

1. *Welcomes* Economic and Social Council resolution 1068 E (XXXIX) of 16 July 1965, in which the Council recommended to Member States, and especially to those making use of technical assistance, that they give greater priority to projects and programmes directed towards the advancement of women, and invites the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the executive heads of the specialized agencies to encourage the participation of women in projects submitted by Member States;

2. *Welcomes* Economic and Social Council resolution 1068 C (XXXIX) of 16 July 1965, in which the Council emphasized the importance of training appropriate cadres, especially in the developing countries, in order to enable women to participate fully in the economic, social, cultural and political life of their respective countries;

3. *Welcomes* the support given by the Economic and Social Council to the other recommendations made by the Commission on the Status of Women at its eighteenth session;

4. *Invites* the specialized agencies and the international non-governmental organizations to continue their efforts for the improvement of the status of women;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to study especially the possibility of expanding the assistance which can be rendered for the advancement of women in developing countries;

6. *Invites* the Secretary-General to co-operate with the Commission on the Status of Women to these ends;

7. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to keep the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly informed on developments in this respect, especially with regard to the possibility of establishing a unified, long-term United Nations programme for the advancement of women;

8. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Government of Iran for its generous invitation, which enabled the Commission on the Status of Women to hold its eighteenth session at Teheran in conditions that were particularly favourable for its work.

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16 December 1965.*

## **2060 (XX). Advisory services in the field of human rights**

*The General Assembly,*

*Noting* that proposals have been made to hold an international seminar on *apartheid* in 1966,

*Recalling* that these proposals were brought to the attention of the Economic and Social Council at its thirty-ninth session,<sup>20</sup>

*Requests* the Secretary-General to organize in 1966, in consultation with the Special Committee on the Policies of *apartheid* of the Government of the Republic of South Africa and the Commission on Human Rights, an international seminar on *apartheid* and authorizes him to use such funds as may be necessary for the purpose, making appropriate readjustments within the budgetary allocations approved for section 14 (Human rights advisory services), part V (Technical programmes), of the United Nations budget.

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<sup>20</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/6003)*, para. 549.

## **2061 (XX). Freedom of information**

*The General Assembly,*

*Noting* that the heavy agenda of the Third Committee at the twentieth session has not allowed the Committee to consider either the draft Convention on Freedom of Information or the draft Declaration on Freedom of Information which was submitted to it by the Economic and Social Council,

*Reiterating* that freedom of information forms an important part of the human rights and fundamental freedoms, to the promotion of which the United Nations is dedicated,

*Decides* to devote, at its twenty-first session, as much time as it deems necessary to the consideration of the item on freedom of information.

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16 December 1965.*

## **2062 (XX). Creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

*The General Assembly,*

*Considering* that the agenda of its twentieth session included the item entitled "Creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights",

*Considering* that owing to other priorities the proposal relating to this question could not be considered,

*Convinced* that it would be useful to obtain the opinion of the most appropriate United Nations organ to deal with the matter,

1. *Requests* the Economic and Social Council to transmit to the Commission on Human Rights the proposal for the creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, for study of all aspects of the matter and for report, through the Council, to the General Assembly at its twenty-first session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide all pertinent documents concerning that proposal to the Commission on Human Rights.

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16 December 1965.*

## **2080 (XX). Draft International Covenants on Human Rights**

*The General Assembly,*

*Considering* that the Third Committee, owing to its heavy agenda, has not been able to consider the draft International Covenants on Human Rights at the present session,

*Noting* Economic and Social Council resolution 1075 (XXXIX) of 28 July 1965 on organizational and procedural arrangements for the implementation of conventions and recommendations in the field of human rights,

1. *Decides* to defer to its twenty-first session the further consideration of the draft International Covenants on Human Rights;

2. *Invites* Governments of Member States to consider the measures of implementation and the final clauses of the draft International Covenants on Human Rights prepared by the Commission on Human Rights, the explanatory paper prepared by the Secretary-