

AGENDA COMMITTEE

Provisional Agenda of the Sixth Session of the Council (February 1948)

Note by the Secretary-General

The provisional agenda of the sixth session of the Council was communicated to Members of the United Nations, specialized agencies, and non-governmental organizations in category "A" by the Secretary-General, after consultation with the Acting President of the Council, on 10 January 1948, and circulated as document E/607 on 12 January 1948, in accordance with Rules of Procedure 7, 9 and 10.

Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure provides that

"The Agenda Committee shall, prior to each session, consider items submitted (under rule 10) for the provisional agenda and make recommendations thereon to the Council at the first meeting of the session, including suggestions as to the inclusion or deferment of items and the order in which they shall be considered.

"A Member of the United Nations, a specialized agency, or a non-governmental organization in category A, which has requested the inclusion of an item in the provisional agenda, shall be entitled to present its views through its representative at any meeting of the Agenda Committee at which the question of the inclusion of the item is discussed.

"If, owing to the urgency of the subject, an item is proposed for inclusion on the provisional agenda under rule 10 (c) less than twenty-eight days before the first meeting of the session, it shall be accompanied by a statement of urgency, including the reasons which precluded its submission under rule 10 (c), which the Secretary-General shall transmit to the Agenda Committee. The Agenda Committee shall include in its report to the Council a recommendation with regard to the inclusion on the grounds of urgency of any such item."

The Secretary-General has prepared the following notes on items included in the provisional agenda, and on certain other questions subsequently proposed for inclusion in the agenda, for the assistance of the Committee in making its recommendations to the Council. Section I is concerned with items included in the provisional agenda, document E/607; Section II with the proposed additional items; and Section III with considerations relating to the arrangement of the business as a whole.

I

1. Election of President and Vice-Presidents for 1948
(Document: Rules of Procedure, E/33/Rev.4, Chapter IV)
2. Report of the Agenda Committee and Adoption of Agenda
3. Surveys of World Economic Conditions and Trends
(E/576, E/576/Add.1)

The General Assembly in its Resolution No. 118 (II) recommended to the Council that it "considers a survey of current world economic conditions and trends annually, and at such other intervals as it considers necessary, ... that it make recommendations as to the appropriate measures to be taken by the General Assembly, the Members of the United Nations and the specialized agencies concerned". In the same resolution, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to assist the Council and its subsidiary organs, "by providing factual surveys and analyses of world economic conditions and trends".

Several studies recently prepared by the Department of Economic Affairs deal with Various aspects of current world economic conditions. It is believed that these studies will be of assistance to the members of the Council in any action they may wish to take under the above-mentioned Assembly resolution. The titles of these studies and lists of contents are:

"Economic Report - Salient Features of the World Economic Situation, 1945-1947"

The Economic Report is the first of a series of world economic reports prepared by the United Nations Department of Economic Affairs with the assistance of certain of the specialized agencies of the United Nations. This Report, comprising over 300 pages, represents a comprehensive factual and analytical study of economic changes in the post-war world. It consists of the following parts:

- Part I World Economic Highlights
- Part II Regional Economic Conditions
- Part III Some Outstanding World Economic Problems
- Part IV International Action in the Economic Field
- Chronology

Advance copies of Part I have been distributed to representatives of Members, and it is anticipated that printed copies of the whole report will be available approximately at the end of January.

"Survey of Current Inflationary and Deflationary Tendencies"

The contents of this Survey are:

/Part I

Part I The Problem of Full Employment in the United States
of America

Part II Scarcities and Inflationary Pressures in Devastated
Europe

Part III Inflation in Under-Developed Countries

"Economic Development in Selected Countries: Plans, Programmes and
Agencies"

The countries covered by this report are:

North America

Mexico

South America

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Peru, Venezuela

South-East India

Development Planning in India

The Middle East

Governmental Development Activities, the Five-Years Plan in Egypt

Europe

Poland, Yugoslavia

Africa

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, British African Non-Self-Governing and
Non-Metropolitan Territories, French North Africa and French
African Overseas Territories, Liberia

"Foreign Exchange Position of the Devastated Countries"

The contents of this report are:

Introduction

Part I Import Requirements, Available Resources, and Deficits

Part II Potential Sources of External Assistance

Conclusion

4. Interim Report of the Economic Commission for Europe
(E/603)

Inasmuch as a meeting of the full Commission has not been held since the fifth session of the Council, although there have been numerous meetings of its subsidiary bodies, this interim report has been prepared by the Executive Secretary of the Commission, in accordance with the terms of reference of the Commission. It has not been considered as a whole by the Commission, but it has been circulated to Members, and incorporates their comments and suggestions.

5. Report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East
(E/606, E/606/Corr.1)

This Report covers the first and second sessions of the Commission held at Shanghai from 16 to 25 June 1947, and at Baguio from 24 November to 6 December 1947.

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6. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Proposal for an Economic Commission for Latin America

This Committee is at present still sitting; it is anticipated that its report will be available in the early part of the Council session.

7. Question of the Establishment of an Economic Commission for the Middle East

(E/617)

8. United Nations Scientific Conference on Conservation and Utilization of Resources

(E/605)

9. United Nations Maritime Conference: Question of Voting Rights

(E/611)

As the Maritime Conference is scheduled to open at Geneva on 19 February next, it is advisable that consideration should be given to this question by the Council as early as possible in the session.

10. Report of the Second Session of the Statistical Commission

(E/577)

11. Implementation of Economic and Social Recommendations

(E/616)

12. Report of the Second Session of the Commission on Human Rights

(E/600)

This Report contains, besides a number of recommendations to the Council, three annexes. Annex A reproduces the Draft International Declaration on Human Rights and Comments thereon by members of the Commission; Annex B reproduces the Draft International Covenant on Human Rights and Comments thereon by members of the Commission. These two annexes have been submitted to all Member Governments for their observations, suggestions and proposals; these observations, suggestions and proposals will be considered as the basis of a redraft by the second session of the Drafting Committee and by the third session of the Commission on Human Rights; the final draft will then be submitted to the seventh session of the Council. The Council may therefore wish to defer consideration of these two annexes till its seventh session.

Annex C contains the report of the Working Group on the Question of Implementation set up by the Commission at its second session, together with Comments thereon by members of the Commission. The Commission decided to transmit the report to all Member Governments and to the Council for their consideration and comments (paragraph 26).

Resolutions of the Commission and recommendations of the Commission to the Council, on which the Council may wish to take action at its sixth session, are contained in paragraphs 14, 26, 29, 30, 32, 33, 35, 37, 41,

43, 45, 46, 47; resolutions contained in paragraphs 13, 18, 27, 28, 38, 40, 48, 49, and 50 do not call for action at the sixth session of the Council.

13. Draft Convention on Genocide

(E/621, E/622, E/623)

Document E/621, a historical resume of the question, will be available about 2 February, E/622, a paper prepared by the Secretary-General, as to action required to implement General Assembly Resolution 180 (II), and E/623, containing the observations of Governments on the draft Convention prepared by the Secretariat.

14. Report of the Second Session of the Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and of the Press

The Sub-Commission is at present still sitting. Resolution No. 74 (V) paragraph IV (c) of the Council contemplated that if necessary this report might be considered at the sixth session of the Council before consideration by the Commission on Human Rights. Resolution 74 (V) also provided that any items recommended by the Council at its sixth session should be submitted to the Conference on Freedom of Information and of the Press as an additional list. A decision on this point must await the Sub-Commission's report, and the Committee may therefore wish to recommend to the Council that this item should be provisionally included in the Agenda. Cf: also General Assembly Resolution No. 123 (II) which in taking note of the provisional agenda of the Conference on Freedom of Information, invites the attention of the Council to the discussion in the Third Committee.

15. Report of the Second Session of the Social Commission

(E/578, E/578/Add.1)

16. Report of the Second Session of the Population Commission

(E/571)

17. Report of the Second Session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(E/575)

This report contains the following paragraph under the heading "Request by the Government of Peru for a Field Survey of the Effects of the Chewing of the Coca Leaf" (page 14):

"The representative of Peru on the Commission when explaining to the Commission the reasons of his Government for making this request stated that the habit of chewing coca leaves was a matter which concerned not only Peru but a number of other South American countries. Many millions indulged in this centuries old habit, but the question whether this habit was harmful or not was highly controversial. Of the countries concerned, only Peru and Chile were members of the Economic and Social Council and the Peruvian

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Government would like to see the other countries, namely Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia and Ecuador, invited to attend the Council when this question was discussed as provided in Article 69 of the Charter of the United Nations".

The Secretary-General, with the agreement of the Acting President of the Council, proposes to keep the representatives of the governments of Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia and Ecuador informed of the date and time when this matter will be discussed by the Economic and Social Council at its sixth session.

18. Report of the Permanent Central Opium Board
(E/OB/2)

The Permanent Central Opium Board has transmitted its annual report to the Council. This report contains a general review of the work of the Board (from 1938 to 1948). The Annex to the Report contains the proposals of the Board with respect to necessary arrangements to be concluded with the Council, under Article 20 of the Amended 1925 Convention concerning the working and organization of the Board. When the protocol of 11 December 1946 amending the terms of Article 27 of the 1925 Geneva Convention comes into force, as may be the case during the sixth session of the Council, decisions by the Council will be required in this connection.

A report regarding the possibility of co-ordinating and simplifying the machinery for the control of narcotic drugs in its international aspects was transmitted by the Secretary-General to the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly as document A/C.5/W.37.

19. Report of the Executive Board of the International Children's Emergency Fund
(E/590, E/590/Add.1, E/590/Corr.1) (see note under item 20)

20. United Nations Appeal for Children

The Council may wish as on previous occasions to consider the questions together.

Since 29 February is to be observed as U.N.A.C. day throughout the world, there would be advantage in considering this and related questions in the preceding week.

21. Admission of Monaco to UNESCO
(E/568)

22. Relations with and Co-ordination of Specialized Agencies
(E/602/Rev.1)

E/602/Rev.1 deals generally with the work of the Council regarding the co-ordination of the activities of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies in the economic and social fields at the sixth and

seventh sessions of the Council, and includes comments on the material referred to under the next three agenda items.

23. Work Programmes of Commissions of the Council for 1948 and Draft Calendar of Meetings and Conferences in 1948.

(E/626, E/608)

The draft calendar has been issued as E/608 and the statements relating to work programmes will be circulated shortly as E/626.

24. Reports of Specialized Agencies

(E/456, E/456/Add.1/Rev.1, E/461, E/586, E/586/Add.1, E/586/Add.2, E/593, E/597, E/597/Add.1)

25. Reports of the Co-ordination Committee

(E/614, E/625)

These documents, the first and second reports of the Committee, will be issued on 2 February.

26. Report of the Committee on Negotiations with Inter-Governmental Organizations

This Committee will meet during the session and report to the Council. It will wish to consider, inter alia, the question of an authorization by the Council of negotiations with the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization and with the proposed International Meteorological Organization, and the proposed International Trade Organization, in case it should be desirable to initiate negotiations for agreements with the United Nations before the seventh session of the Council.

27. Report of the Council NGO Committee

This Committee will meet on Saturday 31 January to consider documents E/C.2/W.8, E/C.2/W.8/Add.1/Rev.1, E/C.2/W.8/Add.2, E/C.2/W.9; and will report to the Council during the session.

28. Report by the Secretary-General on the Question of the Establishment of Research Laboratories of the United Nations

(E/620)

29. Establishment of an International Center for Training in Public Administration. Item proposed by the delegation of Brazil.

(E/610)

30. Co-ordination of Cartographic Services of Specialized Agencies and International Organizations. Item proposed by the delegation of Brazil.

(E/609)

31. Damage caused to the Federal Peoples Republic of Yugoslavia by the withholding of its gold reserves by the United States of America. Item proposed by the Delegation of Yugoslavia.

(E/624)

32. Proposal to hold the seventh session of the Economic and Social Council at the United Nations Headquarters. Item proposed by the Delegation of the United Kingdom.

(E/612)

The Secretary-General brings to the attention of the members of the Committee and of the Council the need for an early decision on this question in order to enable arrangements to be made for the 1948 programme of meetings.

33. Co-ordinated action to meet the continuing World Food Crisis. Item proposed by the FAO.

(E/613)

34. Survey on Forced Labour and Measures for its Abolition. Item proposed by the American Federation of Labor.

(E/596)

35. Principle of Equal Pay for Equal Work for Men and Women Workers

(E/627, E/627/Add.1) Document E/627/Add.1 consisting of the

documentation referred to in the letter reproduced as E/627 will be available on 30 January. The attention of the Committee is called to Chapter VII of the report transmitted by the ILO to the Council (E/586) which refers to the activities of the ILO on this question.

36. Consideration of arrangements in connection with the Election by the Economic and Social Council of three Members of the Joint Economic Board for Palestine.

The following is an extract from the summary record (A/AC.21/SR.12) of the meeting of the Palestine Commission on 19 January 1948:

"As regards the three members on the Joint Economic Board to be appointed by the Economic and Social Council, the Chairman suggested that they should be appointed when the work of the Commission was well on its way, that is to say in the July session of the Economic and Social Council. The proposal was approved."

The Council may wish at its sixth session to give preliminary consideration to the arrangements which will be necessary in order that it may be in a position to elect three members of the Joint Economic Board at its seventh session.

37. Election of Members of the Permanent Central Opium Board (if the Protocol of 1946 has come into force)

If the majority of the parties to the 1925 Geneva Convention have acceded to the Protocol of 11 December 1946 before the termination of the sixth session of the Council, the Council will be in a position to appoint the new members of the Board in accordance with the terms of Article 19 of the 1925 Geneva Convention.

38. Draft Rules for the Calling of International Conferences

(E/618)

39. Confirmation of Members of Commissions

Document will be submitted to the Council during the later part of the session, in order that any changes up to that time may be given consideration.

40. Election of Members of the Agenda Committee for the Seventh Session

(document: Rules of Procedure No. 13, E/33/Rev.4)

II

The following proposed items for the Provisional Agenda of the sixth session of the Council reached the Secretary-General after 5 January 1948. These items are submitted for consideration to the Agenda Committee in accordance with Rule of Procedure No. 14, the last paragraph of which reads as follows:

"If, owing to the urgency of the subject, an item is proposed for inclusion on the provisional agenda under rule 10 (c) less than twenty-eight days before the first meeting of the session, it shall be accompanied by a statement of urgency, including the reasons which precluded its submission under rule 10 (c), which the Secretary-General shall transmit to the Agenda Committee. The Agenda Committee shall include in its report to the Council a recommendation with regard to the inclusion on the grounds of urgency of any such item."

1. Report of the second session of the Commission on the Status of Women. (E/615)

The following letter has been received from the Chairman of the Commission on the Status of Women:

"20 January 1948

Sir,

In the name of the Commission on the Status of Women, I have the honour to submit to you herewith the report of the second session. You will see that certain resolutions passed by the Commission would lose their value if they were not considered by the Economic and Social Council at its next session, beginning 2 February 1948.

For this reason, I have the honour to submit to you the unanimous wish of the Commission to see the Economic and Social Council grant a waiver of the rule of Resolution 55 (IV) so that consideration of this report may be put on the agenda of the coming session of the Council.

In the event that it may not seem possible to consider the entire report, the Commission urges the Council to consider the following points which are particularly urgent:

1. Resolution on political rights, paragraph 14 (c)
2. Resolution on educational opportunities, paragraph 20
3. Resolution on equal pay, paragraph 25
4. Amendments to the Draft Declaration on Human Rights, paragraph 27
5. Resolution on regional conferences, paragraph 34

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6. Resolution on Co-operation with the International Labour Organization, paragraph 42.
7. Resolution on Replies to the Questionnaire, paragraphs 43 and 44.

I hope you will extend a favourable reception to the Commission's request and, thanking you in advance, I beg to remain,

Yours sincerely,

Alice Kandalf Cosma,

Rapporteur, Commission on the Status of Women"

The report of the Commission, E/615 will be available on 30 January 1948.

2. Addition of Article concerning use of "United Nations laissez-passer" to the agreement between the United Nations and the International Civil Aviation Organization.

In a letter dated 24 January addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Secretary-General of ICAO notes that this agreement contains no provision for the use by officials of ICAO of the "laissez-passer" of the United Nations. Section 28 of the General Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly on 13 February 1946, provides that the "laissez-passer" may "be issued 'to comparable officials of specialized agencies if the agreements for relationship made under Article 63 of the Charter so provide.'"

The Secretary-General of ICAO further requests that the question be submitted to the Economic and Social Council as a matter of urgency in order to secure any necessary approval.

3. Questions arising out of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment now in session at Havana.

It is probable that several questions will arise out of this Conference, on which action by the Council during its sixth session will be necessary. Two such questions which can already be anticipated are:

- (i) recommendations to the Council to initiate studies, and to request information from Members of the United Nations and specialized agencies, on certain employment questions (see Annex I to this paper),
- (ii) adjustment of the composition of the Interim Co-ordinating Committee for International Commodity Arrangements in order to take account of the proposed establishment of an Interim Commission for the ITO.

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The Committee may wish, therefore, to recommend that items be included provisionally in the agenda covering these and any other additional items arising from the Conference, and requiring action at the sixth session.

In addition to the matters mentioned in Sections (i) and (ii) above, the attention of the Committee is drawn to the practice of the Council by which amendments to Rules of Procedure may be made and other procedural matters dealt with without inclusion in the provisional or final agenda. A number of amendments to Rules of Procedure may be required at the sixth session, including provision for transmission of agenda, etc., to the President of the Trusteeship Council (see document E&T/C.1/2/Rev.1, paragraph 11 (a)); adjustment of Rules 18, 19 and 21 regarding the terms of office of office bearers; amendment of Rules 42-45 regarding records (E/619).

NOTE: The printed volume of Resolutions of the General Assembly is not yet ready and is not expected to be available for the first part of the session. Temporary sets of the Resolutions which particularly concern the Council will be prepared.

III

1. The usual procedure of the Council in previous sessions has been to take up the majority of the items on the agenda each in three stages:

- (i) in plenary session,
- (ii) in committee for detailed consideration and the framing of draft resolutions, and
- (iii) in another plenary session for the adoption of resolutions or other appropriate action.

There have been of course a number of items where only the first stage was required. Exceptionally, several items have been dealt with together at one or other of the stages above.

2. Having regard to the growth in the volume of the business of the Council the Committee may wish to give consideration to the desirability of making recommendations to the Council regarding the grouping of agenda items which might be dealt with together, at any rate as regards stage (i). In addition, to the saving of the time of the Council and the avoidance of repetition of debate which might be secured, such an arrangement would give an opportunity for debates of a wider range covering the broad fields of the Council's activities.

3. As a basis for discussion by the Committee, an outline of such a scheme applied to the provisional agenda of the sixth session, E/607, is set out below:

The items in the agenda may be divided into three main groups (a) economic, (b) social, and (c) co-ordination and work programming, with, in addition, a number of miscellaneous items, mostly of a procedural character, which would require to be dealt with separately.

4. The economic group (a)* might consist of items numbers:

3. Surveys of World Economic Conditions and Trends
4. Interim Report of the Economic Commission for Europe
5. Report of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East
6. Report of the ad hoc Committee on the proposal for an Economic Commission for Latin America
7. Question of the establishment of an Economic Commission for the Middle East
8. United Nations Technical Conference on Conservation and Utilization of Resources

* This illustration is based on the assumption that the Council decides to deal with all the items on the provisional agenda E/607 at its sixth session.

10. Report of the second session of the Statistical Commission
33. Co-ordinated Action to meet the Continuing World Food Crisis
5. The social group might consist of items numbers:
 12. Report of the second session of the Commission on Human Rights
 13. Draft Convention on Genocide
 14. Report of the second session of the Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and of the Press
 15. Report of the second session of the Social Commission
 16. Report of the second session of the Population Commission
 17. Report of the second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs
 18. Report of the Permanent Central Opium Board
 19. Report of the Executive Board of the International Children's Emergency Fund
 20. United Nations Appeal for Children
 28. Report by the Secretary-General on the Question of the Establishment of Research Laboratories of the United Nations
 34. Survey of Forced Labour and Measures for its Abolition
 35. Principle of Equal Pay for Equal Work for Men and Women Workers
6. The co-ordination and work programming group - which of course relates to the working out of measures considered in both the previous groups - might consist of items numbers:
 11. Implementation of economic and social recommendations
 22. Relations with and co-ordination of specialized agencies
 23. Work Programmes of Commissions of the Council for 1948 and Draft Calendar of Meetings and Conferences in 1948
 24. Reports of Specialized Agencies
 25. Reports of the Co-ordination Committee
 26. Report of the Committee on Negotiations with Inter-governmental Organizations
 27. Report of the Council NGO Committee
 30. Co-ordination of Cartographic Services of Specialized Agencies and International Organizations.

Special consideration might be given to Item 33 under this heading also.

7. The remaining items on the agenda either because of their procedural character or for reasons indicated in the annotations in the earlier sections of this paper would require to be treated separately. These items could be taken as convenient in the schedule of business, and from the point of view of the organization of the session would thus give the possibility of adjustment of the day-to-day programmes which is required

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if the best use is to be made of the sitting time available.

8. The procedure might be on the following lines:

- (i) In the opening plenary stage, all the items in the group would be open for general discussion. The Council would not at this stage take decisions on the specific points on which they were required, but would remit them to one of its Committees.
- (ii) At the Committee stage, items would be dealt with seriatim, either separately or in smaller groups than in stage (i), in the light of the general debate in the Council and in accordance with any specific instructions to the Committee given by the Council.
- (iii) At the final plenary stage, the Council would proceed on the reports of its Committees, the basic contents of which would consist of draft resolutions.

ANNEX I*

RESOLUTION TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT

At its tenth meeting, 9 January 1948, the First Committee approved the following resolution:

"THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND EMPLOYMENT

"Having recognized in drawing up the Charter for an International Trade Organization that future prosperity and peace must be founded on full and productive employment and large and steadily growing effective demand which, although primarily dependent upon internal measures taken by individual countries, also require consultation and concerted action as well as assistance from inter-governmental agencies;

"Recognizing that different measures may be appropriate for different countries, according for example, to the stage of economic development or reconstruction and the availability of the various factors of production;

"Recognizing that inflationary as well as deflationary tendencies need to be combatted;

"Taking note of the resolution adopted by the Second Session of the General Assembly which approved the initiation of surveys of economic conditions and trends and requested recommendations by the Economic and Social Council on appropriate measures relating thereto;

"1. Notes that the Economic and Employment Commission and its Sub-Commission on Employment and Economic Stability have been instructed to consider the draft resolution on international action relating to employment prepared by the First Session of the Preparatory Committee; and

"AFFIRMS its interests in the four measures specifically recommended for study in that draft resolution.

"2. Considers that the studies which have been initiated dealing with the achievement and maintenance of full and productive employment should be advanced as rapidly as possible and that attention should be given now to methods of ensuring that high levels of employment and economic activity shall be maintained even when special factors of temporary duration now prevailing in many countries have ceased to operate, and accordingly

* This annex was originally issued on 9 January 1948 in Havana by the Conference on Trade and Employment, as document E/CONF.2/27.

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"SUGGESTS THAT, with a view to making appropriate recommendations, the Economic and Social Council, in addition to the investigations which it has already undertaken,

(a) Request the submission at an early date, by members of the United Nations and by non-members represented at the present Conference, of information concerning action which they are now taking to achieve or maintain full employment and economic stability and the nature of any prepared plans to prevent a future decline, and

(b) Request the various Specialized Agencies to indicate the nature and extent of the assistance they are preparing to provide if a decline in employment and economic activity threatens.

"3. Considers that, in many countries, the problems of persistent surplus or shortage of manpower are linked with the attainment of full and productive employment and that their solution would advance the aims of the International Trade Organization; and accordingly

"SUGGESTS THAT the Economic and Social Council initiate or encourage studies and recommend appropriate action in connection with international aspects of population problems as these relate to employment, production and demand.

"4. Considers that, in relation to the maintenance of full employment, it is advantageous to countries which require or receive and to countries which supply workers on a seasonal or temporary basis to adopt regulations which will mutually safeguard their interests and also protect both the migrants and the domestic workers against unfair competition or treatment; and accordingly

"SUGGESTS THAT the Economic and Social Council, in conjunction with appropriate agencies such as the International Labour Organization and its Permanent Migration Committee, consider the problems of temporary or seasonal migration of workers, taking into account existing treaties and long established customs and usages pertaining thereto, for the purpose of formulating, in consultation with Members directly affected, conventions and model bilateral agreements on the basis of which individual governments may concert their actions to ensure mutually advantageous arrangements for their countries and fair conditions for the workers concerned."