



Twentieth session
Agenda item 40

ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with a request addressed to him by the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the Secretary-General circulates to Members of the General Assembly the resolution adopted by the Executive Board of UNESCO at its seventieth session on the proposed establishment of a specialized agency for industrial development, together with the text of certain suggested modifications to the proposals contained in the Secretary-General's report (A/5826).

Text of resolution adopted by the Executive Board of UNESCO

"Proposed establishment of a Specialized Agency for Industrial Development (document 70 EX/19 and Add.)

"The Executive Board,

"1. Having considered the report submitted by the Director-General relative to the proposed establishment of a Specialized Agency for Industrial Development (document 70 EX/19);

"2. Invites the Director-General:

(a) to inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations that UNESCO considers that international action in the field of industrial development should be intensified, with particular regard to the needs of the developing countries, through such arrangements as may be decided upon by the United Nations on the basis of its further study of the problem;

(b) to convey to the Secretary-General UNESCO's view that, should a new agency be established in this field, its terms of reference should be so conceived as to avoid duplication in those fields where existing organizations of the

United Nations system, including UNESCO, are empowered and equipped to act, and that this new agency should discharge its functions in close co-operation with these agencies;

(c) to propose to the Secretary-General for his consideration and, as appropriate, that of the General Assembly, modifications to the proposals contained in the Secretary-General's report to the General Assembly on this question (document A/5826), as indicated in paragraphs 24 and 25 and annex II of document 70 EX/19;

"3. Requests the Director-General to report to the Executive Board on the action taken by the General Assembly on the question of establishing a new agency for industrial development."

Text of suggested modifications to Secretary-General's report

(Extract from the report of the Director-General of UNESCO on the proposed establishment of a specialized agency for industrial development (document 70 EX/19 dated 25 March 1965, paragraphs 24 and 25 and annex II))

"24. The adjustments suggested by the Director-General are contained in annex II to the present document. They aim at giving more accuracy to the terminology employed and avoiding possible ambiguities, taking specially into account the relevant fields in which UNESCO is empowered and equipped to act and which are part of its approved programme, such as technical and technological education, basic and applied research, natural resources research and studies, establishment of scientific and technical information centres.

"25. No adjustment is proposed to clarify the wording 'industrial technology', mentioned in several articles of the draft statutes, on the understanding that it represents the sector of technology directly related to the manufacture of goods."

"ANNEX II

"The adjustments suggested are the following:

"I. Summary and Conclusions

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(a) Full appraisal and analysis of the conditions of each developing country for industrialization including inter alia /study and/ evaluation of resources endowment for energy and raw materials, determination of present and future requirements of industrial products, determination of the countries export potential of manufactured and semi-manufactured goods, analysis of the requirements and resources available for the establishment of industries and, generally, definition of the parameters involved in the formulation of a rational programme of industrial development.

(b), (c), (d) no change.

(e) Training of /technical and/ managerial staff needed for accelerated industrialization, including the evaluation of available training facilities and the formulation of recommendations concerning the creation of additional training programmes and curricula to meet the growing needs of the developing countries.

(f) Collection, analysis and dissemination of information relevant to industrialization, including appropriate procedures for reporting of industrial data, assistance in the establishment of industrial information /centres/ services and appropriate channels for exchange of technical data.

"II. Draft Statutes

"Article III
Functions

"In the fulfilment of its purposes, the Agency shall in particular:

"1. compile, analyse, interpret and publish information and statistics concerning the process of industrialization, including industrial technology, investment, production, programming and planning;

"2. contribute to the most effective application in the developing countries of modern industrial technology, methods of production /and the results of scientific research related to the problem of industrial technology, production/, programming and planning;

"3. propose programmes for the improvement of instruction and administration in matters related to industrial technology, production, programming and planning;

"4. promote, and where necessary, recommend national, regional and international action tending to speed up the industrial development of developing countries;

"5. assist in the regional planning of industrial development of developing countries by co-operating with the regional economic commissions of the United Nations, the other Specialized Agencies and, as may be appropriate, with other regional bodies within the framework of regional and sub-regional economic co-operation;

"6. in connexion with the functions under paragraph 5 above, study and recommend special measures for adapting and co-ordinating the measures adopted, so that in particular the less advanced of the developing countries will receive a strong impetus to their growth;

"7. offer advice and guidance on the efficient development and use of natural resources, by-products and new products of developing countries with a view to increasing their industrial productivity and also contribute to the diversification of their economies;

"8. conduct research relating to domestic and external market demands and available raw materials;

"9. study the formulation of credit policies designed to promote the industrial expansion of the developing countries and stimulate their exports of manufactures and semi-manufactures;

"10. assist in the implementation of industrial training programmes and co-operate/ in co-operation with the other Specialized Agencies in the training of the staff needed for the accelerated industrial development of the developing countries;

"11. provide technical assistance through the use of its own funds as well as through resources allocated by other organizations and agencies."
