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2005/1

Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, 2003/16 of 21 July 2003, 2003/50 of 24 July 2003, 2004/2 of 3 May 2004 and 2004/59 and 2004/60 of 23 July 2004, and its decision 2003/311 of 22 August 2003,

Having taken note of the oral report by the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi, ¹

Recognizing the importance of maintaining the momentum in consolidating the peace process in Burundi,

- 1. Commends those donors that have provided support to Burundi, and calls for rapid disbursement of funds committed at the Forum of Development Partners, held in Brussels on 13 and 14 January 2004;
- 2. Requests the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi to continue to follow closely the humanitarian situation and economic and social conditions, to examine the transition from relief to development in Burundi and the way in which the international community supports the process and to report, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session in 2005;
- 3. Decides to consider the reports of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi at its substantive session of 2005, requests that the report of the Group to that session describe, inter alia, how the Group has fulfilled its mandate, and decides also to hold a discussion on the work of the Group and on how it has fulfilled its mandate;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General, the United Nations Development Group, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance and relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies to continue to assist the Ad Hoc Advisory Group in accomplishing its mandate, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions to continue to cooperate to that end.

2005/2

Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau

The Economic and Social Council.

Recalling its resolutions 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, 2003/1 of 31 January 2003, 2003/53 of 24 July 2003, 2004/1 of 3 May 2004 and 2004/59 and 2004/61 of 24 July 2004, and its decision 2002/304 of 25 October 2002,

Recognizing the link between political stability and economic and social development in Guinea-Bissau, as well as the persistent fragility of its democratic institutions,

¹ See E/2005/11.

Welcoming the positive and constructive role of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau in supporting the country to address its pressing short and longer-term development objectives,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau:²
- 2. Welcomes the contributions of the Economic Community of West African States, the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and other partners to improving the situation in Guinea-Bissau;
- 3. Welcomes also the recommendation by the Security Council, in its resolution 1580 (2004) of 22 December 2004, to establish a voluntary emergency fund, to be administered by the United Nations Development Programme, to support efforts related to the planning and implementation of military reform;
- 4. Welcomes further the commitment of the Government of Guinea-Bissau to hold Presidential elections in accordance with the timetable in the Transition Charter, and in that regard invites the international community to provide financial and technical support to Guinea-Bissau in the holding of those elections;
- 5. Expresses appreciation to those organizations and countries that have provided assistance to Guinea-Bissau in controlling a locust invasion, which is undermining an already fragile economy, and appeals to the international community to provide additional assistance;
- 6. *Invites* the donor community to consider providing budgetary support to meet emergency needs, including the payment of salaries, in particular by providing additional contributions through the Emergency Economic Management Fund;
- 7. Recognizes that the key challenges for the Government of Guinea-Bissau will be to restore fiscal discipline, rebuild public administration and improve the climate for private investment and economic diversification and that meeting these challenges will require a combination of peace, firm commitment to sound policies by the authorities, improved governance and transparency, and the technical and financial support of the international community;
- 8. Welcomes the progress in economic and financial management and accountability, as recognized by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank at the meeting of Guinea-Bissau's partners to prepare for the round-table conference, held in Lisbon on 11 February 2005;
- 9. Welcomes also the discussion at the International Monetary Fund on 19 November 2004 of the next steps in the Fund's engagement with Guinea-Bissau, which covered, inter alia, emergency post-conflict assistance, a poverty reduction and growth facility and a staff-monitored programme;
- 10. Welcomes further the holding of the meeting of Guinea-Bissau's partners to prepare for the round-table conference, and stresses the importance of strong participation in the donor round-table conference scheduled for October 2005;
- 11. *Encourages* the Government of Guinea-Bissau to give full consideration to the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group;

² E/2005/8.

- 12. Reaffirms the need to create an enabling environment in Guinea-Bissau to promote economic and social development in the country, and in that regard renews its invitation to the Government of Guinea-Bissau, the organizations of the United Nations system, the Bretton Woods institutions, the donor community and the international community as a whole to give full consideration to the recommendations formulated by the Ad Hoc Advisory Group in its first report³ and to take specific steps to give effect to the partnership approach set out therein with a view to implementing a long-term programme of support;
- 13. Decides to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau until the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council, and requests that, in its report to the Council at that session, the Group describe how it has fulfilled its mandate and, if necessary, include a discussion of the tasks remaining to be accomplished, as well as an estimated timetable for the completion of those tasks in the light of the prevailing situation and a discussion of the implementation of its recommendations;
- 14. *Decides* to consider the reports of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau at its substantive session of 2005.

2005/3

Public administration and development

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2001/45 of 20 December 2001, 2002/40 of 19 December 2002 and 2003/60 of 25 July 2003,

Reaffirming the role of the public service in the attainment of national goals for social and economic development, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration,⁴

Emphasizing the need to improve the efficiency, transparency and accountability of public administration,

Recognizing the important role played by public administration with respect to planning and provision of public services and the positive contribution it can make to the creation of an enabling environment to promote sustainable development,

- 1. *Takes note* of the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its third session;⁵
- 2. Reiterates that efficient, accountable, effective and transparent public administration, at both the national and international levels, has a key role to play in the implementation of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration,⁴ and in that context stresses the need to strengthen national public sector administrative and managerial capacity-building, in particular in developing countries and countries with economies in transition;

³ E/2003/8.

⁴ General Assembly resolution 55/2.

⁵ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2004, Supplement No. 44 (E/2004/44).

- 3. Requests all Member States to abide by the principles⁶ of proper management of public affairs and public property, fairness, responsibility and equality before the law and the need to safeguard integrity and foster a culture of transparency, accountability and rejection of corruption at all levels and in all its forms, and in that regard urges Member States that have not yet done so to consider enacting laws to accomplish those ends;
- 4. Encourages the international community to increase financial, material and technical support to developing countries with a view to assisting their efforts to strengthen and revitalize their public administration institutions and managerial capacity through, inter alia, adopting methods, processes and systems that foster public participation in the governance and development process, and in that regard calls upon the United Nations system to provide further substantive technical and advisory support to developing countries, at their request, aimed at strengthening their public service delivery, ensuring national ownership in the development of these programmes;
- 5. Welcomes the initiative of the African countries to strengthen their institutional capacities and their public service through appropriate mechanisms or institutions, in particular the New Partnership for Africa's Development;
- 6. *Encourages* Member States to consider, as appropriate, the recommendations made by the Committee of Experts on Public Administration;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to focus the work of the Organization on public administration according to the recommendations contained in its decision 2004/302 of 23 July 2004, General Assembly resolution 58/231 of 23 December 2003 and the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its third session, in particular those aimed at strengthening the human capital in the public sector, facilitating access to information and best practices, promoting good governance and accountability in public administration, at the national and international levels, and strengthening public administration institutions in developing countries, in particular the least developed countries;
- 8. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue his consultations with Member States on a regular basis on the nomination of members of the Committee, keeping in mind its resolution 2001/45 and its annex;
- 9. *Encourages* the United Nations system and Member States to celebrate United Nations Public Service Day in a more visible manner, and invites Member States to nominate candidates for the United Nations Public Service Awards.

⁶ Consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption (General Assembly resolution 58/4, annex).

Decisions

2005/201 A

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Committee for Development Policy

The Council appointed Iskra **Beleva** (Bulgaria) for a term beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 31 December 2006 to fill a vacancy arising from the demise of Eul Yong **Park** (Republic of Korea).

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected **Sweden** to fill a postponed vacancy for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States and two members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008.

2005/201 B

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 4th plenary meeting, on 31 March 2005, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected **Lebanon** to fill a postponed vacancy for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's thirty-ninth session, in 2006.

The Council also elected **Sweden** for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's thirty-ninth session, in 2005, and expiring at the close of the same session, in 2006, to replace Norway, which had resigned its seat.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-first session, in 2008.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected **Antigua and Barbuda** and **Haiti** to fill postponed vacancies for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008.

2005/201 C

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 7th plenary meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

Statistical Commission

The Council elected the following eight Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Canada, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Finland, France, Jamaica, Mauritania, Russian Federation, South Africa.

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected the following 16 Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting, in 2006, of the Commission's fortieth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-third session, in 2010: China, Gambia, India, Jamaica, Lebanon, Mexico, Oman, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sweden, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Zambia.

The Council also elected **Haiti** to fill a postponed vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-first session, in 2008.

Commission on Human Rights

The Council elected the following 15 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Cameroon, China, Germany, Japan, Morocco, United States of America, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zimbabwe.

Commission on the Status of Women

The Council elected the following 13 Member States for a four-year term beginning at the initial meeting, in 2006, of the Commission's fifty-first session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fourth session, in 2010: Brazil, Cameroon, Djibouti, Ecuador, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Lesotho, Malaysia, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Togo, United Arab Emirates, Zambia.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Council elected the following 20 Member States by acclamation for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Canada, Colombia, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Poland, Republic

of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Tajikistan, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

The Council elected the following 19 Member States by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Armenia, Austria, Bolivia, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Comoros, Germany, Italy, Japan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Namibia, Niger, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Senegal, Uganda.

The Council postponed the election of one member from African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006.

Commission on Sustainable Development

The Council elected the following 16 Member States for a three-year term beginning at the organizational meeting, in 2006, of the Commission's fifteenth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's seventeenth session in 2009: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Chile, Czech Republic, Djibouti, Indonesia, Kuwait, Peru, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Senegal, Spain, Sudan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected the following 14 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: China, Germany, Italy, Lebanon, Malta, Namibia, Panama, Portugal, Russian Federation, Senegal, South Africa, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States, two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and four members from Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Burkina Faso, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Guatemala, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Serbia and Montenegro, Spain, United States of America.

Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Council elected **Ghana** and **Romania** in accordance with General Assembly resolution 59/169 of 20 December 2004.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: **Algeria, Bangladesh, Benin, Ecuador, Jamaica,**

Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council decided that **Germany** and **Switzerland**, which were resigning their seats on the Board effective 1 January 2006, would be replaced, respectively, by **France** for a term expiring on 31 December 2006 and **Canada** for a term expiring on 31 December 2007.

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following six Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Zimbabwe.

Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) (UNAIDS)

The Council elected the following four Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Australia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Finland, Grenada.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006.

The Council decided that:

- (a) **Canada** and **Denmark**, which were resigning their seats on the Board effective 27 April 2005, would be replaced, respectively, by **Australia** and **Finland**, each for a term expiring on 31 December 2005;
- (b) France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, which were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2006, would be replaced, respectively, by Germany for a term expiring on 31 December 2007 and Italy for a term expiring on 31 December 2006.

Nominations

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated the following 18 Member States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006: Argentina, Armenia, Belarus, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, the Central African Republic, Cuba, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Pakistan, Portugal, Senegal, South Africa, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay.

The Council postponed the nomination of two members from Western European and other States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006.

Appointments

Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

The Council endorsed the decision of the Secretary-General to approve the application of **Zambia** for membership in the Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Subcommittee).

Other elections

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected Arundhati **Ghose** (India) for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2006, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Chokila **Iyer** (India).

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Council elected **Haiti** to fill a postponed vacancy on the Committee for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2006.

2005/201 D

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 9 June 2005, the Economic and Social Council elected **Sweden** to the Programme Coordination Board for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2006, to replace **Switzerland**, which had resigned its seat on the Board.

2005/202

Dates for the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to approve the change in the dates for its substantive session of 2005 from 4 to 29 July 2005 to 29 June to 27 July 2005.

2005/203

Provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed programme of work for 2005 and 2006,⁷ approved the following provisional agenda and documentation for its substantive session of 2005:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on proposed themes for the high-level and coordination segments of the 2006 substantive session of the Council (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I)

High-level segment8

2. Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (Council decision 2004/294)

World Economic and Social Survey, 2005, part one (chap. I)

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session (Council resolution 2004/66)

⁷ E/2005/1, sect. I.

⁸ In the context of its resolution 1998/46, annex III, and General Assembly resolution 57/270 B, the Council will hold a dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions immediately after the high-level segment. An addendum to the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation will be made available to the Council as a background document (Council decision 2004/323).

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolutions 35/81 and 59/250, para. 22)⁹

Report of the Secretary-General on funding for operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 24)⁹

Report of the Secretary-General on a programme of work for the full implementation of simplification and harmonization measures (General Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 37)

Report of the Secretary-General on an appropriate management process, containing clear guidelines, targets, benchmarks and time frames for the full implementation of the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 101)

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

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2004 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2005 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2004 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2005 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

⁹ Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2004 sessions (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

(c) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Documentation

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (General Assembly resolution 33/134)⁹

Coordination segment

4. Towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (Council decision 2004/292)

Humanitarian affairs segment

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made in strengthening the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 59/141 and Council resolution 2004/50)⁹

General segment

6. Implementation of and follow-up to major international United Nations conferences and summits

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2004/44) (see also item 8)

(a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization (General Assembly resolution 58/230 and Council resolution 2004/64)

(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010²

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (General Assembly resolution 59/244 and Council resolution 2004/65)⁹

7. Coordination, programme and other questions

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-fifth session

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2004

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (Council resolution 1988/77 and General Assembly resolution 58/269)

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-fifth session

(c) International cooperation in the field of informatics

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the action taken to follow up on the need to harmonize and improve United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States, including the findings of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics and an assessment of its work and mandate (Council resolution 2004/51)

(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

Documentation

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (Council decision 2004/322)

(e) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Documentation

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 and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, including progress in the area of gender mainstreaming (Assembly resolution 59/168 and Council resolution 2004/4) (also under item 14 (a))⁹

(f) Information and Communication Technologies Task Force

Documentation

Annual report of the Secretary-General on the Information and Communication Technologies Task Force (Council decisions 2001/210 and 2004/296)

(g) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (Council resolution 2003/18)

8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (Council resolution 2004/44) (see also item 6)

9. 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

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 59/56 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))⁹

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 2004/53)

Report of the Secretary-General 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 Council (Council resolution 2004/53)

10. Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1)

Summary of the economic survey of Europe, 2004

Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Africa, 2004

Summary of the survey of economic and social conditions in Asia and the Pacific, 2005

Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 2004

Summary of economic and social developments in the region of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, 2004-2005

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on the Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (Council resolution 2003/52)

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 $2004/54^9$

12. Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

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

13. Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Consolidated report of the Secretary-General on the work of the functional commissions of the Council in 2005 (Council agreed conclusions 2002/1 and resolution 2004/63) (see also under item 14)

(a) Sustainable development

Documentation

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

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX), 1625 (LI) and 2000/34)

Report of the Secretary-General on system-wide inter-agency cooperation and coordination for the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (General Assembly resolution 59/227)¹⁰

(b) Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eighth session (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

(c) Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and Council decision 2004/236)

(d) Human settlements¹¹

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme on its twentieth session (General Assembly resolution 56/206)⁹

(e) Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-third session (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 53/242)⁹

(f) Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-eighth session (General Assembly resolution 48/128 and Council decision 2004/237)

(g) Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its fourth session (Council resolution 2003/60). At its resumed substantive session of 2004, the Council decided to defer to its organizational session, in January 2005, its consideration of the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on its third session (Council decision 2004/325).

¹⁰ Submitted to the Council through the Commission on Sustainable Development.

¹¹ The report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Council decision 2004/300) will be submitted only to the General Assembly, at its sixtieth session (Assembly resolution 59/239).

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (former Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters) on its first session (Council resolution 2004/69)

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its fifth session (Council resolution 2000/35 and Council decision 2004/235)

(j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions, together with relevant background materials (General Assembly resolution 59/45)

Note by the Secretary-General on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

(k) Cartography

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

(l) Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

(m) Transport of dangerous goods

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (Council resolution 2003/64)

14. Social and human rights questions

Documentation

Consolidated report of the Secretary-General on the work of the functional commissions of the Council in 2005 (Council agreed conclusions 2002/1 and Council resolution 2004/63) (also under item 13)

(a) Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI) and Council decision 2004/239)

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 and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, including progress in the area of gender mainstreaming (General Assembly resolution 59/168 and Council resolution 2004/4) (also under item 7 (e))⁹

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)⁹

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolutions 1998 (LX) and 2003/57)

Report of the Director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on the revitalization and strengthening of the Institute (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 2003/57)

(b) Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-third session (Council resolution 10 (III) and Council decision 2004/241)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourteenth session (Council resolution 1992/1 and Council decision 2004/242)

Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment and implementation of the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty (Council resolution 1745 (LIV) and Council decision 2004/242)¹²

(d) Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session (Council resolution 9 (I) and Council decision 2004/244)

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)

¹² Submitted to the Council through the Commission on Human Rights and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 59/172)

(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(g) Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its sixty-first session (Council resolutions 5 (I) and 9 (II))

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)⁹

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

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)⁹

(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fourth session (Council resolution 2000/22 and Council decision 2004/289)

2005/204

Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 2005

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2004, the Economic and Social Council took note of the list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Council for 2005:13

¹³ See E/2005/1, sect. II; the list of questions will be revised in the light of the Council's deliberations on the proposed programme of work for 2005.

Substantive session of 2006

A. High-level segment

[Theme/themes to be selected]

(The Council, in its decision 2003/301, decided to consider indigenous issues as a theme for its high-level segment in 2006, in accordance with established procedures set out in General Assembly resolution 50/227)

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey, 2006

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

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

[Theme/themes to be selected]

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

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

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2005 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2006 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2005 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2006 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2005 sessions (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

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]

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development (follow-up to Council resolution 2004/49, adopted under agenda item 4 (b) which was considered at the Council's 2004 coordination segment)

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

E. General segment

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

Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (General Assembly resolution 59/244 and Council resolution 2004/65)⁹

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-sixth session Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2005

Proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009 Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-sixth session

Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the assessment of the ad hoc advisory groups of the Council on African countries emerging from conflict (Council resolution 2004/59)

Tobacco or health

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control (Council resolution 2004/62)

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B

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

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))⁹

Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1)

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

Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

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

Economic and environmental questions

Sustainable development

Documentation

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

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX), 1625 (LI) and 2000/34)

Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

United Nations Forum on Forests

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its sixth session (Council resolution 2000/35)

Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-ninth session (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 1995/209)

[Special theme of thirty-ninth session of the Commission on Population and Development in 2006 will be "International migration and development" (General Assembly resolution 59/241)]

Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its fifth session (Council resolution 2003/60) (E/2005/44, Supplement No. 24)

Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-seventh session (Council resolutions 1768 (LIV) and 1999/8)

Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (General Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII))⁹

Human settlements

Documentation

(To be decided pending the outcome of the discussion under the sub-item at the Council's substantive session of 2005)

Cartography

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the twenty-third session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV) and Council decision 2004/303)

Report of the Secretary-General on the seventeenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV) and Council decision 2004/304)

Social and human rights questions

Advancement of women

Documentation

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

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)⁹

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

Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-fourth session (Council resolutions 10 (III) and 1996/7)

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fifteenth session (Council resolution 1992/1)

Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-ninth session (Council resolution 9 (I))

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)

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolutions 58/153 and 59/172)

Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its sixty-second session (Council resolutions 5 (I) and 9 (II))

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)⁹

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 (General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)⁹

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session (Council resolution 2000/22)

2005/205

Operational activities segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided that the work of the operational activities segment of its substantive session of 2005 would be devoted to the progress on and implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system.

2005/206

Theme for the regional cooperation item of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the item on regional cooperation at its substantive session of 2005 would be: "Achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration: a regional perspective".

2005/207

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided:

(a) To grant consultative status with the Council to the following 87 non-governmental organizations:

General consultative status

Coordination SuD

United Cities and Local Governments

Special consultative status

Action contre la faim

Adolescent Health and Information Projects

Advocates for Youth

African Business Round Table

African Community Resource Center

Africare

Albert Schweitzer Institute

Aleut International Association

Arab Mexican Chamber of Industry and Commerce

Asia Pacific Network Information Centre

Asian Partnership for the Development of Human Resources in Rural Asia

Association mauritanienne pour la santé de la mère et de l'enfant

Association mauritanienne pour le développement et la protection de l'environnement

Association pour la collaboration globale

Association relation nationale pour l'appui a l'initiative feminine de la protection infantile et environnementale

Australian Reproductive Health Alliance

Aviation sans frontières

Be Active, Be Emancipated

Central and Eastern European Harm Reduction Network

Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development

Centro de Estudio y Formacion Integral de la Mujer

Charity Foundation for Special Diseases

China Arms Control and Disarmament Association

China Family Planning Association

Comite français des organisations non gouvernementales pour liaison et l'information des Nations Unies

Associazione Tecnico Scientifica di Base

Dui Hua Foundation

Engender

European AIDS Treatment Group

Feminists for Life of America

Fondation européenne pour le développement durable des régions

Fondation Surgir

Foundation for the Refugee Education Trust

Global Youth Action Network

Huairou Commission

Humanitarian Foundation of Canada

International Association of Initiatives of Change

International Association of Science Parks

International Center for Clubhouse Development

International Conference Volunteers

International Development Enterprises India

International Justice Mission

Iranian Elite Research Center

Istanbul International Brotherhood and Solidarity Association

Kenya Tuitakayo

Korean Council for Local Agenda 21s

Korean Foundation for World Aid

Kuwait Information Technology Society

Landmine Survivors Network

Mbororo Social and Cultural Development Association

National Aboriginal Forestry Association

National Abortion Federation

National Council of Women of Malta

National Women's Justice Coalition

Native Women's Association of Canada

New Zealand Family Planning Association

Nigerian Institute of Homeopathy

Nonviolence International

Organisation de défense de l'environnement au Burundi

Organisation mondiale des associations pour l'éducation prénatale

People with Disability Australia

Rodale Institute

Sawiris Foundation for Social Development

Sign of Hope

Simply Help

Tarumitra

Terre Vivante

Turkish Foundation for Children in need of Protection

Virtue Foundation

Watson Institute for International Studies

Women's Learning Partnership for Rights, Development and Peace

Yad Sarah

Zenab for Women in Development

Roster

Agir en faveur de l'environnement

Arab NGO Network for Development

Colegio de Abogados Especialistas en Derecho Ambiental de Colombia

Council of Bureaux

Ecospirituality Foundation

Europlatforms

Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief

International Steering Committee for Global Mapping

Labor/Community Strategy Center

Sirius Global Animal Organisation Charitable Trust

Tearfund

World Chlorine Council

(b) To reclassify the following non-governmental organization from special to general consultative status:

New Humanity

(c) Note that the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations has taken note of the quadrennial reports of the following 72 non-governmental organizations (years of reporting are 2000-2003 unless otherwise indicated in parentheses):

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (1999-2002)

Agudas Israel World Organization

Alliance for Arab Women

American Psychological Association

Arab Centre for the Independence of the Judiciary and the Legal Profession

Asia-Japan Women's Resource Centre

Asian Women in Cooperative Development

Association de volontaires pour le service international

Brothers of Charity (1999-2002)

Consortium for International Earth Science Information Network (1999-2002)

Center for Women's Global Leadership

China Disabled Person's Federation (1998-2001)

Chinese Immigrants Services (1998-2001)

Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of The Good Shepherd

Croatian World Congress (1998-2001)

Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevoelkerung (German Foundation for World Population) (1999-2002)

Earthcorps

Earthjustice (1999-2002)

Egyptian AIDS Society

Europe 2000 (1999-2002)

Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations

Fondazione Giovanni e Francesca Falcone

General Confederation of Trade Unions (1998-2001)

Hong Kong Federation of Women

Hope Worldwide

Human Lactation Center

Humane Society of the United States

Ibero-American Institute of Aeronautic and Space Law and Commercial Aviation

Institute for Environment and Development Studies — Friends of the Earth Bangladesh

International Astronautical Federation

International Catholic Migration Commission

International Council on Social Welfare

International Federation of Hard of Hearing People

International Fellowship of Reconciliation (1999-2002)

International HIV/AIDS Alliance

International Hotel and Restaurant Association (1999-2002)

International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (1999-2002)

International Lactation Consultant Association

International Movement ATD Fourth World (1999-2002)

International Presentation Association of the Sisters of the Presentation

International Rural Housing Association

International Union of Psychological Science (1998-2001)

IPAS (1998-2001)

Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning

Lebanese Welfare Association for the Handicapped

Liberty International (1999-2002)

Life For Relief and Development (1999-2002)

Lutheran World Federation

Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights (1998-2001)

Match International Centre

Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights

National Council of Women in Great Britain

Nigerian Centre for Research and Documentation (1999-2002)

Pag-Aalay Ng Puso Foundation (Offering of the Heart Foundation) (1999-2002)

PanAmerican-PanAfrican Association (1999-2002)

Parliamentarians for Global Action (1998-2001)

Radin Institute for Family Health Education and Promotion

Rehab Group

Several Sources Foundation (1999-2002)

Shimin Gaikou Centre (1999-2002)

Sisters of Mercy of the Americas (1998-2001)

Solar Cookers International

SOS Kinderdorf International (1999-2002)

Temple of Understanding (1999-2002)

Transnational Radical Party (1995-1998)

United Nations Association of Russia (1999-2002)

Water Environment Federation (1999-2002)

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom

Woods Hole Research Center

World Alliance of Reformed Churches

World Federation of Therapeutic Communities

World Veterans Federation

(d) To note that the Committee decided to close its consideration of the request for consultative status with the Council made by the following two non-governmental organizations:

Association of Expelled (Displaced-Exiled) Persons

Association internationale de boxe educative

2005/208

Matters pertaining to reinstatement of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations in cases where consultative status was suspended by the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to request the Asociación para la Paz Continental, a non-governmental organization suspended in 2000 from its consultative status with the Council, to submit an updated application for consultative status, which the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations would examine at a future session.

2005/209

Organization of work of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for its 2005 regular session

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 4 February 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided that the two days not used by the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations at its 2005 regular session would be added to its two-week resumed session to be held in May 2005, on the understanding that conference services for those two days would be provided on an as-available basis.

2005/210

Working arrangements for the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 1 March 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided on the following working arrangements for its substantive session of 2005:

- (a) Substantive segments:
- (i) The high-level segment will be held from 29 June to 1 July 2005;
- (ii) The coordination segment will be held from 5 to 7 July 2005;
- (iii) The operational activities segment will be held from 8 to 12 July 2005;
- (iv) The humanitarian affairs segment will be held from 13 to 18 July 2005;
- (v) The general segment will be held from 18 to 25 July 2005;
- (vi) The Council will conclude its work on 26 and 27 July 2005;
- (b) Dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions: the dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions will be held immediately after the high-level segment of the substantive session of the Council, on the morning of 5 July 2005;
- (c) Issue of transition from relief to development: the Council will consider holding an event to discuss the issue of transition from relief to development and will hold further consultations, in this regard, including on the possible format and modalities of such an event.¹⁴

2005/211

Date of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 1 March 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided that the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development would be held at Headquarters on 18 April 2005.

2005/212

Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 4th plenary meeting, on 31 March 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided:

- (a) That the theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of its substantive session of 2005 would be "Strengthening of the coordination of the United Nations humanitarian assistance, including capacity as well as organizational aspects";
- (b) That it would also convene a panel on the theme "Lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster".

¹⁴ See also Council decision 2005/216.

2005/213

Improvement of the work of the Commission on Population and Development

At its 4th plenary meeting, on 31 March 2005, the Economic and Social Council, in order to improve the work of the Commission on Population and Development, decided:

- (a) With effect from the thirty-eighth regular session of the Commission, to be held from 4 to 8 April 2005, that, immediately following the closure of each regular session, the Commission would hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chairman and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council;
- (b) That the terms of office of the members of the Commission would be for four regular sessions of the Commission, to begin immediately after the conclusion of the Commission's regular session held after 1 January, following their election by the Council, and to end at the conclusion of the regular session held after 1 January, following the election of the States that were to succeed them as members of the Commission, unless they were re-elected;
- (c) To extend to the conclusion of the thirty-ninth regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2005; to extend to the conclusion of the fortieth regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2006; to extend to the conclusion of the forty-first regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2007; and to extend to the conclusion of the forty-second regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2008;
- (d) That the pertinent provisions of General Assembly resolution 1798 (XVII) of 11 December 1962 would apply only to the substantive part of the session of the Commission.

2005/214

Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council

At its 8th plenary meeting, on 28 April 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to defer to its substantive session of 2005, under agenda item 10, "Regional cooperation", its consideration of draft resolution III, entitled, "Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to

United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council". 15

2005/215

Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Economic and Social Council

At its 8th plenary meeting, on 28 April 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to include in the agenda of its substantive session of 2005, for its consideration, the request of the Global Water Partnership Organization to participate as an observer in the work of the Council.

2005/216

Economic and Social Council event to consider the issue of the transition from relief to development

At its 8th plenary meeting, on 28 April 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to hold an event on the morning of Wednesday, 13 July 2005, entitled "Economic and Social Council event to consider the issue of the transition from relief to development", on an informal basis, as follows:

- (a) A brief presentation will be followed by interactive discussions with interested delegations;
- (b) There will be a Chairperson's summary but no negotiated outcome document;
- (c) A brief reference to the event will be included in the report of the Economic and Social Council;

and accordingly decided that the operational activities segment would conclude its work on the afternoon of 12 July 2005 and the humanitarian segment would begin its work on the afternoon of 13 July 2005.

2005/217

Reform proposed by the Secretary-General in the area of human rights

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 9 June 2005, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 59/145 of 17 December 2004 and 59/291 of 15 April 2005, in which the Assembly, inter alia, requested the President of the General Assembly to continue to hold open, inclusive and transparent consultations with all Member States with a view to reaching the broadest possible agreement on all major issues relating to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly to be held in September 2005, and also taking note of Commission on Human Rights decision 2005/116 of 22 April 2005, decided to request the Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights to organize, at the

¹⁵ As contained in document E/2004/15/Add.2.

Commission's sixty-first session, an open-ended informal consultation of up to two days to reflect on the recommendations on human rights contained in the report of the Secretary-General entitled "In larger freedom: towards development, security and human rights for all" with a view to contributing to the intergovernmental deliberations to be held in the Assembly on the proposed reforms of the United Nations:

(b) To that end also decided to authorize the Chairperson to prepare a summary of the informal consultation by 15 June 2005, to be transmitted to the President of the General Assembly through the President of the Economic and Social Council.

2005/218

Multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 9 June 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to defer to the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2005 its consideration of the multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Council.

2005/219

Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Council

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 9 June 2005, the Economic and Social Council decided to include in the agenda of its substantive session of 2005, for its consideration, the request of the Union economique et monétaire ouest africaine to participate as an observer in the work of the Council.

¹⁶ A/59/2005 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3.