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The *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council* include the records of the meetings, the annexes to those records and the supplements. The present volume contains the annexes of the forty-eighth session and the resumed forty-eighth session.

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## Agenda item 3:\* Development of tourism:

- (a) International Tourist Year;
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## DOCUMENT E/4810

## Report of the Economic Committee

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[27 March 1970]

1. At its 1657th meeting, held on 23 March 1970, the Economic and Social Council referred to the Economic Committee agenda item 3, entitled "Development of Tourism: (a) International Tourist Year; (b) Implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism; and (c) Review of the programmes and activities of the United Nations system of organizations for the development of tourism".

2. The Economic Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Mario Franzini (Italy), Vice-President of the Council, considered item 3 as a whole at its 503rd meeting, held on 25 March 1970 (E/AC.6/SR.503).

3. The Committee had before it the following documents:

E/4627 International Tourist Year: report of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations

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| E/4629                      | Implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism: periodic report of the Secretary-General  |
| E/4615 and<br>Corr.1        | United Nations Interregional Seminar on Tourism Development: report of the Secretary-General  |
| E/4653 and<br>Add.2 and 3   | Review of the activities and programmes of the United Nations system of organizations for the development of tourism: report of the Secretary-General |
| E/4787 (paras.<br>39 to 45) | Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fourth session   |
4. The Committee agreed, without objection, to recommend to the Council that it should:
- (a) Take note of the reports submitted under items 3 (a) and (b); and
  - (b) Defer consideration of item 3 (c) until it had considered, at its forty-ninth session, the report to be prepared pursuant to operative paragraph 6 of resolution 2529 (XXIV) of the General Assembly.

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1672nd meeting, on 3 April 1970, the Council took note of the reports submitted under sub-items (a) and (b) and decided to postpone consideration of sub-item (c) until it considered, at its forty-ninth session, the report to be prepared pursuant to paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 2529 (XXIV) of 5 December 1969.

## CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS

NOTE. This check list includes the documents mentioned during the consideration of agenda item 3 which are not reproduced in the present fascicle.

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/4615 and Corr.1	United Nations Interregional Seminar on Tourism Development (Berne, Switzerland, 21 October-2 November 1968): report of the Secretary-General	Final offset
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E/4653	Review of the activities and programmes of the United Nations system of organizations for the development of tourism: report of the Secretary-General	Final offset
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DOCUMENT E/4813\*

Report of the Economic Committee

[Original text: English]  
[1 April 1970]

1. At its 1657th meeting, held on 23 March 1970, the Economic and Social Council referred to the Economic Committee agenda item 4 (Report of the Population Commission).

2. The Economic Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Mario Franzini (Italy), Vice-President of the Council, considered item 4 at its 504th to 507th meetings, held on 25 and 31 March and 1 April 1970 (see E/AC.6/SR.504-507).

3. The Committee had before it the following documents: the report of the Population Commission on its fifteenth session (E/4768) and a report of the Secretary-General on the world population situation (E/4778).

4. The Committee took action at its 507th meeting on the four draft resolutions recommended by the Population Commission for adoption by the Council. This action is described in the following paragraphs.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON POPULATION POLICIES AND THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE (DRAFT RESOLUTION 1)

5. Amendments were submitted and adopted as follows:

(a) *Third preambular paragraph*

The representative of Yugoslavia submitted an oral amendment calling for the deletion of all the words after "Committee on Development Planning". The amendment was adopted without objection.

(b) *Fourth preambular paragraph*

The representative of Pakistan submitted an oral amendment calling for the replacement of the word "report" by the word "deliberations" and for the deletion of the words "on its third session, which agreed". The amendment was adopted without objection.

(c) *Operative paragraph 2*

The representative of India submitted an oral amendment calling for the following changes in the introductory sentence: deletion of the word "full" and insertion, between the word "give" and the word "consideration", of the phrase "as far as possible and if necessary". The amendment was adopted without objection.

6. The draft resolution, as orally amended, was adopted by 16 votes to 1, with 2 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 16, draft resolution I.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE THIRD WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE (DRAFT RESOLUTION 2)

7. The representative of Pakistan submitted an oral amendment to operative paragraph 4 calling for the replacement of the words "members of the United Nations system" by the words "specialized agencies". The amendment was adopted without objection.

8. The draft resolution, as amended, was adopted by 16 votes to 3. (For the text, see para. 16, draft resolution II.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE WORLD POPULATION YEAR (DRAFT RESOLUTION 3)

9. The Chairman orally proposed the following changes as embodying the consensus of the Committee:

(a) The replacement of preambular paragraph 1 by the following:

"Recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

"The General Assembly,

"Recalling its resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on population growth and economic development,

"Noting resolution \_\_\_\_\_ (XLVIII) of the Economic and Social Council on the Third World Population Conference,";

\* Incorporating document E/4813/Corr.1.



- (b) The deletion of preambular paragraphs 4 and 6;  
 (c) The replacement of operative paragraph 5 by the following:

“Requests the Secretary-General to report on preparatory work to the General Assembly through the Population Commission and the Economic and Social Council, and to prepare a final report on the World Population Year to be submitted to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council in 1975;”.

10. The changes were adopted by the Committee without objection.

11. The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as amended, by 14 votes to 2, with 3 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 16, draft resolution III.)

#### DRAFT RESOLUTION ON WORK PROGRAMMES AND PRIORITIES IN THE FIELD OF POPULATION (DRAFT RESOLUTION 4)

12. The representative of Kenya orally submitted an amendment to operative paragraph 6 calling for the insertion, between the words “specialized agencies” and the words “to participate”, of the phrase “in so far as it is practicable for them”. The amendment was adopted without objection.

13. The representative of the United Kingdom submitted further amendments (E/AC.6/L.410), which were adopted without objection.

14. The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as amended, by 14 votes to 1, with 4 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 16, draft resolution IV.)

15. At its 506th meeting the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided, without objection, to recommend to the Council the adoption of a resolution taking note of the report of the Population Commission on its fifteenth session. (For the text, see para. 16, draft resolution V.)

#### *Recommendations of the Economic Committee*

16. The Economic Committee accordingly recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

### I

#### POPULATION POLICIES AND THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking note* of General Assembly resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 in which the Assembly recognized the sovereignty of nations in formulating and promoting their own population policies, with due regard to the principle that the size of the family should be the free choice of each individual family,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2411 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 in which the Assembly had instructed the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Development Decade to prepare, on the basis of studies and proposals formulated by the organizations in the United Nations system, a draft of an international development strategy for the 1970s,

*Noting with appreciation* the consideration of population policies for the Second United Nations Development Decade by the Committee for Development Planning,

*Taking note* of the deliberations of the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Development Decade on a list of key areas in international co-operation for development during the Second Decade, including population, designed to fulfil the objectives for the Decade,

*Recognizing* the responsibility of the Population Commission to advise the Economic and Social Council on the interplay of demographic, economic and social factors and on any other population matters to which the organs of the United Nations or the specialized agencies may direct their attention,

1. *Calls upon* the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Development Decade and the Committee for Development Planning to give full consideration to the deliberations and recommendations of the Population Commission at its fifteenth session, with special reference to the report on the world population situation (E/CN.9/231), and to the population projections for 1965-1985;

2. *Calls upon* the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Development Decade to give, as far as possible and if necessary, consideration to including in its development strategy the following text:

“In parts of the world, efforts during the Second United Nations Development Decade to promote long-term economic and social development adequate to improve the quality of life could be frustrated by the continuance of present high rates of population growth. In such cases, for countries which consider it appropriate and in accordance with the special needs of each country, national policies aimed at the achievement of more desirable rates of population growth and at the acceptance by parents on a voluntary basis of smaller families should be regarded as among the essential aspects of development strategy for the eventual achievement of satisfactory *per capita* economic growth, which would promote human welfare and dignity”;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to study, in consultation with relevant agencies, the relationship of population growth to economic and social development with special reference to the increase of gross national product and to improving national *per capita* income and standards of living, and to disseminate widely the major results of such studies.

### II

#### THIRD WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on population growth and economic development and its own resolutions 1048 (XXXVII) of 15 August 1964, 1084 (XXXIX) of 30 July 1965, 1277 B (XLIII) and 1279 (XLIII) of 4 August 1967 and 1347 (XLV) of 30 July 1968,

*Recalling* resolution IV of the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation of 29 June 1967, resolution 1/67 of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations of 23 November 1967, resolutions 1.241, 3.251, 3.252 and 4.241 of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization of 29 November 1966, resolutions WHA 18.49 of 21 May 1965, WHA 19.43 of 20 May 1966, WHA 20.41 of 25 May 1967, WHA 21.43 of 23

May 1968 and WHA 22.32 of 23 July 1969 of the World Health Assembly, and the decision taken by the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund in 1967,

*Taking note* of resolution XVIII of the International Conference on Human Rights of 12 May 1968 and Economic and Social Council resolution 1326 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968,

*Being aware* of its resolutions 435 (XIV) of 10 June 1952, 471 (XV) of 14 April 1953, 820 C (XXXI) of 28 April 1961 and 933 (XXXV) of 5 April 1963, all of which determined the terms of reference of the first and second World Population Conferences,

*Considering* that issues centering on population trends and structures are relevant to all countries, if in varying degrees—in some in so far as high rates of growth may be intensifying pressures of population on resources and in others in so far as rates of growth may fall short of those deemed to be consistent with economic and social development—and that the global review of population policies and exchange of knowledge and experience in actions will become more urgently needed with the advent of the 1970 census rounds and other sources which will become available from studies and operations carried out in the field of population,

*Having regard* to General Assembly resolution 2361 (XXII) of 19 December 1967 on major special conferences,

1. *Approves* the proposal that a World Population Conference of representatives of Member States of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies be held under the auspices of the United Nations in 1974, and that participants consist of representatives of Member States of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and their technical advisers as well as of other selected specialists;

2. *Decides* that the Conference shall be devoted to consideration of basic demographic problems, their relationship with economic and social development, and population policies and action programmes needed to promote human welfare and development;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General in connexion with his plans for financing the World Population Conference:

(a) To seek provision in his 1971, 1972, 1973 and 1974 budget estimates for United Nations participation with the hope that adequate resources will be provided by the General Assembly;

(b) To explore the possibility of obtaining contributions from external sources so as to reduce the expenses incurred by the United Nations;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, in association with the executive heads of interested specialized agencies, and the non-governmental organizations involved in the study of population and of population problems to establish a small preparatory committee to assist in formulating an agenda based on the suggestions of the Population Commission as set forth in its report of the fifteenth session and making necessary arrangements for the Conference;

5. *Requests* the Conference to report to the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly in 1975 on findings and recommendations of the deliberations at the Conference.

### III

#### WORLD POPULATION YEAR

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recommends* to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling* its resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on population growth and economic development,

*"Noting* resolution \_\_\_\_\_ (XLVIII) of the Economic and Social Council on the Third World Population Conference,

*"Taking into account* the progress made by the Member States to cope with all aspects of the population problems within economic, social, humanistic and cultural development,

*"Recognizing* that in spite of such progress the effective realization of programmes of work in the field of population carried out by Member States and international and other organizations remains yet to be achieved in some parts of the world and also in some aspects of the population problems,

*"Convinced* that an appropriate way of intensifying the activities of lasting nature is to devote the year 1974 to extensive national and international efforts and undertakings in the field of population, and also to an international review of the achievements in the field,

*"Confident* that the designation of the year 1974 as such a year of international review will encourage all Member States and interested organizations to intensify their efforts in the intervening years, so as to show the maximum possible progress by that time,

"1. *Designates* the year 1974 as World Population Year;

"2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to undertake a programme of measures and activities by the United Nations, by Member States and by the interested organizations in the United Nations system during the year 1974, as contained in the Secretary-General's proposals (E/CN.9/224);

"3. *Invites* the interested organizations in the United Nations system to render all assistance to the Population Commission in the undertaking of the programme of measures and activities for the World Population Year;

"4. *Invites* all Member States to intensify their efforts in the field of population with the assistance of their appropriate organizations, in order that long-range aims as well as immediate targets which each Government may wish to set for carrying out its own programme of work in the field of population might be achieved during the World Population Year and thereafter;

"5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report on preparatory work to the General Assembly through the Population Commission and the Economic and Social Council, and to prepare a final report on the World Population Year to be submitted to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council in 1975."

## IV

## WORK PROGRAMMES AND PRIORITIES IN THE FIELD OF POPULATION

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling General Assembly resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 on population growth and economic development and its own resolution 1347 (XLV) of 30 July 1968 on population and its relation to economic and social development, and the long-range programme of work adopted by the Population Commission at its thirteenth session,

Taking note with satisfaction of the decision made by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination to keep population matters under constant review with the aim of ensuring maximum impact of the efforts of the organizations concerned in the United Nations system,<sup>1</sup>

Noting with appreciation the increased attention paid by the Secretary-General and the United Nations Development Programme to technical co-operation in the population field,

1. *Endorses* the five-year and two-year programmes of work in the field of population recommended by the Population Commission at its fifteenth session;

2. *Draws the attention* of the organs of the United Nations and the specialized agencies concerned to the various aspects of the programme of work of interest to them and in the implementation of which they may be able to assist in accordance with their mandates;

3. *Calls to the attention* of the General Assembly the need for providing the necessary resources, within the framework of the decision taken to balance the United Nations budget, to carry out the programme of activities recommended by the Population Commission at its fifteenth session;

4. *Invites* the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut to take the necessary steps to expand their activities in the population field along the lines recommended by the Population Commission and to give adequate status to their population programmes;

5. *Invites* the organizations in the United Nations system concerned to continue and to strengthen the collaboration and co-ordination between them in the field of population;

<sup>1</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-seventh Session, Annexes, agenda item 18, document E/4668, para. 45.*

6. *Calls upon* all States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies, in so far as it is practicable for them, to participate in the 1970 World Population Census Programme and to develop their vital statistics in accordance with the proposed World Programme for Improvement of Vital Statistics;

7. *Urges* interested Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies to give full attention to population programmes in development planning and in policy-making and to utilize the available resources to this end;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General in pursuing the work programme recommended by the Population Commission at its fifteenth session and in responding to requests from Governments:

(a) To observe such indications of priorities as have been given in the report of the Commission and in the Council;

(b) To pay special attention to technical co-operation at country and regional levels;

(c) To promote the 1970 round of population censuses and to assist, with all available resources, Governments, upon their request, in implementing them as an aid to development planning and policy-making;

(d) To undertake demographic studies needed for development planning and policy-making in developing countries;

(e) To conduct a second inquiry among the Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies concerning population trends, economic and social development, and policies and action programmes taken by them;

9. *Requests* the Population Commission to ensure that projects are more easily distinguished in its future reports to the Council and that clearer indication of the priorities of projects is given, in accordance with resolution 1367 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 of the Economic and Social Council.

## V

## REPORT OF THE POPULATION COMMISSION

*The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the report of the Population Commission on its fifteenth session.

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1673rd meeting, on 3 April 1970, the Economic and Social Council adopted draft resolutions I to V submitted by the Economic Committee (see E/4813, para. 16). Draft resolution I was adopted by a vote of 11 to 1, with 2 abstentions; draft resolution II was adopted by 19 votes to 3, with 1 abstention; draft resolution III was adopted by a vote of 17 to 2, with 4 abstentions; draft resolution IV was adopted by a vote of 18 to 1, with 4 abstentions; and draft resolution V was adopted without objection.

For the final texts, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1*, resolutions 1483 (XLVIII), 1484 (XLVIII), 1485 (XLVIII), 1486 (XLVIII) and 1487 (XLVIII), respectively.

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**CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS**

NOTE. This check list includes the documents mentioned during the consideration of agenda item 4 which are not reproduced in the present fascicle.

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/4768	Report of the Population Commission on its fifteenth session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 3</i>
E/4778	World population situation: report of the Secretary-General	Final offset
E/AC.6/L.410	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: amendments to draft resolution 4 contained in chapter XII of document E/4768	Mimeographed
E/AC.6/SR.504-507	Records of the 504th to 507th meetings of the Economic Committee	Ditto
E/C.2/690	Statement submitted by the International Council of Women	Ditto
E/CN.9/224	Question of holding a Third World Population Conference: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/CN.9/231	World population situation: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto

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## DOCUMENT E/4864

## Report of the Social Committee

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[19 May 1970]

1. The Social Committee considered item 1 of the agenda, "Social development", at its 632nd to 636th meetings (see E/AC.7/SR.632 to 636), held from 13 to 15 May 1970. The meetings were held under the chairmanship of Mr. Rachid Driss (Tunisia), Vice-President of the Council. The item had been referred to the Social Committee by the Council at its 1674th meeting, held on 11 May 1970.

2. In connexion with its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session (E/4809 and Corr.1-3) and the section of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session, relating to the work programme on social development (E/4846/Add.1).

3. In chapter XII of its report, the Commission for Social Development recommended the following four draft resolutions for adoption by the Council: draft resolution I on the social factors in improving nutrition status; draft resolution II on trends in the social situation of children; draft resolution III on social policy and planning in national development; and draft resolution IV on land reform. The financial implications of draft resolution IV submitted to the Council for adoption were contained in annex III of the report of the Commission.

4. In addition, one resolution adopted by the Commission contained a provision requiring action by the Council. This was resolution 5 (XXI), included in chapter XIII of the Commission's report, operative paragraph 1 of which contained a request addressed to the Council by the Commission.

5. Paragraph 127 of the Commission's report called for action by the Council. In this paragraph it was stated that the Commission had agreed on the proposed four-year periodicity of the *Report on the World Social Situation*.

6. Paragraph 162 of the report of the Commission also required action by the Council. In that paragraph it was noted that the Commission agreed, in the light of the present timing of the sessions of the Committee

on Housing, Building and Planning and the Commission, that the Committee should report directly to the Council, while continuing to submit its reports to the Commission for consideration. The decision of the Social Committee to recommend that the Council endorse the Commission's action on that point was taken in connexion with its consideration of item 5 of its agenda entitled: "Report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning" (see E/4865).

7. During the discussion of the item, a draft resolution (E/AC.7/L.562) was submitted by France which was later replaced by a draft decision submitted orally by the representative of France (see para. 16 below).

8. During the discussion of the item, the following amendments to the draft resolutions recommended by the Commission for Social Development (E/4809 and Corr.1-3, chap. XII) were submitted to the Committee:

E/AC.7/L.563	Yugoslavia: amendments to draft resolution II;
E/AC.7/L.564	Yugoslavia: amendment to draft resolution III;
E/AC.7/L.565	Pakistan: amendment to draft resolution III;
E/AC.7/L.566	Uruguay: amendment to draft resolution II;
E/AC.7/L.567	Uruguay: amendment to draft resolution III;
E/AC.7/L.568	Yugoslavia: amendment to draft resolution IV;
E/AC.7/L.569	Bulgaria: amendment to draft resolution IV.

9. The Committee's action on the draft resolutions and amendments before it is described below.

## DRAFT RESOLUTION I. THE SOCIAL FACTORS IN IMPROVING NUTRITION STATUS

10. No amendments were submitted to the draft resolution, which the Committee unanimously adopted at its 634th meeting. (For the text, see para. 18 below, draft resolution I.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION II. TRENDS IN THE SOCIAL SITUATION OF CHILDREN

11. The representatives of Yugoslavia and Uruguay submitted amendments to draft resolution II (E/AC.7/L.563 and E/AC.7/L.566, respectively). The representative of Yugoslavia withdrew his amendments to the second preambular paragraph at the 635th meeting. He orally revised his amendment to operative paragraph 2 by incorporating in it a suggestion by the representative of France to replace the words "fully the needs of children, particularly" by "such needs particularly". The Committee voted at the same meeting on draft resolution II and the amendments thereto as follows:

(a) The Yugoslav amendments (see E/AC.7/L.563) to the third preambular paragraph were adopted by 11 votes to 6, with 3 abstentions.

(b) The Yugoslav amendment (see E/AC.7/L.563) to operative paragraph 1 was adopted by 17 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

(c) The Yugoslav amendments (see E/AC.7/L.563) to operative paragraph 2, as orally revised by the sponsor, were adopted by 19 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

(d) The amendment of Uruguay (E/AC.7/L.566) to operative paragraph 3 was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 1 abstention.

(e) Draft resolution II, as a whole, as amended, was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 1 abstention. (For the text, see para. 18 below, draft resolution II.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION III. SOCIAL POLICY AND PLANNING IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

12. The representatives of Yugoslavia and Uruguay submitted amendments to the draft resolution (E/AC.7/L.564 and E/AC.7/L.567). At the 635th meeting the representative of Pakistan orally revised his amendment to operative paragraph 3 (E/AC.7/L.565) by incorporating a suggestion made by the representative of India and making further changes. The revised text of his amendment reads as follows:

"3. *Endorses* the principle of the unified approach envisaged by the draft strategy of the Second United Nations Development Decade and requests those United Nations bodies to be charged with the implementation of the strategy to give serious consideration to the role of the Commission for Social Development in the continuing appraisal of the progress of this implementation".

At the same meeting the Committee voted as follows on draft resolution III and amendments thereto:

(a) The Yugoslav amendment to operative paragraph 1 (b) (i) was adopted by 18 votes to none, with 5 abstentions;

(b) The amendment submitted by Uruguay to operative paragraph 1 (b) (ii) was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 1 abstention;

(c) The amendment submitted by Pakistan to operative paragraph 3, as orally revised, was adopted by 12 votes to 8, with 3 abstentions;

(d) Draft resolution III as a whole, as amended, was adopted unanimously. (For the text, see para. 18 below, draft resolution III.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION IV. LAND REFORM

13. The representative of Yugoslavia withdrew at the 635th meeting his amendment (E/AC.7/L.568) to

the fourth preambular paragraph; and the representative of Bulgaria introduced an amendment (E/AC.7/L.569) which would add an operative paragraph to the draft resolution.

14. At the same meeting, the Committee voted as follows on draft resolution IV and the Bulgarian amendment thereto:

(a) The Bulgarian amendment was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 2 abstentions;

(b) Operative paragraph 4, which was voted on separately at the request of the representative of the USSR, was adopted by 21 votes to none, with 2 abstentions;

(c) Draft resolution IV as a whole, as amended, was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 1 abstention. (For the text, see para. 18 below, draft resolution IV.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

15. At the 635th meeting the Committee unanimously adopted a resolution, proposed orally by the Chairman, by which the Council would take note of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session. (For the text, see para. 18 below, draft resolution V.)

*Recommendations of the Economic Committee*

16. At the 635th meeting, the representative of France orally submitted the text of a draft decision to replace the draft resolution (E/AC.7/L.562) submitted by his delegation regarding resolution 5 (XXI) of the Commission for Social Development (see E/4809 and Corr.1-3, chap. XIII). He subsequently further orally revised this decision to read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council draws the attention of the bodies responsible for preparing the Second United Nations Development Decade to resolution 5 (XXI) of the Commission for Social Development."

At the same meeting the draft decision was adopted by 16 votes to none, with 4 abstentions. The Committee therefore recommends this decision for adoption by the Council.

17. The Committee also recommends to the Council that it approve the agreement by the Commission for Social Development that the *Report on the World Social Situation* should, in future, be issued every four years.

18. The Social Committee recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

I

THE SOCIAL FACTORS IN IMPROVING NUTRITION STATUS

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the mandate to the Commission for Social Development in Council resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966 to give priority attention to programmes furthering, *inter alia*, the aim of eliminating hunger and raising the levels of health and nutrition,

*Reaffirming* the statement in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development that the elimination of hunger and malnutrition should be a primary social objective, particularly in relation to the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Noting with appreciation* the report by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on social questions in the improvement of the nutrition status in developing countries (E/CN.5/446) which draws attention to: (a) the present low levels of food consumption and nutrition in developing countries and their adverse effects on the health and productivity of the population; (b) the conclusion of the study on the Indicative World Plan for Agricultural Development that, despite the attainment of food production objectives, malnutrition would continue until 1985 mainly due to inequalities in the distribution of staple foods; and (c) the possibility of a serious gap between effective demand and supply of protein by 1985 that would aggravate the problem of unequal distribution of protein foods in most developing countries,

*Deeply concerned* at the serious and possibly irreversible physical and mental harm inflicted by malnutrition on over 300 million children, and on other vulnerable groups, in the developing countries,

*Realizing* that adequate nutrition is essential to the health and social well-being of the family and nation and is a vital factor in national development,

*Recognizing* the importance of improving social and economic structures, based on social justice, in bringing about conditions conducive to adequate nutrition in the framework of a better life for all groups of the population,

*Convinced* that the situation calls for urgent and concerted action by Governments and the organizations of the United Nations system concerned, at the national, regional and international levels,

1. *Recommends* that Governments, in consonance with the principle of balanced, integrated economic and social development, should adopt, in the context of the Second United Nations Development Decade, adequate food and nutrition policies based on adequate studies of social and cultural factors in relation to consumption, as an integral part of their national development plans, with the aim of eliminating hunger and malnutrition and making available the benefits of proper nutrition to all sectors of the population, particularly the children and other vulnerable groups;

2. *Recommends* that Governments participating in regional bodies or associations, within or outside the United Nations, should give due importance to co-operation for the attainment of adequate nutrition for their peoples;

3. *Requests* the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in co-operation as appropriate with the United Nations and the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other agencies concerned, to strengthen further United Nations assistance to Governments in the formulation and implementation of sound food and nutrition policies. Such assistance should take due account of the importance of education and research, the necessity for effective interdisciplinary and inter-agency collaboration, and the key role of women and the family as a whole. But above all, such assistance should be action-oriented, in view of the urgent need for improving the nutritional situation of the developing countries;

4. *Requests* the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to strengthen programmes aimed at aug-

menting the development of national food resources and improving the quality and distribution of food in the developing countries, particularly the extensive production of protein foods of marine origin in view of their promising potential;

5. *Requests* the World Health Organization in co-operation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Children's Fund and other appropriate organizations of the United Nations system to intensify action and research on the health aspects of malnutrition in order to meet the situation of malnourished populations, particularly infants, children and expectant and nursing mothers;

6. *Recommends* that the present resolution be brought to the attention of all United Nations bodies concerned with plans and programmes for the Second United Nations Development Decade.

## II

### TRENDS IN THE SOCIAL SITUATION OF CHILDREN

#### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on trends in the social situation of children (E/CN.5/448),

*Considering* that, in accordance with the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, the child should grow up in an atmosphere of affection and of moral and material security such as is normally provided by the family, that he should be protected by law and by other means against the risks inherent in the physical and social environment, against disease and against malnutrition and that he should be prepared for an active life through suitable education and training,

*Believing* that the achievement of these aims is vital for rapid and sustained social progress and development and for an effective participation of the young generation in the developmental processes and in community life,

*Reaffirming* its belief that observance of the rights of the child as they have been proclaimed by the United Nations calls for a greater effort on the part of the international community and Governments,

*Aware* that the social situation of children, particularly in the developing countries, remains disturbing and that the number of sick, under-nourished and uneducated children in the world is increasing,

*Recalling* its resolution 1445 (XLVII) of 1 August 1969 and General Assembly resolution 2582 (XXIV) of 15 December 1969, which mention the contribution that the present generation of children and young people could make towards the achievement of economic, social and cultural progress,

*Recalling* the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples,

1. *Invites* the Secretary-General and the competent organizations of the United Nations system, particularly the United Nations Children's Fund because of the importance of the part it plays in developing services for children, to increase their efforts to learn more about the needs of children and youth and to assist Governments in carrying out co-ordinated and intersectoral measures designed to satisfy these needs;

2. *Further invites* the Secretary-General and the competent organizations in the United Nations system



to intensify their assistance to Governments during the Second United Nations Development Decade with a view to enabling them to meet such needs particularly in the fields of health, nutrition, education and social welfare, without losing sight of the over-all aspect of the problems and laying particular emphasis on the training of personnel;

3. *Draws the attention* of Member States and organizations in the United Nations system to the need to increase their efforts to prevent and eliminate suffering among children, including those who are the victims of wars and of injustice emanating from existing colonial régimes, to meet the needs of physically and mentally handicapped children, and to provide protection for children born out of wedlock, for those who have not found an appropriate social and emotional environment, because their families were incomplete or broken, or for any other reason, and for those whose work is exploited for material gain, without prejudice to the continuation of efforts to achieve the abolition of child labour in all countries;

4. *Stresses* the importance of the transition from adolescence to adulthood and recommends to the international community and particularly to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization that they devote special attention to the psychosociological problems involved, with a view to ensuring a progressive and satisfactory participation of young people in society and preparing them for their future role therein;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit the present report on trends in the social situation of children to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session and to prepare, at appropriate intervals, further reports on particular aspects of the subject, especially on the implementation of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, for submission to the General Assembly through the Commission for Social Development.

### III

#### SOCIAL POLICY AND PLANNING IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966 in which it recognized the interrelated character of economic and social factors and the importance of planning social development, in conjunction with economic development, for achieving better standards of life and the role of the Commission for Social Development as a preparatory body of the Council in the whole range of social development plans,

*Recalling* its resolution 1320 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 in which it reaffirmed the necessity for progressive integration of social and economic goals and programmes in the context of the strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

*Recalling also* its resolution 1409 (XLVI) of 5 June 1969 which requested the Secretary-General to review and evaluate the means at his disposal to further the integrated aims of the Decade, and to report to it through the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-first session,

*Recalling* General Assembly resolution 2436 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 on the world social situation,

*Recalling further* General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 which cited planning for social progress and development as an integrated part of balanced over-all development planning, among the means and methods of achieving social progress and development,

*Recognizing* that in the actual experience of developing countries, limited resources impose practical limitations on the implementation of development programmes,

*Noting with appreciation* the report of the Meeting of Experts on Social Policy and Planning in national development (E/CN.5/445), and the request of the Secretary-General for the Commission's comments on that report to guide him in the work immediately ahead in completing the preparations for the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. *Endorses, inter alia*, the views of the experts regarding:

(a) The need for a unified approach to development analysis and planning which would fully integrate the economic approach with the social approach in the formation of policies at the national and international levels;

(b) The need to include in this approach components which are designed

(i) To leave no section of the population outside the scope of change and development;

(ii) To effect structural change which favours national development and to activate all sectors of the population and social organizations, to ensure their participation in the development process;

(iii) To aim at social equity, including the achievement of equitable distribution of income in the nation;

(iv) To give high priority to the development of human potentials including the provision of employment opportunities and the needs of children;

(c) The need for improvement of social data, including evaluation of the quality of existing data and indicators, as well as the need for research on critical social bottle-necks and on the social consequences of policy alternatives, in order that these might provide a sound basis for policy decisions and planning;

(d) The need to adapt programmes for the training of planners and administrators to this unified approach to development;

(e) The need to increase understanding of the political process leading to policy and planning decisions;

2. *Recommends* that Governments take into account this unified approach to development planning, in the light of their particular national conditions, objectives and priorities;

3. *Endorses* the principle of the unified approach envisaged by the draft strategy of the Second United Nations Development Decade and requests those United Nations bodies to be charged with the implementation of the strategy to give serious consideration to the role of the Commission for Social Development in the continuing appraisal of the progress of this implementation;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to undertake, in co-operation with other members of the United Nations family, further work on this unified approach

in order to submit a draft framework on this subject to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-second session and to submit a report on the unified approach at the earliest possible date;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure effective co-ordination of the work undertaken on social indicators of development, taking into account research carried out on that subject by the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development and by other agencies in the United Nations system, and to give Governments every assistance in order to enable them to develop such indicators at the national or regional levels, which could also be of value as international measurements;

6. *Urges* the Secretary-General to consult with the heads of appropriate specialized agencies on the further strengthening of inter-agency co-operation in development work, particularly at the country level;

7. *Stresses* the need for additional bilateral and multilateral aid for development and, within this context, for making adequate sources of finance available for social purposes;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to include in the agenda of the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly an item entitled "The Second United Nations Development Decade: social policy and planning in national development".

#### IV

##### LAND REFORM

###### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the summary of the fifth report on progress in land reform (E/4617 and Corr.1 and 2) as well as the note by the Secretary-General on land reform (E/CN.5/444),

*Having taken note* of resolution 5/69 on 27 November 1969 on agrarian reform adopted by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations at its fifteenth session calling upon the Director-General of that organization to appoint, after consultations with the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation, a special committee on agrarian reform,

*Recognizing* the need to ensure that the small farm owner, tenant and landless workers should share fully in the benefits of the technological breakthrough in productivity through the introduction of new high-yielding varieties of grains, referred to as the "green revolution",

*Recognizing* the part played by co-operation in general, and in particular by co-operation in agriculture, in using modern techniques to increase the productivity of labour and the well-being of the rural worker,

1. *Urges* the Secretary-General, in the preparations for the Second United Nations Development Decade, bearing in mind the objectives of the Indicative World Plan for Agricultural Development of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the World Employment Programme of the International Labour Organisation, to take fully into account the role of comprehensive agrarian reform, which is essential not only for rural development, but also for balanced development as a whole;

2. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General and the heads of the interested agencies of the United Nations system, particularly the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Labour Organisation, the World Food Programme as well as

the United Nations Development Programme, give higher priority than heretofore to financial and technical assistance to member countries in undertaking projects for land reform, rural institutional development, including co-operatives, and integrated land-use planning;

3. *Recommends* that Governments of Member States:

(a) Take fully into account the need for agrarian reform in the preparation and implementation of their national development plans and that Governments of developing countries make effective use, within their own priorities, of the development assistance resources of the United Nations agencies;

(b) Take measures to promote agricultural co-operation and the use of modern techniques in agriculture;

(c) Take measures that may abolish social inequalities to bring about a better distribution of incomes and raise the living level of the rural populations;

(d) Support all efforts that may help to improve the situation of the rural workers;

(e) Ensure and protect the right of agricultural workers, small farm owners and tenants to form their own organizations and ensure that such organizations shall be consulted in the process of implementing decisions on land reform;

4. *Welcomes* the initiative taken at the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations regarding the appointment of a special committee on agrarian reform and recommends that the Secretary-General appoint a highly qualified specialist in the social aspects and over-all planning of land reform to participate in the work of the committee;

5. *Recommends* that the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation, submit to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission for Social Development as appropriate, a summary of the report of the special committee on agrarian reform, together with recommendations for policies and action programmes for the Second United Nations Development Decade;

6. *Supports* the proposal of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development to undertake, in consultation with the Social Development Division of the United Nations Secretariat, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation, an intensive programme of studies into the implications of the "green revolution";

7. *Further recommends* that the Secretary-General report to the Economic and Social Council, through the Commission for Social Development, on progress made in these studies and, as part of the concerted programme of the United Nations system for comprehensive agrarian reform, on the implementation of any recommendations arising from them.

#### V

##### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

###### *The Economic and Social Council*

*Takes note* of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session (E/4809 and Corr.1-3).

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1690th meeting, on 26 May 1970, the Economic and Social Council adopted draft resolutions I to V submitted by the Social Committee (see E/4864, para. 18). Draft resolution I, orally amended in English and Spanish, and draft resolutions II and III were adopted unanimously. Draft resolution IV was adopted by 25 to none with 2 abstentions. Draft resolution V was adopted unanimously. For the final texts, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1A*, resolutions 1492 (XLVIII), 1493 (XLVIII), 1494 (XLVIII), 1495 (XLVIII) and 1496 (XLVIII).

At the same meeting, the Council approved the agreement by the Commission for Social Development that the *Report on the World Social Situation* should, in future, be issued every four years. The Council also drew the attention of the bodies responsible for the preparation for the Second United Nations Development Decade to resolution 5 (XXI) of the Commission.

## CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS

NOTE. This check list includes the documents mentioned during the consideration of agenda item 1 which are not reproduced in the present fascicle.

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/4617 and Corr.1 and 2	Summary of the fifth report on progress in land reform prepared by the Secretary-General in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation	Mimeographed
E/4809 and Corr.1-3	Report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7</i>
E/4846/Add.1	Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session	<i>Ibid., Supplement No. 9, chapter II</i>
E/4865	Report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning: report of the Social Committee	<i>Ibid., Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Annexes, agenda item 5</i>
E/AC.7/L.562	France: draft resolution	Mimeographed
E/AC.7/L.563	Yugoslavia: amendments to draft resolution II contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.564	Yugoslavia: amendment to draft resolution III contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.565	Pakistan: amendment to draft resolution III contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.566	Uruguay: amendment to draft resolution II contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.567	Uruguay: amendment to draft resolution III contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.568	Yugoslavia: amendment to draft resolution IV contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.569	Bulgaria: amendment to draft resolution IV contained in chapter XII of the report of the Commission for Social Development	Ditto
E/AC.7/SR.632 to 636	Records from 632nd to 636th meetings of the Social Committee	Ditto
E/CN.5/444	Land Reform: note by the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/CN.5/445	Social policy and planning in national development: report of the meeting of experts on social policy and planning held at Stockholm, September 1969	Ditto
E/CN.5/446	Social aspects of nutrition: social questions in the improvement of nutrition status in developing countries (submitted by FAO)	Ditto
E/CN.5/448	Trends in the social situation of children: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto



## ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

## OFFICIAL RECORDS

ANNEXES

RESUMED FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION

NEW YORK, 1970

## Agenda item 2:\* Human rights:

- (a) Report of the Commission on Human Rights;
- (b) Co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa;
- (c) Respect for human rights in armed conflicts

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## DOCUMENT E/4868\*

## Report of the Social Committee

[Original text: English]  
[26 May 1970]

1. At its 635th to 645th meetings, held from 15 to 22 May 1970 under the chairmanship of Mr. Rachid Driss (Tunisia), Vice-President of the Council, the Social Committee considered item 2 of the Council's agenda, entitled "Human rights: (a) Report of the Commission on Human Rights; (b) Co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa; (c) Respect for human rights in armed conflicts" (see E/AC.7/SR.635 to 645), which had been referred to it by the Council at its 1674th meeting, on 11 May 1970.

2. In connexion with sub-item (a), the Committee had before it for consideration the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its twenty-sixth session (E/4816 and Add.1), and the report of the Special Working Group of Experts established under resolution 6 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights (E/CN.4/1016 and Add.1-5); for its consideration of sub-item (b), the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa (E/4817 and Corr.1); and in connexion with sub-item (c), it had before it the report of the Secretary-General on respect for human rights in armed conflicts.<sup>1</sup>

3. In chapter XXIV of the report of the Commission on Human Rights, six draft resolutions were recommended by the Commission for action by the Council. These were:

I. Study of equality in the administration of justice.

II. Question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity.

III. Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including policies of racial discrimination and segregation and of *apartheid*, in all countries, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories.

IV. Question of the realization of the economic, social and cultural rights contained in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and the study of special problems relating to human rights in developing countries.

V. Procedure for dealing with communications relating to violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

VI. Report of the Commission on Human Rights.

The financial implications of draft resolutions I, IV and V submitted to the Council for action, of resolutions 1, 2, 7, 8, 10 and 11 adopted by the Commission and of the decision taken by the Commission regarding the study of discrimination in the matter of political rights, were contained in document E/4816/Add.1.

4. In addition, three resolutions adopted by the Commission, as well as three decisions taken by it, contained provisions requiring action by the Council. These were resolution 8, operative paragraph 3; resolution 13, part I, operative paragraph 6; resolution 14, operative paragraph 1; the decision to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly, through the Council, the conclusion and the observations expressed in the Commission on the question of

\* Incorporating document E/4868/Corr.1 and 2.

<sup>1</sup> Document A/7720 relating to agenda item 61 of the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly, issued separately (offset).

the establishment of commissions on human rights at the national level; the decision to transmit to the Council the programme of work of the Commission with the changes arising out of the decisions reached during the twenty-sixth session of the Commission; and the decision to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly the observations of the members of the Commission on the report of the Secretary-General on respect for human rights in armed conflicts. The resolutions and decisions referred to above were contained in chapter XXIII of the Commission's report.

5. The Committee also had before it the following documents:

Review of the human rights programme: note by the Secretary-General (E/L.1310); report of the Committee on Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session: work programme in the field of human rights (E/4846/Add.5);\* and the working documents of the twenty-sixth session of the Commission on Human Rights (E/CN.4/1038).

6. During the discussion of the item, the following documents were submitted for the Committee's consideration:

- E/AC.7/L.570 France: amendments to draft resolution V submitted to the Council by the Commission on Human Rights;
- E/AC.7/L.571 Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: amendments to draft resolution V submitted by the Commission on Human Rights;
- E/AC.7/L.572 Italy: amendment to draft resolution V submitted by the Commission on Human Rights;
- E/AC.7/L.573 and Rev.1 Uruguay: amendments to draft resolution V submitted by the Commission on Human Rights;
- E/AC.7/L.574 Bulgaria and Sudan: draft resolution;
- E/AC.7/L.575 India, Pakistan and Sudan: draft resolution;
- E/AC.7/L.576 India, Sudan and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: draft resolution.

7. The Committee's action on draft resolutions and amendments before it is described below.

#### DRAFT RESOLUTION I. STUDY OF EQUALITY IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

8. No amendments were submitted to this draft resolution, which the Committee unanimously adopted at its 639th meeting. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution I.)

#### DRAFT RESOLUTION II. QUESTION OF THE PUNISHMENT OF WAR CRIMINALS AND OF PERSONS WHO HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

9. The voting on draft resolution II took place at the 639th meeting. At that meeting the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics submitted oral amendments which called for:

(a) The insertion, between the phrase "The Economic and Social Council" and the first preambular paragraph, of the phrase "*Recommends* to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,"*;

(b) The replacement, in the first preambular paragraph, of the words "General Assembly" by the word "its";

(c) The replacement, in operative paragraph 6, of the words "twenty-seventh session of the Commission on Human Rights" by "twenty-sixth session of the General Assembly".

The Committee adopted the USSR amendments by 8 votes to 2, with 12 abstentions. It then adopted draft resolution II as a whole, as amended, by 8 votes to 2, with 12 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution II.)

#### DRAFT RESOLUTION III. QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING POLICIES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND SEGREGATION AND OF *apartheid*, IN ALL COUNTRIES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

10. No amendments were submitted to draft resolution III, which the Committee voted upon at its 641st meeting. The representative of Argentina requested a separate vote on operative paragraphs 13 and 14. Operative paragraph 13 was adopted by 15 votes to 10, with 1 abstention; operative paragraph 14 was adopted by 15 votes to 9, with 2 abstentions. The voting on the paragraphs, which was by roll-call at the request of the representative of the People's Republic of the Congo, was as follows:

##### *Operative paragraph 13*

*In favour:* Bulgaria, Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Pakistan, People's Republic of the Congo, Peru, Sudan, Tunisia, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia

*Against:* Argentina, Brazil, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Norway, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay

*Abstaining:* Japan.

##### *Operative paragraph 14*

*In favour:* Bulgaria, Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Pakistan, People's Republic of the Congo, Peru, Sudan, Tunisia, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Upper Volta, Yugoslavia

*Against:* Brazil, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Norway, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay

*Abstaining:* Argentina, Japan.

Draft resolution III as a whole was adopted by 16 votes to none, with 10 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution III.)

#### DRAFT RESOLUTION IV. QUESTION OF THE REALIZATION OF THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS CONTAINED IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND IN THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, AND THE STUDY OF SPECIAL PROBLEMS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

11. No amendments were submitted to the draft resolution, which the Committee adopted at its 639th meeting by 21 votes to none, with 1 abstention. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution IV.)

**DRAFT RESOLUTION V. PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS**

12. The Chairman called attention to the following corrections to be made in the text of draft resolution V by pointing out that in the first preambular paragraph the words "resolution 17 (XXV)" should be replaced by "resolutions 7 (XXVI) and 17 (XXV)", so that the beginning of the first preambular paragraph should read "Noting resolutions 7 (XXVI) and 17 (XXV) of the Commission". In operative paragraphs 2 and 3, the words "twenty-second session" should read "twenty-third session".

13. The following delegations submitted amendments to the operative part of the draft resolution:

(a) To paragraph 1: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/AC.7/L.571) and Uruguay (E/AC.7/L.573/Rev.1)

(b) To paragraph 5: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/AC.7/L.571) and Uruguay (E/AC.7/L.573/Rev.1)

(c) To paragraph 6: France (E/AC.7/L.570), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/AC.7/L.571) and Uruguay (E/AC.7/L.573/Rev.1)

(d) To paragraph 7: France (E/AC.7/L.570), Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/AC.7/L.571) and Uruguay (E/AC.7/L.573/Rev.1)

(e) To paragraph 9: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (E/AC.7/L.571).

14. Italy submitted an amendment (E/AC.7/L.572) calling for the addition of a paragraph at the end of the operative part of the resolution.

15. At the 642nd meeting, the representative of Uruguay orally revised his second amendments to paragraph 1 as follows:

the phrase "systematic and reliably attested serious violations of human rights", which was to replace "gross violations of human rights", was revised to read "gross and reliably attested violations of human rights".

At the same meeting, he also revised one of his amendments to paragraph 5 as follows:

the phrase "systematic and reliably attested violations" which was to replace "gross violations", was revised to read "gross and reliably attested violations".

At the 643rd meeting, the representative of Uruguay withdrew his amendment to paragraph 6.

16. At the 643rd meeting, the Committee voted as follows on draft resolution V and the amendments thereto:

**(a) Operative paragraph 1**

(i) The amendment by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was rejected by 11 votes to 9, with 3 abstentions.

(ii) The Committee decided, without objection, not to vote on the first amendments by Uruguay as it concerned the Spanish text only.

(iii) The second amendment by Uruguay, as orally revised by the sponsor, was adopted by 7 votes to 2, with 16 abstentions.

**(b) Operative paragraph 5**

(i) The amendment by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was rejected by 8 votes to 7, with 8 abstentions.

(ii) No vote was taken on the amendments by Uruguay, as orally revised, since the former concerned only the Spanish text and the latter was identical with the second amendment by Uruguay to paragraph 1, on which a decision had already been taken.

**(c) Operative paragraph 6**

(i) The amendment by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was rejected by 11 votes to 6, with 6 abstentions.

(ii) The amendment by France was adopted by 18 votes to none, with 8 abstentions.

**(d) Operative paragraph 7**

(i) The representative of Uruguay orally revised his amendment to provide that, in the event of the adoption of the French amendment, it would become a new sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph 7, reading as follows: "(d) The Committee shall strive for friendly solutions before, during and even after the investigation".

(ii) The Committee adopted the amendments by France as follows: sub-paragraph (a) was adopted by 14 votes to none, with 11 abstentions; sub-paragraph (b), by 13 votes to none, with 9 abstentions; and sub-paragraph (c), by 17 votes to 1, with 7 abstentions.

(iii) The amendment by Uruguay, as orally revised to constitute a new sub-paragraph (d), was adopted by 9 votes to 1, with 16 abstentions.

(iv) The amendment by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was rejected by 12 votes to 5, with 6 abstentions.

**(e) Operative paragraph 9**

The amendment by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was adopted by 8 votes to 6, with 11 abstentions.

**(f) Addition of a new operative paragraph 10**

The amendment by Italy calling for a new operative paragraph 10 was adopted by 17 votes to none, with 8 abstentions.

**(g) Draft resolution V**

Draft resolution V as a whole, as amended, was adopted by 14 votes to 7, with 5 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution V.)

**DRAFT RESOLUTION VI. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

17. No amendments were submitted to this draft resolution, which the Committee adopted without objection at the 645th meeting. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution VI.)

**DRAFT RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY BULGARIA AND THE SUDAN (E/AC.7/L.574) ENTITLED "PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS"**

18. At the 643rd meeting, the sponsors orally revised operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution by accepting a suggestion by the representative of India. The revised text of paragraph 3 read as follows:

"3. *Decides* to consider this question again at its fiftieth session, taking into account the comments and notes of the States Members of the United Nations, the records of the discussion on this matter during its resumed forty-eighth session and the action taken by the Commission on Human Rights in accordance with paragraph 1 above."

19. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by 12 votes to 11, with 1 abstention, not to vote on the draft resolution before voting on draft resolution V submitted by the Commission on Human Rights.

20. At the 643rd meeting the Committee voted on the resolution by Bulgaria and Sudan, as orally revised. The result of the vote was 11 in favour, 12 against, with 2 abstentions. At the request of some representatives, a new vote was taken. On a roll-call vote requested by the representative of France, the Committee rejected the draft resolution by 12 votes to 12, with 3 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:* Brazil, Bulgaria, Ceylon, Chad, Greece, India, Indonesia, People's Republic of the Congo, Peru, Sudan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yugoslavia

*Against:* Argentina, France, Ghana, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Norway, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Upper Volta, Uruguay

*Abstaining:* Kenya, Pakistan, Tunisia.

DRAFT RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY INDIA, PAKISTAN AND THE SUDAN (E/AC.7/L.575) ENTITLED "ACTIVITIES ARISING OUT OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION"

21. No amendments were submitted to the draft resolution, which the Committee adopted, by 12 votes to none, with 11 abstentions, at its 644th meeting. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution VII.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY INDIA, SUDAN AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS (E/AC.7/L.576) ENTITLED "RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICTS"

22. At the 644th meeting, the representative of the Sudan, on behalf of the sponsors, orally revised operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution by inserting, between the words "colonial" and "territories", the words "and occupied". At the same meeting, the representative of the United States moved, under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, that the Committee take no vote on the draft resolution.

23. At the 645th meeting the Committee decided, by 9 votes to 7, with 6 abstentions, to vote on the motion by the United States. It also decided, by 9 votes to 7, with 6 abstentions, not to take a vote on the draft resolution.

RESOLUTION WITH REGARD TO THE RECOMMENDATION CONTAINED IN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6 OF RESOLUTION 13 (XXVI), PART I, OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

24. At the 640th meeting, the Chairman orally proposed a draft resolution whereby the Council, noting resolution 13 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights, would authorize the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Periodic Reports on Human Rights, notwithstanding

the provisions of resolution 1074 C (XXXIX) of the Council, to submit its report to the Commission on Human Rights within one year following the receipt of the reports referred to in paragraph 6 of resolution 1074 C (XXXIX). The Committee unanimously adopted the draft resolution. (For the text, see para. 26 below, draft resolution VIII).

### *Recommendations of the Social Committee*

25. In addition to the eight draft resolutions recommended for adoption in paragraph 26 below, the Social Committee makes the following recommendations to the Council:

(a) To forward, in accordance with paragraph 3 of resolution 8 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights, the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts established under resolutions 2 (XXIII), 2 (XXIV) and 21 (XXV) of the Commission (E/CN.4/1020 and Add.1-3) to the Special Committee on the Policies of *Apartheid* of the Government of the Republic of South Africa, the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the United Nations Council for Namibia;

(b) To transmit to the General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 14 (XXVI) of the Commission, the preliminary report of the Secretary-General on human rights and scientific and technological developments (E/CN.4/1028 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1 and Add.4);

(c) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2200 C (XXI) of 16 December 1966 the conclusion and the observations expressed in the Commission on the question of the establishment of commissions on human rights at the national level;

(d) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to transmit to the Council the programme of work of the Commission with changes arising out of the decisions reached during that session;

(e) To take note of the report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa (E/4817 and Corr.1);

(f) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly the observations of the members of the Commission and of the Social Committee on the report of the Secretary-General on respect for human rights in armed conflicts.<sup>2</sup>

26. The Social Committee recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

## I

### STUDY OF EQUALITY IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* resolution 1 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights,

<sup>2</sup> *Idem.*

*Requests* the Secretary-General to make arrangements for Mr. Abu Rannat, the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities responsible for the study of equality in the administration of justice, to attend the meetings of the Commission on Human Rights when it considers his report.

## II

### QUESTION OF THE PUNISHMENT OF WAR CRIMINALS AND OF PERSONS WHO HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recommends* to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling* its resolution 2583 (XXIV) of 15 December 1969 on the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity,

*"Noting with regret* that the numerous decisions adopted by the United Nations on the question of the punishment of war criminals and of persons who have committed crimes against humanity are still not being complied with fully,

*"Expressing deep concern* at the fact that in present-day conditions, as a result of aggressive wars and the policies and practices of racism, *apartheid* and colonialism and other similar ideologies and practices, war crimes and crimes against humanity are being committed in various parts of the world,

*"Convinced* that a thorough investigation of war crimes and crimes against humanity, as also the arrest, extradition and punishment of persons guilty of such crimes—wherever they may have been committed—and the establishment of criteria for determining compensation to the victims of such crimes, are important elements in the prevention of similar crimes now and in the future, and also in the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, the strengthening of confidence and the development of co-operation between peoples and the safeguarding of international peace and security,

*"1. Draws attention* to the fact that many war criminals and persons who have committed crimes against humanity are continuing to take refuge in the territories of certain States and are enjoying protection;

*"2. Calls upon* all States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies to take measures, in accordance with recognized principles of international law, to arrest such persons and extradite them to the countries where they have committed war crimes and crimes against humanity, so that they can be brought to trial and punished in accordance with the laws of those countries;

*"3. Condemns* the war crimes and crimes against humanity at present being committed as a result of aggressive wars and the policies of racism, *apartheid* and colonialism and calls upon the States concerned to bring to trial persons guilty of such crimes;

*"4. Also calls upon* all the States concerned to intensify their co-operation in the collection and exchange of information which will contribute to the detection, arrest, extradition, trial and punishment of persons guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity;

*"5. Once again requests* the States concerned, if they have not already done so, to take the necessary measures for the thorough investigation of war crimes and crimes against humanity, as defined in article I of the Convention on the Non-Applicability of Statutory Limitations to War Crimes and Crimes against Humanity, and for the detection, arrest, extradition and punishment of all war criminals and persons guilty of crimes against humanity who have not yet been brought to trial or punishment;

*"6. Requests* the Secretary-General to continue, in the light of the comments and observations submitted by Governments, the study of the question of the punishment of war crimes and crimes against humanity, and also of the criteria for determining compensation to the victims of such crimes in order to submit a report on this question to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session."

## III

### QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, INCLUDING POLICIES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND SEGREGATION AND OF *apartheid*, IN ALL COUNTRIES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL AND OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* resolution 8 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights on the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts (E/CN.4/1020 and Add.1-3),

*Requests* the General Assembly to adopt the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling* its resolution 2440 (XXIII) of 19 December 1968 in which, *inter alia*, it condemned any and every practice of torture, inhuman and degrading treatment of detainees and prisoners in South African police custody and prisons during interrogation and detention,

*"Recalling* its resolution 2505 (XXIV) of 20 December 1969 in which it expressed the firm intention of the United Nations, acting in co-operation with the Organization of African Unity, to intensify its efforts to find a solution to the present grave situation in southern Africa,

*"Also recalling* Security Council resolutions 264 (1969) of 20 March 1969 and 269 (1969) of 12 August 1969 on Namibia,

*"Further recalling* General Assembly resolution 2547 A (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 on, *inter alia*, the degrading and inhuman treatment and torture of political prisoners, detainees and captured freedom fighters in the Territories ruled by Governments and régimes wedded to the policies of *apartheid*, racial discrimination and colonialism, in southern Africa,

*"Determined* to promote immediate and urgent action with a view to restoring the human rights and fundamental freedoms of the oppressed peoples of southern Africa,

*"1. Commends* the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts for the valuable report it has submitted (E/CN.4/984 and Add.1-19);

*"2. Reaffirms* the legitimacy of the struggles of the peoples of southern Africa to oppose the policies of *apartheid*, racial discrimination and colonialism and to assert their right to self-determination;



"3. *Condemns* any and every practice of torture and ill-treatment of prisoners, detainees and captured freedom fighters in Namibia, Southern Rhodesia and the African Territories under Portuguese domination, as well as of persons in police custody in these Territories;

"4. *Again condemns* any and every practice of torture and ill-treatment of prisoners and detainees in prisons and in police custody in South Africa;

"5. *Reaffirms* that the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners, of 30 August 1955 apply to all political prisoners or detainees, in prison or in police custody throughout South Africa, Namibia—a Territory under direct United Nations responsibility and presently under illegal South African occupation—the rebel United Kingdom colony of Southern Rhodesia and the African Territories under Portuguese domination;

"6. *Condemns* the trial of the twenty-two Africans held under the Suppression of Communism Act and further condemns their subsequent re-arrest under the notorious Terrorism Act;

"7. *Reaffirms* that:

"(a) The condition of political prisoners in South Africa continues to cause alarm;

"(b) The increasing co-operation between the Government of South Africa and the illegal racist régime in Southern Rhodesia poses a further and continuing threat to the opponents of the two régimes and to captured freedom fighters;

"(c) Sections 10 and 29 of the General Law Amendment Act, 1969, concerning the Bureau of State Security not only constitute one of the most sinister pieces of legislation in recent years but also contribute decisively towards making South Africa a complete police State; the working of that law is also contrary to article 11, paragraph 1, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, since it prevents the accused from proving his innocence;

"(d) Many political prisoners and detainees have died in South African prisons during 1969, in conditions which warrant a full inquiry;

"(e) Mr. James Lenkoe, a political prisoner in South Africa, did not commit suicide as reported, but died as a result of electric shocks administered to various parts of his body;

"(f) The practice of compelling prisoners to testify against their erstwhile comrades is reprehensible;

"(g) In the Caprivi strip, Namibian villages have been shelled by the occupying South African security forces and indiscriminate firing has been resorted to in villages that are suspected of harbouring freedom fighters;

"(h) The system of 'Bantustans' established in South Africa is being gradually extended to the occupied Territory of Namibia;

"(i) In the absence of intervention by the United Nations, occupation of Namibia by South Africa is resulting in ever-increasing hardship to the non-white population as well as a total suppression of human rights there;

"(j) The so-called 'Constitution of Rhodesia' of 1969 is an illegal as well as a pernicious document and the 'Declaration of Rights' embodied in the above 'Constitution' confers few, if any, rights on non-whites;

"(k) Section 84 of the 1969 'Constitution of Rhodesia' providing that 'no court shall inquire into or pronounce upon the validity of any law on the ground that it is inconsistent with the "Declaration of Rights"', establishes a clear inconsistency in the illegal 'legislation' itself and, further, brings out the authoritarian and racist character of the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia;

"(l) The reserves in Southern Rhodesia consist of poor and infertile lands into which Africans are herded like cattle;

"(m) The condition of Africans in the reserves is appalling and nothing is being done to improve their conditions of hygiene, diet, nutrition, sanitation, health and their educational standards;

"(n) In the Portuguese Territories mass killing of suspected opponents of the régime continues unabated;

"(o) The most inhuman form of forced labour prevails in the African Territories under Portuguese domination;

"8. *Calls upon* the Government of South Africa to implement the recommendations contained in the earlier reports of the Group and also:

"(a) Immediately to disband the Bureau of State Security;

"(b) To discontinue the practice by which political detainees are compelled to testify against their former colleagues;

"(c) To release immediately and unconditionally the twenty-two Africans re-arrested under the Terrorism Act, on 16 February 1970;

"(d) To grant full access at all trials of political opponents of the régime to independent outside observers;

"(e) To permit a full and impartial investigation into the deaths of political prisoners and detainees in its gaols as well as to indemnify fully the families of the deceased;

"9. *Condemns* the trial of the eight Namibians under the Terrorism Act, which took place in Windhoek between July 1969 and November 1969, and further calls upon the Government of South Africa:

"(a) To release immediately and unconditionally those tried under the above-mentioned Terrorism Act;

"(b) To desist forthwith from the extension of the 'Bantustans' system into Namibia;

"10. *Once again calls upon* the Government of South Africa to terminate its illegal occupation of the Territory of Namibia in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions on the subject;

"11. *Calls upon* the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to intervene in its rebellious colony of Southern Rhodesia with a view to:

"(a) Implementing the action proposed by the Group of Experts in paragraphs 82 to 94 of its report (see E/CN.4/984/Add.8);

"(b) Liberating the Africans from the reserves in which they are concentrated in conditions of near captivity and bondage;

"(c) Repealing the entire so-called 'Constitution of Rhodesia' of 1969;

"12. *Calls upon* the Government of Portugal:

"(a) To observe immediately the provisions of the Geneva Conventions of 1949;

"(b) To eradicate the practice of *xibalo* or forced labour in its African colonies;

"(c) To introduce a system in which the products of the African farmers can be freely bought and sold in normal market conditions;

"13. *Condemns* once again the actions of those Governments which continue to maintain diplomatic, economic, cultural and other relations with the Government of South Africa and with the illegal régime in Southern Rhodesia in violation of United Nations resolutions;

"14. *Calls upon* those Governments to break off such relations;

"15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session on the implementation of the present resolution and also to report to the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-seventh session on the measures taken to publicize the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts."

#### IV

QUESTION OF THE REALIZATION OF THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS CONTAINED IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND IN THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, AND THE STUDY OF SPECIAL PROBLEMS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 1421 (XLVI) of 6 June 1969,

*Noting* resolution 11 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights,

1. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur to complete his study as soon as possible, taking into account the views expressed at the twenty-sixth session of the Commission on Human Rights, and to submit his final report to the Commission if possible at the twenty-seventh session, but in any case no later than the twenty-eighth session in 1972;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue providing to the Special Rapporteur all assistance necessary for the early completion of the report and, in particular, to urge once again those Governments and specialized agencies which have not yet done so to submit information on the effectiveness of the methods and means used by them in the realization of economic, social and cultural rights.

#### V

PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* resolutions 7 (XXVI) and 17 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights and resolution 2 (XXI) of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

1. *Authorizes* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to appoint a working group consisting of not more than five of its

members, with due regard to geographical distribution, to meet once a year in private meetings for a period not exceeding ten days immediately before the sessions of the Sub-Commission to consider all communications, including replies of Governments thereon, received by the Secretary-General under Council resolution 728 F (XXVIII) of 30 July 1959 with a view to bringing to the attention of the Sub-Commission those communications, together with replies of Governments, if any, which appear to reveal a consistent pattern of gross and reliably attested violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms within the terms of reference of the Sub-Commission;

2. *Decides* that the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities should, as the first stage in the implementation of this resolution, devise at its twenty-third session appropriate procedures for dealing with the question of admissibility of communications received by the Secretary-General under Council resolution 728 F (XXVIII) and in accordance with Council resolution 1235 (XLII) of 6 June 1967;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to prepare a document on the question of admissibility of communications for the Sub-Commission's consideration at its twenty-third session;

4. *Further requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To furnish to the members of the Sub-Commission every month a list of communications prepared by him in accordance with Council resolution 728 F (XXVIII) and a brief description of them, together with the text of any replies received from Governments;

(b) To make available to the members of the working group at their meetings the originals of such communications listed as they may request, having due regard to the provisions of paragraph 2 (b) of Council resolution 728 F (XXVIII) concerning the divulging of the identity of the authors of communications;

(c) To circulate to the members of the Sub-Commission, in the working languages, the originals of such communications as are referred to the Sub-Commission by the working group;

5. *Requests* the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to consider in private meetings, in accordance with paragraph 1 above, the communications brought before it in accordance with the decision of a majority of the members of the working group and any replies of Governments relating thereto and other relevant information, with a view to determining whether to refer to the Commission on Human Rights particular situations which appear to reveal a consistent pattern of gross and reliably attested violations of human rights requiring consideration by the Commission;

6. *Requests* the Commission on Human Rights after it has examined any situation referred to it by the Sub-Commission to determine:

(a) Whether it requires a thorough study by the Commission and a report and recommendation thereon to the Council in accordance with paragraph 3 of Council resolution 1235 (XLII);

(b) Whether it may be a subject of an investigation by an *ad hoc* committee to be appointed by the Commission which shall be undertaken only with the express consent of the State concerned and shall be conducted in constant co-operation with that State and under con-

ditions determined by agreement with it. In any event, the investigation may be undertaken only if:

(i) All available means at the national level have been resorted to and exhausted;

(ii) The situation does not relate to a matter which is being dealt with under other procedures prescribed in the constituent instruments of, or conventions adopted by, the United Nations and the specialized agencies, or in regional conventions, or which the State concerned wishes to submit to other procedures in accordance with general or special international agreements to which it is a party.

7. *Decides* that if the Commission appoints an *ad hoc* committee to carry on an investigation with the consent of the State concerned:

(a) The composition of the committee shall be determined by the Commission. The members of the committee shall be independent persons whose competence and impartiality is beyond question. Their appointment shall be subject to the consent of the Government concerned;

(b) The committee shall establish its own rules of procedure. It shall be subject to the quorum rule. It shall have authority to receive communications and hear witnesses, as necessary. The investigation shall be conducted in co-operation with the Government concerned;

(c) The committee's procedure shall be confidential, its proceedings shall be conducted in private meetings and its communications shall not be publicized in any way;

(d) The committee shall strive for friendly solutions before, during and even after the investigation;

(e) The committee shall report to the Commission on Human Rights with such observations and suggestions as it may deem appropriate;

8. *Decides* that all actions envisaged in the implementation of the present resolution by the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities or the Commission on Human Rights shall remain confidential until such time as the Commission may decide to make recommendation to the Economic and Social Council;

9. *Decides* to authorize the Secretary-General to provide all facilities which may be required to carry out the present resolution, making use of the existing staff of the Division of Human Rights of the United Nations Secretariat;

10. *Decides* that the procedure set out in the present resolution for dealing with communications relating to violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms should be reviewed if any new organ entitled to deal with such communications should be established within the United Nations or by international agreement.

## VI

### REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Takes note* of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its twenty-sixth session.

## VII

### ACTIVITIES ARISING OUT OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AT ITS TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having noted* the statement of financial implications prepared by the Secretary-General on the decisions taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session,

1. *Decides* that the activities arising out of the decisions taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session in resolutions 8 (XXVI) and 10 (XXVI) should be undertaken in 1970 in conformity with the relevant decisions of the Commission, bearing in mind the necessity to effect the maximum savings when allocating funds;

2. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to inform the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions that the Council, taking into account the provisions of paragraph 1 above, considers the relevant programmes and expenditures to be of an urgent nature.

## VIII

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* resolution 13 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights,

*Authorizes* the *Ad Hoc* Committee on Periodic Reports on Human Rights, notwithstanding the provisions of resolution 1074 C (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965 of the Council, to submit its report to the Commission on Human Rights within one year following the receipt of the reports referred to in paragraph 6 of resolution 1074 C (XXXIX).

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1693rd meeting, on 27 May 1970, the Council adopted the draft resolutions submitted by the Social Committee (see E/4868, para. 26). Draft resolution I was adopted unanimously; draft resolution II was adopted by 16 votes to 2, with 9 abstentions; draft resolution III, by 17 votes to none, with 10 abstentions; draft resolution IV, by 26 votes to none, with 1 abstention; draft resolution V, as orally amended in English, by 14 votes to 7, with 6 abstentions; draft resolution VI was adopted unanimously; draft resolution VII was adopted by 12 votes to none, with 14 abstentions; and draft resolution VIII was adopted unanimously. For the final texts, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1A*, resolutions 1499 (XLVIII), 1500 (XLVIII), 1501 (XLVIII), 1502 (XLVIII), 1503 (XLVIII), 1504 (XLVIII), 1505 (XLVIII) and 1506 (XLVIII).

At the same meeting, the Council decided:

(a) To forward, in accordance with paragraph 3 of resolution 8 (XXVI) of the Commission on Human Rights, the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts (E/CN.4/1020 and Add.1-3) established under resolutions 2 (XXIII), 2 (XXIV) and 21 (XXV) of the Commission to the Special Committee on the Policies of *Apartheid* of the Government of the Republic of South Africa, the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and the United Nations Council for Namibia;

(b) To transmit to the General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 14 (XXVI) of the Commission, the preliminary report of the Secretary-General on human rights and scientific and technological developments (E/CN.4/1028 and Add.1-3 and Add.3/Corr.1, and Add.4);

(c) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2200 C (XXI) of 16 December 1966 the conclusion and the observations expressed in the Commission on the question of the establishment of commissions on human rights at the national level;

(d) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to transmit to the Council the programme of work of the Commission with changes arising out of the decisions reached during that session;

(e) To take note of the report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of *apartheid* and racial discrimination in southern Africa;

(f) To approve the decision taken by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session to request the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly the observations of the members of the Commission and of the Social Committee on the report of the Secretary-General on respect for human rights in armed conflicts.<sup>3</sup>

At the same meeting, the Council decided to transmit to the General Assembly the draft resolution (E/CN.4/L.1139) on the report of the *Ad Hoc* Working Group of Experts established under resolutions 2 (XXIII), 2 (XXIV) and 21 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights.

<sup>3</sup> *Idem.*

### CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS

NOTE. This check list includes the documents mentioned during the consideration of agenda item 2 which are not reproduced in the present fascicle.

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/4816	Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its twenty-sixth session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 5</i>
E/4816/Add.1	Financial implications of resolutions adopted by the Commission on Human Rights at its twenty-sixth session	Mimeographed
E/4817 and Corr.1	Co-ordination of United Nations activities with regard to policies of <i>apartheid</i> and racial discrimination in Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/4846/Add.5	Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 9, chapter VI</i>
E/AC.7/L.750	France: amendment to draft resolution V contained in chapter XXIV of the report of the Commission on Human Rights	Mimeographed
E/AC.7/L.571	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: amendments to draft resolution V contained in chapter XXIV of the report of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.572	Italy: amendment to draft resolution V contained in chapter XXIV of the report of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.573 and Rev.1	Uruguay: amendments to draft resolution V contained in chapter XXIV of the report of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.574	Bulgaria and Sudan: draft resolution	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.575	India, Pakistan and Sudan: draft resolution	Ditto
E/AC.7/L.576	India, Sudan and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: draft resolution	Ditto
E/AC.7/SR.635 to 645	Records from 635th to 645th meetings of the Social Committee	Ditto

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/CN.4/4984 and Add.1-19	Report of the <i>Ad Hoc</i> Working Group of Experts established under resolutions 2 (XXIII) and 2 (XXIV) of the Commission	Ditto
E/CN.4/1016 and Add.1-5	Report of the Special Working Group of Experts established under resolution 6 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/CN.4/1020 and Add.1-3	Report of the <i>Ad Hoc</i> Working Group of Experts on the investigation requested in resolution 21 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/CN.4/1028 and Add.1-4	Human rights and scientific and technological developments: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/CN.4/1038	Working documents of the twenty-sixth session of the Commission on Human Rights	Ditto
E/CN.4/L.1139	Ghana, India, United Republic of Tanzania and Yugoslavia: draft resolution	Ditto
E/L.1310	Review of the human rights programme: note by the Secretary-General	Ditto



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**Agenda item 3:\* Report of the Commission on the Status of Women**


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## DOCUMENT E/4870

## Report of the Social Committee

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[26 May 1970]

1. At its 644th to 647th meetings, held on 22 and 25 May 1970 under the chairmanship of Mr. Rachid Driss (Tunisia), Vice-President of the Council, the Social Committee considered item 3 of the Council's agenda (Report of the Commission on the Status of Women), which had been referred to it by the Council at its 1674th meeting, held on 11 May 1970 (see E/AC.7/SR.644 to 647).

2. The Committee had before it, for its consideration of the item, the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-third session (E/4831) and the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work programme of the Commission on the Status of Women (E/4846/Add.3 and Corr.1).

3. In chapter XIII of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women, the following nine draft resolutions were recommended to the Economic and Social Council for action:

- I. Employment of qualified women in senior and other professional positions by the secretariats of organizations in the United Nations system
- II. Programme of concerted international action for the advancement of women
- III. Elimination of illiteracy among women
- IV. Repercussions of scientific and technological progress on the status of women workers
- V. The unmarried mother and her child: their social protection and the question of their integration in society
- VI. The legal and social status of the unmarried mother
- VII. Protection of women and children in emergency or wartime, fighting for peace, national liberation and independence
- VIII. Increased activities relating to the status of women at the regional level

IX. Influence of activities of foreign economic and other interests on the living conditions of women in dependent territories.

4. In addition, one resolution adopted by the Commission required action by the Council. This was resolution 9 (XXIII) (see E/4831, chap. XII), by which the Commission on the Status of Women requested the Council, when it considered the question of the calendar of conferences at its forty-ninth session in July-August 1970, to accede to the request addressed to it by the General Assembly in its resolution 2587 (XXIV) to reconsider its decision of 8 August 1969, so that the Commission on the Status of Women might continue to meet annually, preferably three to four months after the General Assembly. The financial implications of the resolution were contained in annex III of the Report of the Commission on the Status of Women. In that connexion, the Committee also had before it the recommendation by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination that the Commission on the Status of Women should meet biennially (E/4846/Add.3 and Corr.1, para. 4).

5. The action taken by the Committee on the draft resolutions, at its 647th meeting, is summarized below:

- (a) DRAFT RESOLUTION I. EMPLOYMENT OF QUALIFIED WOMEN IN SENIOR AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS BY THE SECRETARIATS OF ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

The representative of Ireland proposed the addition, in the draft resolution recommended for adoption by the General Assembly, of a first preambular paragraph reading as follows: "Recalling Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations".

The Committee adopted the amendment without objection.

It adopted draft resolution I, as a whole, as amended, by 16 votes to none, with 4 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution I.)

(b) DRAFT RESOLUTION II. PROGRAMME OF CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

The Committee accepted the re-wording of operative paragraph 4 of the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly, following the suggestion of the representative of the Secretary-General, to read as follows:

“4. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission on the Status of Women, if possible at its twenty-fourth session, information on the extent to which women are participating in, and benefiting from, technical co-operation projects.”

The Committee voted as follows on the draft resolution:

The fourth preambular paragraph, on a separate vote requested by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, was adopted by 19 votes to none, with 2 abstentions.

The fifth preambular paragraph, on a separate vote requested by France, was adopted by 10 votes to none, with 11 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 2, on a separate vote requested by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, was adopted by 14 votes to none, with 8 abstentions.

Paragraph 3, on a separate vote requested by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and France, was adopted by 4 votes to none, with 18 abstentions.

Paragraph 6, on a separate vote requested by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, was adopted by 13 votes to none, with 7 abstentions.

The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted by 21 votes to none, with 1 abstention. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution II.)

(c) DRAFT RESOLUTION III. ELIMINATION OF ILLITERACY AMONG WOMEN

The draft resolution was adopted unanimously. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution III.)

(d) DRAFT RESOLUTION IV. REPERCUSSIONS OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORKERS

The representative of Greece submitted an oral amendment to operative paragraph 3 (b) of the draft resolution calling for replacement of the word “continuing” by “lifelong”. This amendment was adopted unanimously on the understanding that it affected the English text only.

The Committee voted as follows on draft resolution IV:

Operative paragraph 3 (c), on a separate vote requested by Ceylon, was adopted by 12 votes to none, with 9 abstentions.

Operative paragraph 3 (d), on a separate vote requested by Ceylon, was adopted by 19 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted unanimously. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution IV.)

(e) DRAFT RESOLUTION V. THE UNMARRIED MOTHER AND HER CHILD: THEIR SOCIAL PROTECTION AND THE QUESTION OF THEIR INTEGRATION IN SOCIETY

The draft resolution was adopted unanimously. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution V.)

(f) DRAFT RESOLUTION VI. THE LEGAL AND SOCIAL STATUS OF THE UNMARRIED MOTHER

The representative of Italy moved that the Committee recommend to the Council that it take no action at the present session on the draft resolution and that it request the Secretary-General to forward the draft resolution to Governments for their comments in order that the Commission on the Status of Women might reconsider it in the light of the replies from Governments.

The Committee adopted the motion by 13 votes to 5, with 7 abstentions. (See para. 7 below.)

(g) DRAFT RESOLUTION VII. PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN EMERGENCY OR WARTIME, FIGHTING FOR PEACE, NATIONAL LIBERATION AND INDEPENDENCE

The representative of Pakistan orally proposed the following amendment to the draft resolution: The addition of the word “self-determination”, in operative paragraphs 3 (c) and 5, after the words “struggle for peace”.

The Committee adopted the amendment by 21 votes to none, with 4 abstentions.

It adopted the draft resolution, as a whole, as amended, by 21 votes to none, with 4 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution VI.)

(h) DRAFT RESOLUTION VIII. INCREASED ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE STATUS OF WOMEN AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics moved that the draft resolution be referred back to the Commission on the Status of Women. The Committee rejected the Soviet motion by 4 votes to 3, by 18 abstentions.

It adopted the draft resolution by 12 votes to 2, with 11 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution VII.)

(i) DRAFT RESOLUTION IX. INFLUENCE OF ACTIVITIES OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC AND OTHER INTERESTS ON THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF WOMEN IN DEPENDENT TERRITORIES

The draft resolution was adopted by 18 votes to none, with 7 abstentions. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution VIII.)

DRAFT RESOLUTION TAKING NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

6. On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee adopted without objection, at its 647th meeting, a draft resolution by which the Council would take note of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-third session (E/4831) and endorse its programme of work contained in chapter VI of the report. (For the text, see para. 8 below, draft resolution IX.)

Recommendations of the Committee

7. The Committee recommends to the Council that it take no action at the present session on draft resolution VI submitted by the Commission (see E/4831, chap. XIII) and that it request the Secretary-General to forward the draft resolution to Governments for

their comments in order that the Commission on the Status of Women might reconsider it in the light of the replies from Governments.

8. The Committee transmits to the Council the request made to it in its resolution 9 (XXIII) (*ibid.*, chap. XII) by the Commission regarding the periodicity of its sessions, taking into account also the recommendation on the subject by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (E/4846/Add.3, para. 4) when it considers the calendar of conferences and meetings at the forty-ninth session.

9. The Social Committee therefore recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

## I

### EMPLOYMENT OF QUALIFIED WOMEN IN SENIOR AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS BY THE SECRETARIATS OF ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

#### *The Economic and Social Council*

Transmits to the General Assembly the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations,*

*"Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,*

*"Recalling further the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,*

*"1. Expresses the hope that the United Nations, including its special bodies and all intergovernmental agencies of the United Nations family of organizations, will set an example with regard to the opportunities they afford for the employment of women at senior and other professional levels;*

*"2. Urges the United Nations, including its special bodies and all intergovernmental agencies of the United Nations family of organizations, to take or continue to take appropriate measures to ensure equal opportunities for the employment of qualified women in senior and other professional positions;*

*"3. Requests the Secretary-General to include in the report he submits to the General Assembly on the composition of the Secretariat data on the employment of women in senior and other professional levels by the secretariats of the above-mentioned bodies, including their numbers and the positions occupied."*

## II

### PROGRAMME OF CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

#### *The Economic and Social Council*

Invites the General Assembly to adopt the following draft resolution:

*"The General Assembly,*

*"Recalling its resolution 1777 (XVII) of 7 December 1962 initiating the study of a unified long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women,*

*"Recalling also the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women adopted on 7 November 1967 and the Declaration of Social Progress and Development adopted on 11 December 1969,*

*"Noting resolution IX of the International Conference on Human Rights, held in Teheran in 1968, on measures to promote women's rights in the modern world, including a unified long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women which established guidelines for such a programme,*

*"Noting also that in accordance with General Assembly resolution 2571 (XXIV) of 13 December 1969 arrangements should be made 'to keep under systematic scrutiny the progress towards achieving the goals and objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade, to identify shortfalls in their achievement and the policies that are not consistent with the attainment of those objectives and to recommend positive measures, including new goals and policies as needed',*

*"Expressing the hope that general and complete disarmament will allow for the use of the resources released progressively for purposes of economic and social progress of all peoples and in particular elaboration of programmes designed to advance the status of women,*

*"Believing that a programme of concerted international action, planned on a long-term basis, will advance the status of women and increase their effective participation in all sectors,*

*"Considering that the success of such a programme will require intensified action on the part of Member States at the national and regional levels, as well as maximum use of the methods and techniques available through the United Nations system of organizations,*

*"Believing that an important step in the further development of such a programme would be the establishment of concrete objectives and minimum targets,*

*"1. Recommends that the objectives and targets set forth in the annex to the present resolution should be achieved as widely as possible during the Second United Nations Development Decade;*

*"2. Invites States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies and all organs and agencies within the United Nations system to co-operate in achieving these objectives and targets, and hopes that adequate staff and resources will be made available for this purpose;*

*"3. Recommends that concerted efforts be made to increase the resources available for technical co-operation projects which advance the status of women and that consideration be given to allocating a specific percentage of the available funds for this purpose;*

*"4. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission on the Status of Women, if possible at its twenty-fourth session, information on the extent to which women are participating in, and benefiting from, technical co-operation projects;*

*"5. Recommends that conferences, seminars and similar meetings at the regional and international levels be organized with the participation, wherever possible, of ministers, high government officials and specialists concerned with problems of development, and of representatives of non-governmental organizations concerned with this problem to consider ways and means of promoting the status of women within the framework of over-all development;*



"6. *Draws attention* to the important role that may also be played in this respect by the regional training and research institutes for social development to be established pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1406 (XLVI) of 5 June 1969;

"7. *Suggests* that the continuous education of adults be encouraged in order to help to change in particular their attitude of mind towards the roles to be played by men and women in order to help them to assume their responsibilities in society.

#### "ANNEX

##### "I. General objectives

"(1) The ratification of, or accession to, the relevant international conventions relating to the status of women.

"(2) The enactment of legislation to bring national laws into conformity with international instruments relating to the status of women, including in particular the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

"(3) The taking of effective legal and other measures to ensure the full implementation of these instruments.

"(4) The development of effective large-scale educational and informational programmes using all mass media and other available means to make all sectors of the population in rural as well as urban areas fully aware of the norms established by the United Nations and the specialized agencies in the conventions, recommendations, declarations and resolutions adopted under their auspices and to educate public opinion and enlist its support for all measures aimed at achieving the realization of the standards set forth.

"(5) The assessment and evaluation of women's contribution to the various economic and social sectors in relation to the country's over-all development plans and programmes, with a view to the establishment of specific objectives and minimum targets which might realistically be achieved by 1980 to increase the effective contribution of women to the various sectors.

"(6) The study of the positive and negative effects of scientific and technological change on the status of women, with a view to ensuring continuous progress, especially as regards the education and training as well as the living conditions and employment of women.

"(7) The elaboration of short-term and long-term programmes to achieve these specific objectives and minimum targets, where possible within the framework of over-all national development plans or programmes, and the provision of adequate funds for programmes which advance the status of women.

"(8) The establishment of machinery and procedures to make possible the continuous review and evaluation of women's integration into all sectors of economic and social life and their contribution to development.

"(9) The full utilization of the desire and readiness of women to devote their energies, talents and abilities to the benefit of society.

##### "II. Minimum targets to be achieved during the Second United Nations Development Decade

###### "A. Education

"(1) Progressive elimination of illiteracy, ensuring equality in literacy between the sexes, especially among the younger generation.

"(2) Equal access of boys and girls to education at the primary and secondary levels and at educational institutions of all types, including universities and vocational, technical and professional schools.

"(3) Decisive progress in achieving free and compulsory education at the primary level and in achieving free education at all levels.

"(4) The establishment of the same choice of curricula for boys and girls, the same examinations, equally qualified teaching staff, and the same quality of school premises and equipment, whether the institutions are co-educational or not, and equal opportunities to receive scholarships and grants.

"(5) The achievement of equality in the percentage of boys and girls receiving primary education and of a substantial increase in the number of girls at all educational levels, in particular in the field of technical and professional education.

"(6) The establishment of educational policies that take account of employment needs and opportunities and of scientific and technological change.

###### "B. Training and employment

"(1) Provision of the same vocational advice and guidance to members of both sexes.

"(2) Equal access for girls and women to vocational training and retraining at all levels, with a view to achieving their full participation in the economic and social life of their countries.

"(3) Universal acceptance of the principle of equal pay for equal work and the adoption of effective measures to implement it.

"(4) Full acceptance of the policy of non-discrimination in relation to the employment and treatment of women and measures to give effect to that policy on a progressive basis.

"(5) A substantial increase in the numbers of qualified women employed in skilled and technical work and in all higher levels of economic life and in posts of responsibility.

###### "C. Health and maternity protection

"(1) The progressive extension of measures to ensure the protection of maternity, with a view to ensuring paid maternity leave with the guarantee of returning to former or equivalent employment.

"(2) The development and extension of adequate child care and other facilities to assist parents with family responsibilities.

"(3) The adoption of measures for the creation and development of a wide network of special medical establishments for the protection of the health of the mother and child.

"(4) Making available to all persons who so desire the necessary information and advice to enable them to decide freely and responsibly on the number and spacing of their children and to prepare them for responsible parenthood, including information on the ways in which women can benefit from family planning.

###### "D. Administration and public life

"(1) A substantial increase in the number of women participating in public and government life at the local, national and international levels. Special attention might be paid to training women for such participation, especially in middle-level and higher posts.

"(2) A substantial increase in the number of qualified women holding responsible posts at the executive and policy-making levels, including those related to over-all development planning."

### III

#### ELIMINATION OF ILLITERACY AMONG WOMEN

##### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Having considered* the report prepared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on equal access of women to literacy (E/CN.6/538),

*Considering* that illiteracy is one of the main obstacles to the progress of women in general and to the effective exercise of their rights and responsibilities in particular,

*Considering also* that progress in eliminating illiteracy and in raising the standard of general education at all levels would not fail to bring about an improvement whereby all citizens, and more particularly women, would contribute more fully to the development of their countries,

1. *Appeals* to Member States, non-governmental organizations and other voluntary organizations to intensify their efforts to ensure that all the necessary steps are taken and every facility provided to enable women in both rural and urban regions to start or continue their education, making full use of all the available adult education programmes;

2. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to assign an important place in its functional literacy programmes to women who are still illiterate and to give assistance to all governmental and non-governmental literacy undertakings, *inter alia* by acquainting them with modern techniques and methods for overcoming illiteracy;

3. *Suggests* that non-governmental organizations should undertake or continue activities aimed at public opinion, national parliaments and public authorities, with the express aim of:

(a) Securing the signing and ratification of the Convention against Discrimination in Education adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in 1960;

(b) Raising the standard of literacy among adults, particularly among women on account of their having lagged so far behind;

(c) Helping to train leaders for literacy campaigns and to devise methods of stimulating the interest of women.

#### IV

##### REPERCUSSIONS OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN WORKERS

###### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 1328 (XLIV) of 31 May 1968 and 1394 (XLVI) of 5 June 1969 concerning the repercussions of scientific and technological progress on the status of women workers,

*Considering* that the progress of science and its technological applications opens up wide prospects of economic, social and cultural progress and of improving the standard of living,

*Noting* that modern scientific and technological progress requires the highest level of vocational training of workers,

*Bearing in mind* that the introduction of the latest techniques, mechanization and automation of production processes give women access to many new vocations,

*Considering* that general education and vocational training acquire exceptional importance under conditions of scientific and technological progress,

*Considering* that scientific and technological progress gives rise to numerous and complex problems, according to the regions, categories of workers, occupational sectors and individuals,

*Noting* that some unfavourable consequences of scientific and technological progress weigh more heavily upon the status of women workers,

*Noting* in that connexion the low degree of skill of most women workers and the difficulty of changing occupations resulting therefrom,

*Noting also* women's limited geographical mobility, due usually to their family responsibilities,

*Aware* of the need for preparation, guidance and vocational training constantly adjusted to scientific and technological progress and to the requirements of economic development,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the attention being given by the United Nations to examining the effect of scientific and technological developments on the status of women in contemporary society;

2. *Draws the attention* of Member States and of interested international organizations to the conclusions of the European Seminar on that topic, held at Iasi, Romania, from 5 to 18 August 1969 by the United Nations in co-operation with the Romanian Government;

###### 3. *Requests* Member States:

(a) To make provision in school programmes for appropriate general education that prepares the ground for a flexible vocational training which can be adjusted at all times to the structure of employment, and to which girls and boys have equal access under the same conditions;

(b) To ensure that lifelong adult education, accelerated vocational training and vocational and other re-training are available to men and women under the same conditions;

(c) To see to it that new opportunities for employment are accorded on the basis of individual ability and aptitudes, irrespective of sex and without division of work into men's and women's work;

(d) To see to it that no reduction is permitted in the employment of women, in particular in skilled work;

(e) To pay special attention to the problems of environment, social installations, hygiene and occupational safety associated with scientific and technological progress;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the specialized agencies concerned, in particular the International Labour Organisation, as well as Member States, to continue to study the repercussions of scientific and technological progress on the conditions of work and employment of women and to submit periodic reports on that question to the Commission on the Status of Women;

5. *Requests* the International Labour Organisation to study ways of evaluating work which would permit the efficient implementation of the principle of real equality of pay for women and men for equal work;

6. *Requests* the International Labour Organisation to continue its review of international conventions from the point of view of the changes that occur as a result of scientific and technological progress.

#### V

##### THE UNMARRIED MOTHER AND HER CHILD: THEIR SOCIAL PROTECTION AND THE QUESTION OF THEIR INTEGRATION IN SOCIETY

###### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Noting* that the number of unmarried mothers is still increasing in some countries,

*Noting further* that owing to her status and the inadequacy of measures of social protection in her favour, the unmarried mother and her child are still the subject of discrimination in many countries,

*Considering* that as a human being the unmarried mother is entitled to respect for her dignity and for her well-being and that of her child,

*Mindful* that there can be no satisfactory progress as regards the status of all women,

*Considering* that the integration of the unmarried mother and her child in society is a complex problem which calls for thorough study,

1. *Urges* the States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies that have not yet done so to take adequate measures of social assistance in favour of the unmarried mother and the child born out of wedlock;

2. *Invites* Member States, the specialized agencies and non-governmental organizations concerned to study the problems posed by the integration of the unmarried mother and her child in all spheres of society;

3. *Invites* Member States to elaborate for adolescents of both sexes educational programmes aimed at making them aware of their future family responsibilities;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to devote a part of the report on the implementation of the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women to the study of the problems posed by the integration of the unmarried mother and her child in all spheres of society on the basis of the information furnished by Member States and specialized agencies concerned.

## VI

### PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN EMERGENCY OR WARTIME, FIGHTING FOR PEACE, NATIONAL LIBERATION AND INDEPENDENCE

#### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* resolution 4 (XXII) adopted by the Commission on the Status of Women on protection of women and children in emergency or wartime, fighting for peace, national liberation and independence,

*Bearing in mind* resolutions I and XXIII adopted by the International Conference on Human Rights and the fact that the General Assembly has taken concrete steps towards the implementation of these resolutions,

*Noting* that the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of 12 August 1949 which provides for important safeguards for the protection of women and children, is not fully implemented in the course of armed conflicts and in occupied territories,

*Taking note* of the report of the Special Working Group of Experts established under resolution 6 (XXV) of the Commission on Human Rights,

*Fully convinced* that the protection of women and children during emergency and wartime is contemplated by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

*Noting* that the General Assembly, in its resolution 2597 (XXIV) of 16 December 1969, has requested the Secretary-General, in pursuance of his study on respect for human rights in armed conflicts, to give special attention to the need for better application of

existing humanitarian international conventions and rules to such conflicts,

*Having received* the Secretary-General's report on protection of women and children in emergency or wartime, fighting for peace, national liberation and independence, concerning the conditions of women and children in the occupied territories in the Middle East and the steps taken by the United Nations with respect to human rights in armed conflicts (E/CN.6/536),

1. *Renews its solemn appeal* to all women throughout the world to make every effort to contribute, in their families and in their communities, to the establishment of peace and justice and towards finding a just solution to armed conflicts;

2. *Calls upon* States to abide fully by their obligations under the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War of 12 August 1949 and other rules of international law concerning respect for human rights in armed conflicts;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To give particular attention, in pursuing his study on respect for human rights in armed conflicts, to the question of protection of women and children in emergency or wartime;

(b) To consider further measures of promoting throughout the world a wider knowledge of the plight of women and children victims of armed conflicts, and of the existing international rules which provide protection for women and children in armed conflicts;

(c) To submit to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-fourth session a report containing information available from the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, the United Nations Children's Fund and the International Committee of the Red Cross, as well as from any other appropriate United Nations bodies, on the conditions of women and children in emergency and armed conflicts in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence.

4. *Requests* the General Assembly to consider the possibility of drafting a declaration on the protection of women and children in emergency or wartime;

5. *Decides* to include the question of the protection of women and children in emergency and armed conflicts in the struggle for peace, self-determination, national liberation and independence in the agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women.

## VII

### INCREASED ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE STATUS OF WOMEN AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

#### *The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* the effectiveness of the work accomplished by various intergovernmental organizations in assisting in the implementation of resolutions and recommendations as adopted by the various organizations and specialized agencies of the United Nations,

*Recalling* the report of the Secretary-General recommending increased action at the regional level to implement more effectively the programmes of the Commission on the Status of Women (E/CN.6/532),

*Recalling* that, in resolution 1267 (XLIII) of 3 August 1967, the Council asked the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures to establish contact with non-United Nations intergovernmental organizations in

the social and economic fields for regional co-operation in development and in matters of common interest and invited its subsidiary bodies to make recommendations regarding the desirability of similar relationships between themselves and specific intergovernmental organizations active in fields of common concern to them,

*Noting* that the seminar held in Cairo in September 1969 on the establishment of regional commissions on human rights, with special reference to Africa, recommended that the United Nations and intergovernmental organizations assist in the establishment of regional commissions on human rights with special reference to Africa,

*Further noting* the services rendered by the Inter-American Commission on Women for the advancement of women at the regional level through seminars and training courses and through the dissemination of information concerning United Nations instruments for the advancement of women, particularly the Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women,

*Mindful* that compliance with all relevant United Nations instruments is essential for the full integration of women into society and for the satisfactory progress of all humanity,

*Mindful also* that there can be little real progress in improving the status of women without programmes that will implement the objectives of these instruments at the regional and national levels,

*Bearing in mind* that *de facto* compliance with United Nations instruments that assure equal participation of women in all aspects of the political, social and economic life of their country has not been fully achieved,

1. *Believes* that the Commission on the Status of Women would benefit greatly in its work by the establishment of regional intergovernmental commissions in parts of the world where they do not yet exist;

2. *Recommends* the establishment of regional intergovernmental commissions on the status of women in order to make more effective the resolutions and measures adopted in favour of women, and to promote their wider integration into the social, economic and cultural development and progress of their countries;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to assist in any way possible within the limits of the resources available to him to establish preparatory bodies which would consider the necessary steps that can be taken to establish regional commissions for the status of women in those areas where they do not yet exist;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite the regional economic commissions to take whatever action may be necessary to incorporate programmes that will increase the participation of women in their regional activities, to send observers on economic and social development to meetings of the Commission on the Status of Women and to include in their reports to the Council information on what has been done to integrate women in the economic and social development of their countries.

## VIII

INFLUENCE OF ACTIVITIES OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC AND OTHER INTERESTS ON THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF WOMEN IN DEPENDENT TERRITORIES

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* General Assembly resolutions 2189 (XXI) of 13 December 1966, 2288 (XXII) of 7 December 1967, 2425 (XXIII) of 18 December 1968 and 2554 (XXIV) of 12 December 1969, condemning the activities of foreign economic and other interests in dependent Territories which lead to the exploitation of colonial countries and peoples,

*Noting* that, in its resolution 2554 (XXIV), the General Assembly requested the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to continue its study of the problem of the activities of foreign economic and other interests which are impeding the implementation of the Declaration and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fifth session,

*Considering also* the request made by the Commission on the Status of Women in the operative paragraph of its resolution 3 (XXII) of 3 February 1969, requesting the Special Committee to devote a part of the report which it was to present to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session to the influence of activities of foreign economic and other interests on the living conditions of women in dependent Territories, in order that the study might be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-third session,

*Noting* that in paragraph 17 of its report<sup>1</sup> the Special Committee expressed its readiness to take appropriate action on that request in the light of any decision that might be taken in that regard by the General Assembly,

*Requests* the General Assembly to invite the Special Committee to study the question of the influence of activities of foreign economic and other interests on the living conditions of women in dependent Territories, in order that the study may be submitted to the Commission on the Status of Women at its twenty-fourth session.

## IX

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

*The Economic and Social Council*

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-third session (E/4831);

2. *Endorses* the programme of work contained in chapter VI of that report.

<sup>1</sup> A/7752. For the text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 23A (A/7623/Rev.1/Add.1)*.

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1694th meeting, on 28 May 1970, the Economic and Social Council adopted draft resolutions I to VI, VIII and IX submitted by the Social Committee (see E/4870, para. 9). Draft resolution I was adopted by 21 votes to none,

with 5 abstentions and draft resolution II, by 25 votes to none, with 1 abstention; draft resolutions III, IV and V were adopted unanimously; draft resolution VI was adopted by 22 votes to none, with 4 abstentions, draft resolution VIII, by 16 votes to none, with 9 abstentions and draft resolution IX was adopted unanimously. For the final texts, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1A*, resolutions 1510 (XLVIII), 1511 (XLVIII), 1512 (XLVIII), 1513 (XLVIII), 1514 (XLVIII), 1515 (XLVIII), 1516 (XLVIII) and 1517 (XLVIII).

At the same meeting, the Council decided to refer draft resolution VII entitled "Increased activities relating to the status of women at the regional level" back to the Commission on the Status of Women for more detailed consideration and to transmit the draft resolution to Governments represented on the Commission in order to ascertain their views on it.

The Council also decided to take no action on draft resolution VI submitted by the Commission on the Status of Women (see E/4831, chap. XIII) and it requested the Secretary-General to forward the draft resolution to Governments for their comments in order that the Commission might reconsider it in the light of the replies received from Governments.

### CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS

NOTE. This check list includes the documents mentioned during the consideration of agenda item 3 which are not reproduced in the present fascicle.

<i>Document No.</i>	<i>Title or description</i>	<i>Observations and references</i>
E/4831	Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its twenty-third session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 6</i>
E/4846/Add.3 and Corr.1	Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session	<i>Ibid., Supplement No. 9, chapter IV</i>
E/AC.7/SR.644 to 647	Records from 644th to 647th meetings of the Social Committee	Mimeographed
E/CN.6/532	Unified long-term programme for the advancement of women and United Nations assistance in this field: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/CN.5/536	Protection of women and children in emergency or wartime, fighting for peace, national liberation and independence: report by the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/CN.5/638 and Add.1	Study on equal access of girls and women to literacy: report prepared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	Ditto



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## DOCUMENT E/4865\*

## Report of the Social Committee

[Original text: English]  
[26 May 1970]

1. At its 629th to 631st meetings, held on 11 and 12 May 1970, and at its 647th meeting, held on 25 May 1970, under the chairmanship of Mr. Rachid Driss (Tunisia), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, the Social Committee considered item 5 of the agenda entitled "Report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning" which had been referred to it by the Council at its 1674th meeting, held on 11 May 1970 (see E/AC.7/SR.629-631 and 647).

2. The Committee had before it, for its consideration, the following documents: the report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its sixth session (E/4758 and Corr.1 and 2); the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session (E/4809, paragraphs 150-164); the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session regarding the work programme in the field of housing, building and planning (E/4846); and a report by the Secretary-General on the campaign to focus world-wide attention on housing (E/C.6/92 and Add.1).

3. The financial implications of the decisions taken by the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning during its sixth session were contained in annex IV of its report.

4. During the discussion of the item, the Committee had for consideration a draft resolution, submitted by Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia and Pakistan (E/AC.7/L.577).

5. At its 631st meeting, held on 12 May 1970, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided, without objection, to recommend that the Council adopt a draft resolution whereby it would take note of the agreement by the Commission for Social Development that, in the light of the present timing of the sessions of the Commission and of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, the Committee should report direct to the Council, while continuing to submit

its reports to the Commission for consideration. (For the text, see para. 10 below, draft resolution I.)

6. At the 647th meeting, the representative of India, also on behalf of Ceylon, Ghana, Indonesia, Pakistan, Norway and Yugoslavia, introduced the draft resolution contained in document E/AC.7/L.577. During his statement, he orally revised the draft as follows:

(a) He added a sixth preambular paragraph, reading as follows:

"Recalling further its resolution 1170 (XLI) on the financing of housing and community facilities";

(b) He replaced, in operative paragraph 2, the words "Endorses" by "Also notes with interest"; and added at the end of the paragraph the following phrase "concerning the level of posts and resources of the Centre for Housing, Building and Planning".

(c) He added in operative paragraph 3 after the words "Recognizes the urgent need" the following words "on a continuing basis within the framework of the Second United Nations Development Decade", and deleted the phrase "in order to facilitate the realization of the above objectives".

(d) He added a new operative paragraph which read as follows:

"5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to include *inter alia* in his report, to be submitted as early as possible to the Council through the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning, in accordance with Council resolution 1170 (XLI), his comments on the proposed new international institution to support domestic savings and credit facilities in housing and urban development."

(e) He revised the draft resolution recommended for adoption by the General Assembly by:

(i) the replacement, in operative paragraph 1, of the words "high priority" by "higher priority" and the insertion of the words "and policy measures" between "the basis of the objectives" and "set forth in the strategy";

\* Incorporating document E/4865/Corr.1.

- (ii) the revision of operative paragraph 3 (b) to read as follows: "The establishment of national and regional centres for studies and experiments in low-cost housing techniques and activity, including improvement in the use of local building materials and, as appropriate, use of new building materials."

7. At the 647th meeting, the Chairman, following a suggestion by the representative of Bulgaria, proposed that the Committee recommend to the Council that it defer until its fiftieth session consideration of the draft resolution. The Committee adopted this proposal by 11 votes to 9, with 5 abstentions.

8. At the same meeting, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided, without objection, to recommend that the Council adopt a draft resolution taking note of the report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning and approving its work programme contained in chapter IV of that report.

### Recommendation of the Social Committee

9. The Committee recommends to the Council that it defer to its fiftieth session consideration of draft resolution E/AC.7/L.577, as orally revised.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>A revised text of the draft resolution was distributed to members of the Council in document E/L.1323.

10. The Social Committee recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

#### I

#### METHOD OF REPORTING OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING

*The Economic and Social Council,*

Recalling its resolution 903 C (XXXIV) of 2 August 1962,

Takes note of the decision taken by the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-first session whereby, in view of the present timing of their respective sessions, the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning should report directly to the Council while continuing to submit its reports to the Commission for consideration.

#### II

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING

*The Economic and Social Council,*

1. Takes note of the report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its sixth session (E/4758 and Corr.1 and 2);

2. Endorses the programme of work contained in chapter IV of that report.

### ACTION TAKEN BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

At its 1693rd meeting, on 27 May 1970, the Economic and Social Council unanimously adopted the draft resolutions submitted by the Social Committee (see E/4865, para. 10). For the final texts, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1A*, resolutions 1497 (XLVIII) and 1498 (XLVIII).

At its 1694th meeting, on 28 May 1970, the Council adopted, by 21 votes to none, with 2 abstentions, draft resolution E/L.1323, as orally revised by the sponsors. For the final text, see *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Resumed Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 1A*, resolution 1507 (XLVIII).

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E/4758 and Corr.1 and 2	Report of the Committee on Housing, Building and Planning on its sixth session	<i>Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 2</i>
E/4809 and Corr.1-3	Report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-first session	<i>Ibid., Supplement No. 7</i>
E/4846	Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its fifth session	<i>Ibid., Supplement No. 9, chapter I</i>
E/AC.7/L.577	Ceylon, Ghana, India, Indonesia and Pakistan: draft resolution	Mimeographed
E/AC.7/SR.629 to 631 and 647	Records of the Social Committee from 629th to 631st and 647th meetings	Ditto
E/C.6/92 and Add.1	General activities of the Centre for Housing, Building and Planning—Campaign to focus world attention on housing: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
E/C.6/98	Housing—Financing of housing and community facilities: report of the Secretary-General	Ditto
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