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Report of the Second Committee (part II)

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1. The Second Committee began its consideration of item 38 at its 1269th meeting, on 5 November 1969, when it heard an introductory statement by the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization. The item was also under discussion by the Committee at its 1270th, 1273rd to 1276th, 1287th, 1304th and 1305th meetings, held between 5 November and 9 December 1969. The Committee has already reported to the General Assembly on two aspects of its consideration of the item: (a) concerning the lists of States eligible for election to the Industrial Development Board; and (b) concerning part V of the United Nations budget.
2. When considering the item, the Committee had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/7705), the report of the Industrial Development Board,^{1/} to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session, a report by the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on a special meeting of the organization (A/7693 and Add.1), and the report of the Economic and Social Council to the General Assembly.^{2/}
3. In addition to the two draft resolutions on which it has previously reported, the Committee had before it two other draft resolutions, as set forth in sections I and II below.

^{1/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/7617).

^{2/} Ibid., Supplement No. 3, (A/7603), chapter VII.

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4. At the 1287th meeting, the representative of the Philippines, on behalf of his delegation and that of Malta, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/L.1076/Rev.1), which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Having considered the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session, 3/

"Noting in particular the Board's recommendations concerning the programme of work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for 1970 relating to the field and supporting activities of that organization, 4/

"Recalling the important recommendations of the International Symposium on Industrial Development held at Athens, Greece, in 1967, 5/

"Recalling further its resolution 2178 (XXI) which, inter alia, requested the Industrial Development Board to study in due course the recommendations of the Symposium and to take appropriate follow-up action,

"Believing that an appropriate review and assessment of the progress achieved in the implementation of the aforementioned recommendations of the Board, as well as those of the Symposium, could provide sufficient information and impetus for devising effective ways and means for attaining the speedy implementation of those recommendations with a view to responding adequately to the urgent needs and problems of the developing countries in their efforts to accelerate their industrialization,

"1. Takes note of the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session, particularly the recommendations and resolutions contained therein;

"2. Invites the Industrial Development Board with the co-operation of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to include in the Board's annual reports: (a) a comprehensive summary of the progress achieved in the implementation of all the substantive recommendations and resolutions of the Industrial Development Board and of the International Symposium on Industrial Development, as well

3/ Ibid., Supplement No. 17 (A/7617).

4/ Ibid., chapter VI.

5/ For the report of the Symposium, see United Nations publication, Sales No.: 69.II.B.7.

as practical measures and policies for attaining their early implementation, as appropriate; (b) an up-dated listing of all titles of all projects and activities undertaken by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in each country and region with estimated cost, source of financing, nature and duration by man-months of each project; titles of all seminars, expert group meetings, workshops, publications of researches and studies and (c) an outline and brief summary of the major accomplishments during the past year and of the future work programme of the organization;

"3. Suggests that the Board's reports be made as concise and substantial as possible, taking into account the additional information called for in the preceding paragraph."

5. In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of the Philippines informed the Committee of the following changes:

(a) In paragraph 1, the words "particularly the recommendations and resolutions contained therein" were deleted;

(b) Paragraph 2 (b) now read: "an up-dated listing of titles of all projects...".

6. The representative of Czechoslovakia orally proposed the following amendments:

(a) In the third paragraph of the preamble, the word "important" would be deleted;

(b) Paragraph 2 would be amended to read:

"Invites the Industrial Development Board, with the co-operation of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, to consider the possibility of including in the Board's annual reports: (a) a summary of the progress achieved...".

7. Both amendments were accepted by the sponsors.

8. The representative of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization made a statement concerning possible financial implications of the draft resolution.

9. The Committee then unanimously adopted the two-Power draft resolution, as revised.

10. At its 1304th meeting, on 9 December 1969, at the suggestion of the representative of Syria, the Committee decided, without objection, to revise paragraph 2 of the resolution which the Committee had adopted at its 1287th meeting. Paragraph 2 (c) as revised read as follows: "an outline of the future work programme of the organization;" (see paragraph 18 below, draft resolution I).

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11. At the 1305th meeting, held on 9 December, the representative of Chile, on behalf of the delegations of Algeria, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Morocco, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, the Sudan and Trinidad and Tobago, introduced a draft resolution (A/C.2/L.1093/Rev.1), which read as follows:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolutions 2089 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966 on the establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

"Having in mind resolution 22 (III) of 13 May 1969 of the Industrial Development Board that requested the Executive Director of UNIDO to consult the Member Governments on the possibility of convening a special international conference on industrialization,

"Considering the answers received so far 6/

"Taking into account resolution 24 (III) of 14 May 1969 of the Industrial Development Board, which decided that high priority should be given to the work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in connexion with accelerating industrial development in the developing countries, particularly in the less developed among them, within the framework of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

"1. Decides that a special conference of all the member countries of UNIDO, at the highest possible level of governmental representation, be held in Vienna in synchronization either with the fifth or sixth session of the Industrial Development Board, ensuring that this Conference and the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development are not held in the same year;

"2. Requests the Industrial Development Board to act as a preparatory committee of the special conference in order to propose its date and duration, to formulate its provisional agenda and its basic objectives, which should include the longer-range orientation of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, its organizational scheme and the question of financing;

"3. Further requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to prepare a report on the above-mentioned subjects for consideration at the fourth session of the Industrial Development Board."

12. In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of Chile informed the Committee of the following changes:

(a) Paragraph 1 was revised to read:

"1. Decides that a special international conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, at the highest possible level of governmental representation, be held in synchronization.....";

(b) In paragraph 2, the word "venue" was inserted before the words "date and duration", and the words "its organizational scheme" were changed to read "its organizational structure".

13. India joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

14. Various suggestions were made concerning the draft resolution. In addition, the representative of Czechoslovakia proposed the following amendments:

(a) In paragraph 1, the words "Decides that a special conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization" would be changed to read: "Suggests that a United Nations conference on industrial development";

(b) In the same paragraph, the words "be held in synchronization either with the fifth or sixth session of the Industrial Development Board" would be amended to read: "be held after six or seven years of existence of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization";

(c) Paragraph 2 would be amended to read:

"2. Requests the Industrial Development Board to consider the suggestion and the possibility for the Board to act as a preparatory committee of the special conference.....".

15. The sponsors orally revised the draft resolution to take account of the second and third amendments of Czechoslovakia (see paragraph 14 (b) and (c) above) and of suggestions made by other delegations. The changes were as follows:

(a) Paragraph 1 was revised to read:

"1. Suggests that a special international conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, at the highest possible level of governmental representatives, be held at an appropriate time, ensuring that this conference and the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development are not held in the same year, within a framework which will reduce the expenditure for holding the conference to a minimum;

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(b) Paragraph 2 was revised to read:

"2. Requests the Industrial Development Board to consider the suggestion in paragraph 1 above and the possibility for the Board to act as a preparatory committee of the special conference in order to propose its venue, date and duration, to formulate its provisional agenda and its basic objectives, including the longer-range orientation of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, its organizational structure and the question of financing;".

16. A statement by the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications of the draft resolution was circulated to the Committee under the symbol A/C.2/L.1099. The representative of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization also made a statement concerning financial implications.

17. The Committee voted on the draft resolution, as orally revised, and the amendment thereto, as follows:

(a) The amendment by Czechoslovakia (see paragraph 14 (a) above) was rejected by 16 votes to 35, with 37 abstentions;

(b) Paragraph 1, on which a separate vote was requested by Jamaica, was approved by 28 votes to 20, with 43 abstentions;

(c) Paragraph 2, on which a separate vote was requested by Jamaica, was approved by 34 votes to 7, with 46 abstentions;

(d) The eleven-Power draft resolution, as a whole, as orally revised, was adopted by 32 votes to 9, with 47 abstentions (see paragraph 18 below, draft resolution II).

RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE

18. The Second Committee therefore recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

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DRAFT RESOLUTION I

Report of the Industrial Development Board

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session,^{7/}

Noting in particular the Board's recommendations concerning the programme of work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for 1970 relating to the field and supporting activities of that organization,^{8/}

Recalling the recommendations of the International Symposium on Industrial Development held at Athens, Greece, in 1967,^{9/}

Recalling further its resolution 2178 (XXI), of 9 December 1966, which, inter alia, requested the Industrial Development Board to study in due course the recommendations of the Symposium and to take appropriate follow-up action,

Believing that an appropriate review and assessment of the progress achieved in the implementation of the aforementioned recommendations of the Board, as well as those of the Symposium, could provide sufficient information and impetus for devising effective ways and means for attaining the speedy implementation of those recommendations with a view to responding adequately to the urgent needs and problems of the developing countries in their efforts to accelerate their industrialization,

1. Takes note of the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its third session;

2. Invites the Industrial Development Board with the co-operation of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to consider the possibility of including in the Board's annual reports: (a) a summary of the progress achieved in the implementation of all the substantive recommendations and resolutions of the Industrial Development Board and of the International Symposium on Industrial Development, as well as practical measures

7/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/7617).

8/ Ibid., chapter VI.

9/ United Nations publication, Sales No.: 69.II.B.7.

and policies for attaining their early implementation, as appropriate; (b) an up-dated listing of all titles of all projects and activities undertaken by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in each country and region with estimated cost, source of financing, nature and duration by man-months of each project; titles of all seminars, expert group meetings, workshops, publications of researches and studies; and (c) an outline of the future work programme of the organization;

3. Suggests that the Board's reports be made as concise and substantial as possible, taking into account the additional information called for in the preceding paragraph.

DRAFT RESOLUTION II

Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2089 (XX) of 20 December 1965 and 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966 on the establishment of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Having in mind resolution 22 (III) of 13 May 1969 of the Industrial Development Board that requested the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to consult the Member Governments on the possibility of convening a special international conference on industrialization,

Considering the answers received so far,^{10/}

Taking into account resolution 24 (III) of 14 May 1969 of the Industrial Development Board, in which the Board decided that high priority should be given to the work of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in connexion with accelerating industrial development in the developing countries, particularly in the less developed among them, within the framework of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. Suggests that a special international conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, at the highest possible level of governmental representatives, be held at an appropriate time, ensuring that this

conference and the third session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development are not held in the same year, within a framework which will reduce the expenditures for holding the conference to a minimum;

2. Requests the Industrial Development Board to consider the suggestion in paragraph 1 above and the possibility for the Board to act as a preparatory committee of the special conference in order to propose its venue, date and duration, to formulate its provisional agenda and its basic objectives, including the longer-range orientation of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, its organizational structure and the question of financing;

3. Further requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to prepare a report on the above-mentioned subjects for consideration by the Industrial Development Board at its fourth session.
