

3. *Invites* Governments to provide additional support to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization by making available through voluntary contributions, in accordance with section II, paragraph 23, of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI), adequate resources for an expanded programme of field activities under flexible procedures;

4. *Requests* the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to accelerate the preparatory work within its competence for the next United Nations Development Decade and to co-operate actively in the concerted efforts being undertaken by the organizations in the United Nations system to elaborate the international development strategy for the 1970s;

5. *Endorses* Industrial Development Board resolution 11 (II) of 14 May 1968,¹⁵ in which the Board recommended the sum of \$1.5 million as the planning level of the regular programme of technical assistance for industrial development in 1969 and 1970;

6. *Considers* that the United Nations Industrial Development Organization should be entrusted with the responsibility of executing a larger number of projects related to industrial development under the two components of the United Nations Development Programme, taking into consideration the increasing flow of requests for such projects.

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2408 (XXIII). Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

The General Assembly

Takes note with satisfaction of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its fifth and sixth sessions.¹⁶

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2409 (XXIII). Promotion of follow-up investment

The General Assembly

Takes note of the measures taken by the United Nations Development Programme, in response to paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 2280 (XXII) of 4 December 1967, concerning the promotion of follow-up investment.¹⁷

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2410 (XXIII). United Nations Capital Development Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 2186 (XXI) of 13 December 1966 and 2321 (XXII) of 15 December 1967,

Taking note of the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its sixth session requesting the Administrator to continue his efforts to enable the United Nations Capital Development Fund to begin operations,¹⁸

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, annex VI.

¹⁶ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/4451) and Supplement No. 6A (E/4545).*

¹⁷ *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 6A (E/4545), paras. 197-223.

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, para. 267.

1. *Endorses* Economic and Social Council resolution 1350 (XLV) of 2 August 1968, in which the Council, *inter alia*, requested the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to identify specific projects in the programme of work of different organizations of the United Nations system which could benefit from investment within the scope of the existing resources of the United Nations Capital Development Fund;

2. *Further endorses* Trade and Development Board resolution 42 (VII) of 17 September 1968,¹⁹ in which the Board, *inter alia*, stressed the urgent need to begin operations of the United Nations Capital Development Fund as an important instrument within the United Nations system for aiding and accelerating the economic development of the developing countries, especially in the field of their investment activity;

3. *Decides* to continue the provisional arrangements, set forth in paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 2321 (XXII), for the implementation of its resolution 2186 (XXI);

4. *Further decides* to review at its twenty-fourth session the institutional arrangements for the United Nations Capital Development Fund.

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2411 (XXIII). International development strategy

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2218 B (XXI) of 19 December 1966, which envisaged the elaboration of an international development strategy for the 1970s,

Recalling further its resolution 2305 (XXII) of 13 December 1967, in which it decided to consider at its twenty-third session the appropriate procedures to be followed for proclaiming the 1970s the Second United Nations Development Decade and for approving a programme of action within the framework of an international development strategy for that Decade,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1356 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 on the United Nations Development Decade,

Taking note of Trade and Development Board resolution 47 (VII) of 21 September 1968,²⁰ in which the Board, *inter alia*, reaffirmed the important role that the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development had to play within its competence in the combination of efforts within the United Nations family for the preparation of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

Recognizing that the formulation of an international development strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade calls for a major co-operative effort and co-ordinated action on the part of the United Nations system of organizations under intergovernmental guidance,

Noting with satisfaction the preparatory work undertaken by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Committee for Development Planning and the organizations in the United Nations system, in pursuance of General Assembly resolutions 2218 B (XXI) and 2305 (XXII),

¹⁹ See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-third Session, Supplement No. 14 (A/7214)*, part II, annex I.

²⁰ *Ibid.*

Recognizing that the primary responsibility for the economic development of developing countries rests on them and also that a fuller mobilization and more effective utilization of the domestic resources of these countries is possible only with concomitant and effective international action,

Recognizing further that the hope and confidence with which the task of the Second United Nations Development Decade can be approached will depend to a considerable extent on the achievements during the transitional period before the commencement of the Decade,

1. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council to enlarge its Economic Committee by twenty-seven States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency to be designated annually, until the preparatory work has been completed, by the President of the General Assembly, keeping in view the composition of the Economic and Social Council, equitable geographical distribution and the need to ensure the maximum degree of continuity;

2. *Decides* that the enlarged Economic Committee shall be the Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Development Decade and to this end shall be responsible to the General Assembly and shall report to it, through the Economic and Social Council, in conformity with the Council's responsibilities for co-ordination under the Charter of the United Nations;

3. *Instructs* the Preparatory Committee:

(a) To prepare, on the basis of the relevant studies, conclusions and proposals formulated—within their respective fields of competence—by the bodies and organizations in the United Nations system and taking into account the comments made by Governments of Member States, a draft of an international development strategy for the 1970s, which would enunciate, within a comprehensive, coherent and integrated framework, the goals and objectives, both general and sectoral, as well as concerted policy measures at the national, regional and international levels, to realize these goals and objectives;

(b) To make suggestions on an evaluation and implementation mechanism for the Second United Nations Development Decade;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in order to assist the Preparatory Committee in the fulfilment of its task, to utilize the expertise available in, and the preparatory work already accomplished by, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to convene the meetings of the Committee for Development Planning as often as necessary to expedite the work of the Preparatory Committee and to submit such views and contributions as he may deem appropriate;

5. *Requests* the Trade and Development Board to continue its efforts to reach the maximum degree of agreement on issues which were remitted to it by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its second session and which are of basic importance for the elaboration of the international development strategy for the 1970s;

6. *Requests* the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and other organizations in the United Nations system to accelerate their preparatory

work for the Second United Nations Development Decade and bring their sectoral plans into phase with the Decade;

7. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to assist the Preparatory Committee in the performance of its task, as appropriate;

8. *Requests* the Preparatory Committee to establish its programme of work and calendar of meetings in such a manner as to be able to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its forty-seventh session, a preliminary draft of an international development strategy, as envisaged in paragraph 3 (a) above, with a view to finalizing the draft early in 1970;

9. *Further requests* the Preparatory Committee to communicate its programme of work and calendar of meetings to Governments and all concerned organizations in the United Nations system to facilitate their contribution, in time, to the formulation of an international development strategy;

10. *Decides* that the meetings of the Preparatory Committee shall be held, as appropriate, in New York and Geneva;

11. *Stresses* the need for developing countries to intensify their efforts to accelerate their economic and social development and the need for the developed countries to supplement their efforts by concomitant measures aimed at realizing the development objective common to the world community as a whole;

12. *Invites* Governments of Member States to contribute effectively, through appropriate national and international bodies, to the preparatory work for the Second United Nations Development Decade and to communicate to the Secretary-General, for submission to the Preparatory Committee, any views they may have on the formulation of the preliminary draft of an international development strategy;

13. *Endorses* Economic and Social Council resolution 1357 (XLV) of 2 August 1968 on the mobilization of public opinion in developed and developing countries regarding the Second United Nations Development Decade;

14. *Welcomes* the contributions which the various intergovernmental organizations not within the United Nations system can bring to the preparation of the Second United Nations Development Decade.

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The Economic Committee, which is referred to in paragraph 1 of the above resolution, consists of the full membership of the Economic and Social Council for 1969: ARGENTINA, BELGIUM, BULGARIA,²¹ CHAD, CONGO (BRAZZAVILLE), FRANCE, GUATEMALA, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRELAND, JAMAICA, JAPAN, KUWAIT, LIBYA, MEXICO, NORWAY, PAKISTAN, SIERRA LEONE, SUDAN, TURKEY, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS,²² UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN and NORTHERN IRELAND, UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, UPPER VOLTA, URUGUAY and YUGOSLAVIA.

The President of the General Assembly, in pursuance of paragraph 1 of the above resolution and taking into account Economic and Social Council resolution 1388 (XLV) of 19 December 1958, designated the following additional States:²³

²¹ *Ibid.*, Twenty-third Session, Annexes, agenda item 37, document A/7491.

²² *Ibid.*, document A/7490.

²³ *Ibid.*, documents A/7269 and Add.1 and 2.

ALGERIA, BRAZIL, BURUNDI, BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC,²⁴ CAMEROON, CANADA, CEYLON, COLOMBIA, COSTA RICA, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, IRAN, ITALY, LEBANON, MAURITIUS, NETHERLANDS, NIGERIA, PANAMA, PHILIPPINES, POLAND,²⁵ ROMANIA, SPAIN, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, THAILAND, TUNISIA, UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC and VENEZUELA.

2412 (XXIII). International Education Year

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2306 (XXII) of 13 December 1967, by which it decided to observe an International Education Year and provisionally designated the year 1970 for this purpose,

Noting with satisfaction Economic and Social Council resolution 1355 (XLV) of 2 August 1968, particularly the invitation to all the United Nations agencies, bodies and organs to participate in the preparation of programmes of concerted action within the context of an over-all strategy for development during the next decade and in close co-operation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Noting with appreciation that consultations between the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the interested specialized agencies have taken place and that the International Education Year was reviewed at a meeting of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination in October 1968,

Noting with appreciation the resolution on the International Education Year adopted on 19 November 1968 by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization at its fifteenth session, and in particular the fact that the organization would assume primary responsibility for the preparation and execution of an international concerted programme,

Recognizing that education in a broad sense is an indispensable factor in the development of human resources which is essential to ensure the attainment of the goals of the Second United Nations Development Decade,

1. *Decides* to designate 1970 as International Education Year;
2. *Endorses* the programme of action for the International Education Year set out in the resolution adopted by the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and described in the reports submitted by the Secretary-General to the Economic and Social Council²⁶ and the General Assembly;²⁷
3. *Recommends* States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency to take stock of the situation with respect to education and training in their countries and to plan and initiate or stimulate action and studies linked to the objectives and themes of the International Education Year in the context of their preparation for the Second United Nations Development Decade;
4. *Requests* the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the organizations of the United Nations system concerned to provide within

available resources all possible assistance to Governments, especially those of the developing countries, in their efforts to pursue the objectives formulated by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization for the International Education Year;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, with the assistance of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session, through the Economic and Social Council at its forty-seventh session, on the progress achieved by the organizations of the United Nations family in the preparations for the International Education Year.

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2413 (XXIII). Exploitation and conservation of living marine resources

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2172 (XXI) of 6 December 1966 requesting the Secretary-General to prepare proposals for ensuring the most effective arrangements for an expanded programme of international co-operation to assist in a better understanding of the marine environment through science, and for the development of marine resources, with due regard for the conservation of fish stocks,

Having considered the report entitled "Resources of the sea beyond the continental shelf"²⁸ prepared by the Secretary-General under Economic and Social Council resolution 1112 (XL) of 7 March 1966 and the report entitled "Marine science and technology: survey and proposals"²⁹ prepared by the Secretary-General under General Assembly resolution 2172 (XXI),

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1381 (XLV) of 2 August 1968,

Taking into account the valuable and extensive work accomplished and being carried out in this field by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and its Committee on Fisheries, and by other specialized agencies and intergovernmental organizations concerned, striving towards an increase in the world's food production,

Deeply concerned that a large proportion of the world's population continues to suffer from malnutrition and notably from lack of protein,

Mindful of the importance of the living resources of the sea as one of mankind's most important food resources,

Realizing the increasing importance of maximizing the sustainable yield of living marine resources through conservation and rational development,

Aware of the grave danger of the over-exploitation and depletion of these resources, to which the rapid progress in fisheries technology is contributing,

1. *Invites* Governments of Member States to increase international co-operation in the field of development and exploitation of living marine resources outside the limits of national jurisdiction, having regard to the special needs and interests of the developing countries and with particular emphasis on the need for rational exploitation and conservation of fish stocks, taking into account the valuable work of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and

²⁴ *Ibid.*, document A/7492.

²⁵ *Ibid.*, document A/7493.

²⁶ E/4518.

²⁷ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-third Session, Annexes*, agenda item 38, documents A/7239 and Add.1.

²⁸ E/4449 and Add.1 and 2.

²⁹ E/4487 and Corr.1-6 and Add.1.