



Nineteenth session

CONVERSION TO PEACEFUL NEEDS OF THE
RESOURCES RELEASED BY DISARMAMENT*

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In resolution 1931 (XVIII) of 11 December 1963, the General Assembly requested the Economic and Social Council to consider all pertinent aspects of the question of the conversion of the resources released by disarmament to peaceful uses, including the possibility of establishing an ad hoc group for the purpose of accelerating activities in this field of study. It also endorsed the intentions and plans of the Secretary-General set forth in his work programme and requested him to present a further report on this matter at the nineteenth session.
2. The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development adopted the recommendation entitled "Elaboration of trade aspects of the economic programme of disarmament" (annex A.VI.10 to the Final Act) in which it deemed it necessary that due attention be paid to the trade aspects of this programme.
3. On 11 August 1964, the Economic and Social Council adopted resolution 1026 (XXXVII), in which it, inter alia, expressed its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his report on this matter and to Governments for furnishing the information requested of them, stated that the activities of the United Nations family should be continued and accelerated as much as possible, welcomed the arrangements that had been recently made to co-ordinate these activities and recognized that at a later time the establishment of the new ad hoc group referred to in General Assembly resolution 1931 (XVIII) might be advantageous. The text of the Secretary-General's report has been issued as document E/3398/Rev.1.

* Item 38 of the provisional agenda.

An account of the discussion in the Council will be found in chapter II of the Council's annual report.^{1/}

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Nineteenth Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/5803).