which the Council endorsed the new statutes of the two institutes and recommended that the General Assembly should approve those statutes at its thirty-sixth session, in order to enable the institutes to become operational as soon as possible,

Noting General Assembly decision 36/450 of 18 December 1981, in which the Conference of Ministers of the Commission was requested to revise the draft statutes

⁸⁷ *Ibid.*, 1980, Supplement No. 7 (E/1980/27), part two, sect. D.

⁸⁸ *Ibid.*, 1981, Supplement No. 14 (E/1981/54), chap. I.