

Noting the value of these reports as a useful reference for all countries,

Accepting the principle that economic and social matters are basically interrelated and cannot be fully considered independently from one another,

Recognizing, however, that there are special social and economic subjects requiring separate study and consideration,

1. Requests that the Secretary-General consider ways by which an appropriate relationship may be established between the world social situation reports and the world economic surveys and report to the thirty-third session of the Economic and Social Council on action he has taken to achieve this objective;

2. Believes it desirable that the Council, at its thirty-third session, give consideration to having a combined plenary debate on world economic trends and the world social situation at its thirty-fourth session.

1179th plenary meeting,
2 August 1961.

L

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL COMMISSION

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Social Commission (thirteenth session)⁴⁴ and endorses the work programme and priorities contained therein.

1179th plenary meeting,
2 August 1961.

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (sixteenth session).⁴⁵

1180th plenary meeting,
3 August 1961.

⁴⁴ Ibid., Supplement No. 12 (E/3489).

⁴⁵ Ibid., Supplement No. 9 (E/3512).

B

THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

The Economic and Social Council,

Noting with satisfaction that the Plenipotentiary Conference for the Adoption of a Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, called under the terms of Council resolution 689 J (XXVI) of 28 July 1958, has adopted such a treaty,⁴⁶

Considering that this Convention when in force will in particular codify the multilateral treaty law in this field and simplify the international control machinery,

Desirous that the international society of States should benefit from these new provisions as soon as may be possible,

Desirous also that the transitional period of simultaneous existence of the old and new treaty system should be shortened to the greatest possible extent,

Noting that under the terms of the new Convention the ratification and accession of forty States will be necessary for its coming into force,

Invites all Members of the United Nations and all non-member States which are Parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice or members of a specialized agency, to study, as expeditiously as possible, the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, opened for signature at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 30 March 1961, with a view to signing and ratifying, or acceding to, the Convention.

1180th plenary meeting,
3 August 1961.

C

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT CENTRAL OPIUM BOARD

The Economic and Social Council

Takes note of the report of the Permanent Central Opium Board on its activities in 1960.⁴⁷

1180th plenary meeting,
3 August 1961.

⁴⁶ E/CONF.34/22.

⁴⁷ E/OB/16 and E/OB/16/Addendum (United Nations publications, Sales No.: 60.XI.3 and 60.XI.3 Addendum).