

Republics, Sweden (on behalf also of Finland and Iceland), the German Democratic Republic, Japan and Nigeria made statements after the draft decision was adopted (see E/1985/SR.22).

#### CONSIDERATION AT THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF 1985

98. The Council considered the question of transnational corporations at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 9). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 21st, 23rd, 26th, 28th and 29th meetings, on 15, 16, 18, 24 and 25 July 1985. The Council had before it the reports of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its eleventh session 9/ and on its reconvened special session (E/1985/109).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

99. At its 21st and 23rd meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

100. At its 21st meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the German Democratic Republic, Indonesia, Yugoslavia and Mexico, and the observers for Norway (on behalf also of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Sweden), Czechoslovakia and Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77). The observer for the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category I, with the Council, also made a statement.

101. At the 23rd meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, Suriname, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), the Federal Republic of Germany, Bulgaria, Canada, Nigeria, China, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, France, Venezuela, Thailand, Japan, Uganda and Poland and the observer for the Republic of Korea.

#### Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its eleventh session

102. Chapter I of the report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its eleventh session contained two draft resolutions and a draft decision recommends for adoption by the Council.

103. The Committee held informal consultations on all the recommendations contained in the report of the Commission under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Pekka Juhani Huhtaniemi (Finland). At the 28th meeting, the

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9/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 8 (E/1985/28).

Vice-Chairman made a statement in which he informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

104. At its 28th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution I, entitled "Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 41, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 136 below.

Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia and their collaboration with the racist minority régime of South Africa

105. At its 28th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution II, entitled "Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia and their collaboration with the racist minority régime of South Africa".

106. At the same meeting, following statements by the representatives of the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany, the Committee adopted operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution by 28 votes to 5, with 8 abstentions.

107. The Committee then adopted operative paragraph 6 of the draft resolution by 28 votes to 3, with 10 abstentions.

108. The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as a whole, by 34 votes to 2, with 8 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 41, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 137-141 below.

Provisional agenda and documentation for the twelfth session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations

109. At its 28th meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision II, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the twelfth session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 42, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 143 below.

Other draft proposals

Work of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations

110. At the 26th meeting, the representative of Luxembourg, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Transnational corporations" (E/1985/C.1/L.14), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Bearing in mind decision II adopted by the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its eleventh session, 10/

"Also bearing in mind Council resolution 1913 (LVII) of 5 December 1974,

"Taking into account the fact that State-owned enterprises from all groups of countries currently conduct significant operations in many developing countries,

"Considering that, in this context, ownership should not be a determining criterion in defining the areas of activity of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations,

"Noting the statement made by the Executive Director of the Centre at the twenty-fifth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination concerning the current methods of work of the Centre, 11/

"Requests the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations to take the foregoing fully into account in carrying out its future work."

111. Also at the 26th meeting, the representative of the United States of America introduced a draft resolution entitled "Programme of work of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations" (E/1985/C.1/L.15), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Bearing in mind decision II adopted by the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its eleventh session, 10/

"Also bearing in mind Council resolution 1913 (LVII) of 5 December 1974,

"Noting the statement made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations at the twenty-fifth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination concerning the current methods of work of the Centre, 11/

"1. Requests the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations, in carrying out its present and future work, to take fully into account the fact that State-owned enterprises from all groups of countries currently conduct operations in many developing countries, and to ensure that ownership and country of origin shall not be determining criteria in defining the appropriate areas for study by the Centre;

"2. Requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations to report to the Commission on Transnational Corporations at its twelfth session on the implementation of the present resolution."

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10/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 8 (E/1985/28), chap. I, sect. C.

11/ E/1985/L.39, chap. II, sect. 9.

112. A statement was made by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

113. At the 28th meeting, the observer for Egypt, 5/ on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77, introduced a draft decision entitled "Work of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations" (E/1985/C.1/L.20).

114. Following a procedural debate in which the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Brazil, Algeria and the United States of America and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77) participated, the Committee agreed on the admissibility of the draft decision by 27 votes to 13, with 1 abstention.

115. The observer for Egypt moved that draft decision E/1985/C.1/L.20 should be considered before other draft proposals. Statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America and Colombia. The representative of the United States moved that no action be taken on draft decision E/1985/C.1/L.20. The motion of the representative of the United States was rejected by 13 votes to 27.

116. The Committee decided, by 30 votes to 13, with 2 abstentions, to grant priority consideration to draft decision E/1985/C.1/L.20.

117. The representative of Luxembourg, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community, proposed that the draft decision should be amended to read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council, bearing in mind its resolution 1913 (LVII) of 5 December 1974, General Assembly decision 39/443 of 18 December 1984 and the statement made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations at the twenty-fifth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination concerning current methods of work of the Centre, bearing in mind the fact that State-owned enterprises from all groups of countries currently conduct transnational operations in many countries, and recognizing the importance of an early and successful completion of the code of conduct on transnational corporations in a spirit of co-operation and understanding, decides that the issues raised above should be taken fully into account by the Centre in carrying out its future work."

118. The observer for Egypt moved that no action be taken on the proposed amendment. The motion was carried by a roll-call vote of 29 to 13, with 1 abstention. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Suriname, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Turkey.

119. The representative of the United States of America indicated that he wished to propose amendments to the draft decision. The observer for Egypt, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77, moved the closure of the debate.

120. A motion by the representative of Canada to adjourn the meeting was rejected by 13 votes to 28.

121. The representative of the United States of America and the observer for Belgium made statements opposing the motion to close the debate. The motion was carried by a roll-call vote of 27 to 14, with 1 abstention. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Suriname, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: India.

122. Statements were made by the representatives of India, Zimbabwe, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Venezuela, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United States of America and Senegal, and the observer for Egypt.

123. At its 28th meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision E/1985/C.1/L.20, by a roll-call vote of 29 to 7, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 42, draft decision IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 147 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, Finland, Iceland, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, United States of America.

Abstaining: None.

124. Statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Spain, Brazil and the United States of America and the observer for Egypt.

125. At the 29th meeting, the Chairman made a statement concerning draft resolutions E/1985/C.1/L.14 and L.15.

126. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America.

127. On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, by 22 votes to 13, with 2 abstentions, not to take action on the draft resolutions.

128. Statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Brazil and Bulgaria (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic), and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77).

Reconvened special session of the Commission on  
Transnational Corporations

129. At the 26th meeting, the representative of the Federal Republic of Germany, on behalf of Bulgaria, France, the German Democratic Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, Indonesia, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway <sup>5/</sup> and Venezuela, introduced a draft decision entitled "Reconvened special session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations" (E/1985/C.1/L.17). Subsequently, Poland joined in sponsoring the draft decision.

130. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the draft decision, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.21).

131. At the 29th meeting, the representatives of the Federal Republic of Germany and France made statements in which they withdrew as sponsors of the draft decision.

132. The representative of the United States of America also made a statement.

133. Following a statement by the representative of the Budget Division, the Committee adopted the draft decision and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 42, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 144 below.

Report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations  
on its eleventh session

134. At its 29th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the

Commission on Transnational Corporations on its eleventh session, 9/ and submitted its recommendation to the Council (E/1985/146, para. 42, draft decision III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 146 below.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

135. At its 52nd meeting, on 26 July, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/146, paras. 41 and 42).

136. Draft resolution I, entitled "Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/71.

137. The Council held separate votes on operative paragraphs 3 and 6 of draft resolution II, entitled "Activities of transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia and their collaboration with the racist minority régime of South Africa".

138. Operative paragraph 3 was adopted by a roll-call vote of 32 to 5, with 9 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Botswana, Canada, Finland, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Sweden.

139. The representative of Zimbabwe made a statement before the paragraph was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

140. Operative paragraph 6 was adopted by 32 votes to 3, with 10 abstentions.

141. Draft resolution II, as a whole, was adopted by 35 votes to 2, with 8 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/72.

142. The representatives of Sweden (on behalf also of Finland and Iceland), Luxembourg (on behalf also of France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Spain made statements after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

143. Draft decision I, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the twelfth session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/192.

144. Draft decision II, entitled "Reconvened special session of the Commission on Transnational Corporations", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/193.

145. The representative of Bangladesh made a statement before the draft decision was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

146. Draft decision III, entitled "Report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its eleventh session", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/194.

147. Draft decision IV, entitled "Work of the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 33 to 7. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/195. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, Finland, Iceland, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, United States of America.

Abstaining: None.

148. The representatives of the United States of America, the German Democratic Republic, Venezuela, Bulgaria, Luxembourg (on behalf also of France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Spain and Canada, and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77) made statements before the draft decision was adopted; the representatives of Nigeria and Bulgaria (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic, Poland and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) made statements after it was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

#### G. Regional co-operation

149. The Council considered the question of regional co-operation at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 8). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 13th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 27th and 28th meetings, on 9, 10, 12, 23 and 24 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Report on the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific" (A/40/295-E/1985/72) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/40/295-E/1985/72/Add.1);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa (A/40/409-E/1985/107);



(c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Contribution of the United Nations system to conservation and management of cultural and natural heritage in Asia and the Pacific" (E/1984/52) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (E/1984/52/Add.1);

(d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "United Nations technical co-operation in Central America and the Caribbean", vol. I., "Central America" (E/1985/3) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (E/1985/3/Add.1);

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation (E/1985/106);

(f) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the interim report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/1985/108);

(g) Letter dated 22 July 1985 from the head of the delegation of Cameroon addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/155).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

150. At its 13th, 15th and 16th meetings, on 9 and 10 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 13th meeting, on 9 July, it heard an introductory statement by the Acting Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa.

151. Also at the 13th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf also of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Indonesia, Bangladesh, Luxembourg (on behalf also of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Yugoslavia, Morocco, China and Algeria.

152. At the 15th meeting, on 10 July, statements were made by the representatives of France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Japan, Sri Lanka, Spain, India, Bulgaria, the German Democratic Republic, Algeria and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the observers for Australia and Austria.

153. At the 16th meeting, on 10 July, statements were made by the representatives of Poland, Canada and Japan and the observer for Greece. Statements were also made by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the Acting Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa and the representative of the Economic Commission for Europe.

#### Recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation

154. Chapter I of the report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation (E/1985/106) contained 12 recommendations for action by the Council.

155. The Committee held informal consultations on all the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chairman

of the Committee, Mr. Pekka Juhani Huhtaniemi (Finland). At the 27th meeting, on 23 July, the Vice-Chairman made a statement in which he informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations.

Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: membership of Brunei Darussalam and Tuvalu

156. At its 27th meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (see E/1985/106, para. 4) and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 224 below.

Venue of the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

157. At the 27th meeting, the representative of Ecuador orally proposed a draft decision approving the decision of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to hold its twenty-first session at Mexico City early in 1986 (see E/1985/106, paras. 5-8).

158. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the proposal, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.8).

159. Following a statement by the representative of the United States of America, the Committee adopted the draft decision by 32 votes to 8, with 5 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 51, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 239 below.

Venue of the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Africa and 12th meeting of the Conference of Ministers of the Commission

160. At the 27th meeting, the Chairman of the Committee orally proposed a draft decision by which the Council would approve the holding at Yaoundé of the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Africa and 12th meeting of the Conference of Ministers (see E/1985/106, para. 9).

161. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the proposal, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.8).

162. At the same meeting, the Committee was informed that, in view of the offer of the Government of Cameroon to bear the additional cost of holding the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Africa and 12th meeting of the Conference of Ministers away from the Commission's headquarters (see E/1985/155), the programme budget implications set out in document E/1985/C.1/L.8 did not apply.

163. The Committee then adopted the draft decision and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 51, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 241 below.

## Industrial Development Decade for Africa

164. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution A recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Industrial Development Decade for Africa" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

165. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to amend the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 2, the word "Welcomes" was replaced by the words "Takes note of";

(b) In operative paragraph 3, the words "to the Economic Commission for Africa" were inserted after the word "allocation" and the words "on a permanent annual basis" were replaced by the words "to be absorbed from the \$5 million already approved - in Assembly resolution 39/233 - in the regular budget for the biennium 1986-1987".

166. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 225 below.

## African Institute for Economic Development and Planning

167. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution C recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "African Institute for Economic Development and Planning" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

168. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.11).

169. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to replace the word "seven" by the word "four" in operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution.

170. The representative of the Budget Division made a statement in which he orally revised the programme budget implications in the light of the amendment to operative paragraph 2. The revised programme budget implications were subsequently circulated in document E/1985/C.1/L.11/Rev.1.

171. The representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland requested a separate vote on operative paragraph 2, as amended.

172. Following statements by the representatives of Japan and Algeria, the Committee adopted operative paragraph 2, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 27 to 7, with 10 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Canada, Finland, France, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden.

173. Following statements by the representatives of the United States of America and Algeria, the Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 28 to 5, with 12 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 227 and 228 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

Abstaining: Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Measures to ensure the effective and accelerated implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action in the African least developed countries during the second half of the 1980s

174. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution D recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Measures to ensure the effective and accelerated implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action in the African least developed countries during the second half of the 1980s" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

175. At the same meeting, the Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

176. Also at the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to amend the draft resolution as follows:

(a) The words "in many countries" were added at the end of the third preambular paragraph;

(b) In the sixth preambular paragraph, the word "African" was deleted before the words "least developed countries", the words "twenty-six of which are located in Africa" were inserted after the words "least developed countries", the word "disappointing" was replaced by the word "negative" and the words "the resolution concerning the implementation of" were inserted after the words "negotiations on";

(c) After the sixth preambular paragraph, a new preambular paragraph was inserted reading as follows:

"Recognizing that primary responsibility for their development rests with the least developed countries themselves";

(d) In operative paragraph 2, the word "developed" was replaced by the word "all" and the words "developing countries in a position to do so" were deleted before the words "multilateral financing institutions";

(e) Operative paragraph 4, which read:

"4. Urges donor countries within the overall context of the Substantial New Programme of Action and of progress towards the 0.7 per cent, to attain the 0.15 per cent of their gross national product as official development assistance or to double that assistance to the least developed countries during the remaining years of the 1980s",

was replaced by the following text:

"4. Urges:

"(a) The developed countries to reaffirm the commitments they undertook under the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade with respect to the target of 0.7 per cent of gross national product as official development assistance and to the achievement of that goal by 1985, and in any case not later than in the second half of the Decade;

"(b) Donor countries, within the overall context of the Substantial New Programme of Action for the 1980s for the Least Developed Countries, as adopted, and of progress towards the 0.7 per cent target, to attain 0.15 per cent of their gross national product as official development assistance or to double their official development assistance to the least developed countries by 1985 or as soon as possible thereafter";

(f) In operative paragraph 5, the word "increase" was replaced by the words "consider increasing".

177. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 229 below.

Developmental social welfare policies and programmes on  
the situation of African migrant workers

178. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution E recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Developmental social welfare policies and programmes on the situation of African migrant workers" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

179. At the same meeting, the Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

180. Also at the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to replace the word "Urges" by the word "Recommends" in operative paragraph 4, and to add the words "as submitted in section 13 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987" at the end of the paragraph.

181. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 23 below.

Transport and Communications Decade in Africa

182. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution F recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Transport and Communications Decade in Africa" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

183. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.9).

184. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to delete the words "with appreciation" after the word "Noting" in the fourth preambular paragraph of the draft resolution.

185. The Committee was also informed that, in operative paragraph 4 (a), it had been agreed to replace the words "at least two co-financing meetings a year" by the words "a co-financing meeting each year".

186. The representative of the Budget Division made a statement in which he orally revised the programme budget implications in the light of the amendment to operative paragraph 4 (a). The revised programme budget implications were subsequently circulated in document E/1985/C.1/L.9/Rev.1.

187. The representative of the Federal Republic of Germany requested a separate vote covering three paragraphs, namely, operative paragraph 3, operative paragraph 4, as amended, and operative paragraph 5.

188. Following a statement by the representative of Algeria, the Committee adopted the three paragraphs - operative paragraph 3, operative paragraph 4, as amended, and operative paragraph 5 - by a roll-call vote of 27 to 4, with 13 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Germany, Federal Republic of, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Bulgaria, Canada, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Spain, Sweden.

189. At the same meeting, following statements by the representatives of the United States of America and Algeria, the Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 27 to 1, with 16 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution VI). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 232 and 234 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: Bulgaria, Canada, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

#### Appointment of directors of Multinational Programming and Operational Centres

190. At its 27th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution G recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Appointment of directors of Multinational Programming and Operational Centres" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

191. At the same meeting, the Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

192. Also at the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to amend the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In the second preambular paragraph, the words "at the highest level" were deleted after the words "appropriately staffed";

(b) In the third preambular paragraph, the words "to procure the services of persons possessing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity

and" were inserted after the words "Aware of the need" and the words "as much as possible" were deleted after the word "observe";

(c) In operative paragraph 2, the words "Whenever appropriate" were inserted before the word "nationals" and the words "in accordance with the practice followed in the Economic Commission for Africa" were added at the end of the paragraph.

193. A statement was made by the representative of the United States of America.

194. Following a statement by the observer for Egypt, it was agreed that the words "at the highest level" in the second preambular paragraph should be retained.

195. The representative of Luxembourg requested a separate vote on operative paragraph 2, as amended.

196. Following a statement by the representative of Algeria, the Committee adopted operative paragraph 2, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 31 to 10, with 3 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Finland, Iceland, Sweden.

197. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 34 to 1, with 9 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145, para. 50, draft resolution VII). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 236 and 237 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: Canada, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.



## Women and development in Africa

198. At its 27th and 28th meetings, on 23 and 24 July, the Committee considered draft resolution B recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Women and development in Africa" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

199. At the 27th meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to amend the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In the third preambular paragraph, the word "the" was inserted before the words "forms of injustice" and the word "atrocities" was replaced by the words "violent oppression";

(b) In operative paragraph 1, the words "in accordance with the Arusha Strategies" were replaced by the words "taking into account, in particular, the Arusha Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of African Women beyond the United Nations Decade for Women";

(c) In operative paragraph 3, the words "through the redeployment of vacant posts and in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987" were inserted after the words "Multinational Programming and Operational Centres".

200. At the same meeting, a statement was made by the representative of Zimbabwe.

201. Also at the same meeting, the Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

202. At the 28th meeting, the representative of Zimbabwe made a statement in which he proposed that the third preambular paragraph, as amended, should be further amended by replacing the words "still victims of all the forms of injustice and violent oppression perpetrated" by the words "still victims of all forms of injustice, violent oppression and atrocities perpetrated".

203. After a discussion in which the representatives of Luxembourg, Algeria, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, Senegal and Bulgaria (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic and Poland) and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77) took part, the Committee accepted the amendment proposed by the representative of Zimbabwe.

204. The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 27, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 245 below.

## Inclusion of Portuguese among the official working languages of the Economic Commission for Africa

205. At its 28th meeting, the Committee considered draft resolution H recommended by the Economic Commission for Africa, entitled "Introduction of Portuguese as one of the official working languages of the Economic Commission for Africa" (see E/1985/106, para. 10).

206. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.12).

207. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee informed the Committee that, during the informal consultations, it had been agreed to insert the word "gradually" after the word "introduced" in operative paragraph 1.

208. A statement of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, as amended (E/1985/C.1/L.12/Rev.1), was before the Committee.

209. The representative of the Budget Division made a statement.

210. Following statements by the representatives of the United States of America and Rwanda, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as amended, by a roll-call vote of 28 to 11, with 5 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 27, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 246 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Spain, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, Canada, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Iceland, Japan, New Zealand, Poland, Sweden, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

Abstaining: France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Luxembourg, Netherlands, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission  
for Western Asia: change of name of the Commission

211. At its 28th meeting, the Committee adopted a draft resolution recommended by the Economic Commission for Western Asia, entitled "Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Western Asia: change of name of the Commission" (see E/1985/106, para. 11), and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 27, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 248 below.

Other draft proposals

Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar

212. At the 20th meeting, on 12 July, the representative of Morocco, on behalf of Lebanon, Morocco, Somalia, Spain and Zaire, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar" (E/1985/C.1/L.10), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Recalling its resolutions 1982/57 of 30 July 1982, 1983/62 of 29 July 1983 and 1984/75 of 30 July 1984, concerning the Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar,

"Referring to the conclusions contained in the interim reports prepared by the executive secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe pursuant to the above resolutions, 12/

"Referring a'so to the decisions of the intergovernmental meeting, held at Thessaloniki in October 1984, on the development of transport in the Mediterranean region and, in particular, decision 1 (a) concerning the south-west Europe-Maghreb corridor, approved by the Inland Transport Committee at its forty-sixth session and by the Economic Commission for Europe at its fortieth session, 13/

"Bearing in mind the research on the traffic link from south-west Europe to the Maghreb which began at Barcelona, on 18 and 19 June 1985, with consultations between the countries concerned,

"Recalling further its resolution 2097 (LXIII) of 29 July 1977, and General Assembly resolution 32/160 of 19 December 1977, in which the Assembly proclaimed the period 1978-1988 the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa,

"1. Welcomes the progress made in the studies and work on the permanent link and the efforts made by Morocco and Spain, as co-sponsors of the project, in consultation and co-operation with the Governments of the countries concerned, the international organizations and research institutes of the western Mediterranean;

"2. Invites Governments, international organizations and research institutes to continue to co-operate with the Moroccan and Spanish Governments, and with the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic Commission for Africa, in developing studies and work on the project;

"3. Requests the Secretary-General to provide the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic Commission for Africa with the resources necessary to carry out economic studies on the development of transport, in accordance with the decision referred to above, in connection with the project for the construction of the permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar;

"4. Requests the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe to submit an interim report on the development of the project studies to the Economic and Social Council at its second regular session of 1986."

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12/ E/1983/87/Add.1, sect. V; E/1985/108, sect. IV.

13/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 13 (E/1985/34), chap. IV, decision H (40).

213. The Committee had before it a statement of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/C.1/L.18).

214. At the 28th meeting, on 24 July, the representative of Spain, on behalf of Lebanon, Morocco, Somalia, Spain and Zaire, introduced a revised draft resolution (E/1985/C.1/L.10/Rev.1), which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1985/C.1/L.10.

215. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the revised draft resolution, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 27, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 249 below.

Rules of procedure of the Economic Commission for  
Latin America and the Caribbean

216. At the 27th meeting, on 23 July, the representative of Mexico orally proposed a draft decision by which the Economic and Social Council would request the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean to analyse rule 2 of its rules of procedure at its twenty-first session and report thereon to the Council at its second regular session of 1986.

217. Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Ecuador, Canada, Luxembourg and Mexico. The Chairman of the Committee also made a statement.

218. At its 28th meeting, following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee adopted the draft decision and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 28, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 251 below.

219. The representative of Japan made a statement.

Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in  
connection with the question of regional co-operation

220. At its 28th meeting, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the following reports:

(a) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Report on the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific" (see A/40/295-E/1985/72) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/40/295-E/1985/72/Add.1);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the Transport and Communications Decade in Africa (A/40/409-E/1985/107);

(c) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Contribution of the United Nations system to conservation and management of cultural and natural heritage in Asia and the Pacific" (see E/1984/52) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (E/1984/52/Add.1);

(d) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "United Nations Technical Co-operation in Central America and the Caribbean", volume I, "Central America" (see E/1985/3) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (E/1985/3/Add.1);

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on regional co-operation (E/1985/106);

(f) Interim report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/1985/108).

The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/145/Add.1, para. 28, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 252 below.

221. At the 28th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Sweden (on behalf also of Finland and Iceland), Bulgaria (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic and Poland), the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Algeria, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community) and Canada.

222. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representative of Iceland (on behalf also of Finland and Sweden) and the observers for Angola and Portugal.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

223. At its 52nd meeting, on 26 July, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in part one of its report (E/1985/145, paras. 50 and 51).

224. Draft resolution I, entitled "Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: membership of Brunei Darussalam and Tuvalu", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/60.

225. Draft resolution II, entitled "Industrial Development Decade for Africa", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/61.

226. The representatives of Canada and the United States of America made statements before the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

227. The Council held a separate vote on operative paragraph 2 of draft resolution III, entitled "African Institute for Economic Development and Planning". The paragraph was adopted by 28 votes to 7, with 8 abstentions.

228. Draft resolution III, as a whole, was adopted by 28 votes to 5, with 12 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/62.

229. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Measures to ensure the effective and accelerated implementation of the Substantial New Programme of Action in the African least developed countries during the second half of the 1980s", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/63.

230. The representatives of the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Federal Republic of Germany made statements after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

231. Draft resolution V, entitled "Developmental social welfare policies and programmes on the situation of African migrant workers", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/64.

232. The Council held a separate vote on operative paragraphs 3 to 5 of draft resolution VI, entitled "Transport and Communications Decade in Africa". The paragraphs were adopted by 26 votes to 7, with 10 abstentions.

233. The representative of the Federal Republic of Germany made a statement before paragraphs 3 to 5 were adopted; the representative of Algeria made a statement after the paragraphs were adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

234. Draft resolution VI, as a whole, was adopted by 27 votes to 1, with 16 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/65.

235. The representative of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community) and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77) made statements after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

236. The Council held a separate vote on operative paragraph 2 of draft resolution VII, entitled "Appointment of directors of Multinational Programming and Operational Centres". The paragraph was adopted by 33 votes to 10, with 3 abstentions.

237. Draft resolution VII, as a whole, was adopted by 34 votes to 1, with 9 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/66.

238. The representative of Luxembourg, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community, made a statement after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

239. Draft decision I, entitled "Venue of the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean", was adopted by 34 votes to 8, with 4 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/188.

240. The representative of the United States of America made a statement before the draft decision was adopted. The representative of the Budget Division also made a statement. The representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Mexico and Japan made statements after the draft decision was adopted. (See E/1985/SR.52.)

241. Draft decision II, entitled "Venue of the twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Africa and 12th meeting of the Conference of Ministers of the Commission", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/189.

242. The representative of the United States of America made a statement before the draft decision was adopted. The observer for Cameroon made a statement after it was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

243. The representative of Canada made a statement after draft decisions I and II were adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

244. Also at its 52nd meeting, the Council considered the draft resolutions and decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in part two of its report (E/1985/145/Add.1, paras. 27 and 28).

245. Draft resolution I, entitled "Women and development in Africa", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/67.

246. Draft resolution II, entitled "Inclusion of Portuguese among the official working languages of the Economic Commission for Africa", was adopted by 30 votes to 12, with 5 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/68.

247. The representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community) and Sweden (on behalf also of Finland and Iceland) made statements after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

248. Draft resolution III, entitled "Amendment of the terms of reference of the Economic Commission for Western Asia: change of name of the Commission", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/69.

249. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/70.

250. The representatives of Algeria, Zimbabwe and Morocco made statements after the draft resolution was adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

251. Draft decision I, entitled "Rules of procedure of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/190.

252. Draft decision II, entitled "Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of regional co-operation", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/191.

253. The representative of Algeria made a statement after the draft resolutions and decisions were adopted (see E/1985/SR.52).

#### H. Food problems

254. The Council considered the question of food problems at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 10). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 16th, 17th, 19th, 20th, 23rd and 30th meetings, from 10 to 12 and on 16 and 25 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the critical situation of food and agriculture in Africa, 1984-1985 (A/40/329-E/1985/80);

(b) Letter dated 19 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/393-E/1985/128);

(c) Report of the World Food Council on the work of its eleventh session (WFC/1985/13 and Corr.1); 14/

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14/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/40/19).

ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

255. At its 16th, 17th, 19th and 20th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 16th meeting, on 11 July, it heard an introductory statement by the Executive Director of the World Food Council.

256. Also at the 16th meeting, statements were made by the representative of Canada and the observer for Czechoslovakia.

257. At the 17th meeting, on 11 July, statements were made by the representatives of China, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United States of America, Ecuador, Nigeria, Algeria, Bulgaria and Argentina, and the observers for Democratic Kampuchea and Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77). The observer for the European Economic Community made a statement.

258. At the 19th meeting, on 12 July, statements were made by the representatives of India, Japan, the German Democratic Republic, New Zealand, Yugoslavia and Somalia, and the observers for Denmark (on behalf also of Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Kenya, Ethiopia, Austria, Australia and Ghana. The Deputy Executive Director of the World Food Programme also made a statement.

259. At the 20th meeting, on 12 July, statements were made by the representative of Bangladesh and the observer for the Sudan.

Pledging target for contributions to the World Food Programme for the biennium 1987-1988

260. At its 30th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Pledging target for contributions to the World Food Programme for the biennium 1987-1988" (E/1985/C.1/L.19), submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Miss Nandini Ranasinghe (Sri Lanka), on the basis of informal consultations.

261. Following a statement by the Vice-Chairman, the Committee adopted the draft resolution and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/147, para. 14, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 268 below.

Food and agricultural problems

262. At the 23rd meeting, on 16 July, the observer for Egypt, 16/ on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Food and agricultural problems" (E/1985/C.1/L.13), which read as follows:

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15/ To be issued as document E/1985/110.

16/ In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.



"The Economic and Social Council,

"Recalling the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, contained in General Assembly resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, contained in Assembly resolution 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, Assembly resolution 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation, and the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, contained in Assembly resolution 35/56 of 5 December 1980,

"Recalling the Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition adopted by the World Food Conference 17/ and the Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development, 18/

"Stressing the imperative need to keep food and agricultural issues at the centre of global attention,

"Recalling the Declaration on the Critical Economic Situation in Africa, adopted by the General Assembly on 3 December 1984, 19/

"Reaffirming that food and agricultural problems in developing countries should be considered in a comprehensive manner in their different dimensions and in their immediate, short-term and long-term perspectives,

"Deeply concerned about the worsening of Africa's food crisis,

"Reaffirming that the right to food is a universal human right which should be guaranteed to all people and, in that context, believing in the general principle that food should not be used as an instrument of political pressure,

"Reaffirming also that the maintenance of peace and security and the strengthening of international co-operation in food and agriculture are important for improved economic conditions and enhanced food security.

"1. Reaffirms Council resolution 1984/54 of 25 July 1984 and General Assembly resolutions 38/158 of 19 December 1983 and 39/166 of 17 December 1984, as well as all other relevant resolutions concerning food and agriculture, and calls for their immediate and effective implementation;

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17/ Report of the World Food Conference, Rome, 5-16 November 1974 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.75.II.A.3), chap. I.

18/ See Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Report of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development, Rome, 12-20 July 1979 (WCARRD/REP), part one.

19/ General Assembly resolution 39/29, annex.

"2. Welcomes the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the World Food Council on the work of its eleventh session, held in Paris from 10 to 13 June 1985; 20/

"3. Welcomes also the tenth annual report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes; 21/

"4. Affirms that food represents an essential element of the world's economic, social and political development process and should therefore be treated with the highest priority by all Governments in their rededication to the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations in this fortieth anniversary year of the United Nations;

"5. Calls upon the international community to provide effective support to the positive efforts of the developing countries for the development of their food and agricultural production;

"6. Emphasizes the need for the timely delivery of food to those requiring assistance, especially in African countries, and the need to assist recipient countries in developing and strengthening their logistic and administrative capacities, as well as internal distribution systems, and that emergency food programmes should whenever possible procure supplies within the region;

"7. Notes with concern the sharp fall in commodity prices and the severe decline in the terms of trade for developing countries, and calls for continuous efforts for the conclusion of appropriate commodity agreements within the framework of the Integrated Programme for Commodities, as well as the early entry into force of the Agreement Establishing the Common Fund for Commodities; 22/

"8. Expresses its concern that external debts and adjustment policies are imposing a severe burden on the economies of developing countries, seriously affecting their capacity to tackle their food problems;

"9. Notes with concern the stagnation in commitments of external resources for the agricultural sector, particularly the decline in concessional flows, and the overall hardening of terms, and urges the donor community to take determined action to reverse this trend by, inter alia, increasing its contributions to the multilateral agencies and by taking immediate measures to reverse the negative flow of financial resources from developing countries to the developed countries;

"10. Calls upon the parties concerned to urgently achieve the conclusion of the negotiations on the second replenishment of the International Fund for Agricultural Development in the light of the broad agreement achieved at the seventh meeting of the consultation on the replenishment;

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20/ WFC/1985/13 and Corr.1.

21/ WFP/CFA: 19/21.

22/ United Nations publication, Sales No. E.81.II.D.8.

"11. Requests the International Wheat Council to continue to explore the ways and means of raising to 10 million tons the minimum overall commitment under the Food Aid Convention;

"12. Urges the Committee on Trade in Agriculture of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to continue, within its mandate, to accelerate progress towards more operationally effective rules and disciplines for trade in agriculture, bearing in mind the concerns of all developing countries, including wider and more predictable access to markets of developed countries;

"13. Urges all countries to demonstrate the requisite political will by refraining from creating tariff obstacles to agricultural imports, especially those from developing countries, and that developed exporting countries should endeavour to limit export subsidies and analogous practices which might hinder trade, especially that of developing countries;

"14. Welcomes the increased activity and proposed strengthening of the Global Information and Early Warning System in Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and emphasizes the importance of establishing and improving national and regional early warning systems;

"15. Urges the donor community to provide the necessary financial support for the effective implementation of the Programmes of Action approved by the FAO World Conference on Fisheries Management and Development; 23/

"16. Urges the World Food Council, within the context of its mandate, to mobilize and sustain greater efforts in the struggle to overcome hunger, to continue to review and report on major problems and policy issues, and to continue to serve as a co-ordinating mechanism in the field of food and other related policy matters within the United Nations system;

"17. Stresses the need for strengthening subregional, regional and interregional co-operation for the promotion of food security and the development of agriculture in developing countries and, in this context, calls upon the relevant entities of the United Nations system to accord priority support to economic and technical co-operation among developing countries in food and agriculture."

263. At the 30th meeting, on 25 July, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Miss Nandini Ranasinghe (Sri Lanka), made a statement in which she informed the Committee that agreement, ad referendum, had been reached during the informal consultations held on the draft resolution, and presented the amendments agreed upon.

264. Statements were made by the representative of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community) and the observer for Australia. Statements were also made by the Representatives of the United States of America, Canada, Japan, New Zealand and Sri Lanka, and the observers for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77) and Australia.

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23/ See Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Report of the FAO World Conference on Fisheries Management and Development, Rome, 27 June-6 July 1984 (Rome, 1984).

265. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to transmit the text of a draft resolution (subsequently circulated as document E/1985/C.1/L.22) submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of the informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1985/C.1/L.13 (see para. 263 above) to the Economic and Social Council for action (E/1985/147, para. 15, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 269 and 270 below.

Report of the Secretary-General on the critical situation  
of food and agriculture in Africa, 1984-1985

266. At its 30th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the critical situation of food and agriculture in Africa, 1984-1985 (A/40/329-E/1985/80). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/147, para. 16). For action by the Council, see paragraph 271 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

267. At its 2nd meeting, on 26 July, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decision recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/147, paras. 14-16).

268. Draft resolution I, entitled "Pledging target for contributions to the world Food Programme for the biennium 1987-1988", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/73.

269. The observer for Egypt, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77, made a statement on draft resolution II, entitled "Food and agricultural problems" (see E/1985/SR.52).

270. In the light of the statement made by the observer for Egypt, the Council decided to transmit the text of the draft resolution to the General Assembly at its fortieth session. For the texts of the decision and the draft resolution, see Council decision 1985/196.

271. The draft decision entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the critical situation of food and agriculture in Africa, 1984-1985" was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/197.

272. Also at the 52nd meeting, the President of the Council stated that, with regard to the interim progress report on the implementation of the decisions of the Secretary-General and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the World Food Programme's institutional relationships, it was his understanding that the entire report of the United Nations/FAO Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes on its twentieth session would be made available, for information and as an exception, to the General Assembly at its fortieth session. That would be reflected in the annotated agenda of the fortieth session of the Assembly.

## I. Natural resources

273. The Council considered the question of natural resources at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 11). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 10th, 11th, 15th, 21st and 24th meetings, on 4, 5, 10, 15 and 16 July 1985. The Council had before it the report of the Secretary-General on progress in the attainment of the goals of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade (A/40/108-E/1985/49) and the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session. 24/

### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

274. At its 10th and 11th meetings, on 4 and 5 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

275. At the 10th meeting, the representative of Yugoslavia made a statement.

276. At the 11th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Bangladesh, Japan, the German Democratic Republic, China, France, the Netherlands and Finland (on behalf also of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden). The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement. A statement was also made by the representative of the Department of Technical Co-operation for Development of the United Nations Secretariat.

### Recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Natural Resources

277. Chapter I of the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session 24/ contained eight draft resolutions and a draft decision recommended for adoption by the Council. It also contained a decision (decision 9/1), in which the Committee recommended the Council to transmit a draft resolution to the General Assembly at its fortieth session.

278. The Committee held informal consultations on all the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Natural Resources under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Pekka Juhani Huhtaniemi (Finland). At the 21st meeting, on 15 July, the Vice-Chairman made a statement in which he informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations.

### Small-scale mining

279. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution I, entitled "Small-scale mining", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 296 below.

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24/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 7 (E/1985/27).

### Mineral resources

280. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution II, entitled "Mineral resources", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 297 below.

### Water resources development

281. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution III, entitled "Water resources development", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 298 below.

### Application of microcomputer technology in the development of water, energy and mineral resources

282. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution IV, entitled "Application of microcomputer technology in the development of water, energy and mineral resources", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 299 below.

### United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration

283. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution V, entitled "United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 300 below.

### Permanent sovereignty over natural resources

284. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VI, entitled "Permanent sovereignty over natural resources", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution VI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 301 below.

### Co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources

285. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VII, entitled "Co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution VII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 302 below.

### Rationalization of the work of the Committee on Natural Resources

286. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VIII, entitled "Rationalization of the work of the Committee on Natural Resources", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution VIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 303 below.

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session  
and provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of  
the Committee

287. At its 21st meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision entitled "Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Committee", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 24, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 305 below.

International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade

288. At its 21st meeting, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to transmit to the General Assembly at its fortieth session the draft resolution entitled "International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade" annexed to decision 9/1 of the Committee on Natural Resources, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 24, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 306 below.

Other draft proposals

International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade

289. At the 15th meeting, on 10 July, the representative of the Netherlands introduced a draft resolution entitled "International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade" (E/1985/C.1/L.6), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Recalling General Assembly resolution 32/158 of 19 December 1977, by which the Assembly approved the Mar del Plata Action Plan adopted by the United Nations Water Conference, 25/

"Recalling also General Assembly resolution 35/18 of 10 November 1980, by which the Assembly proclaimed the period 1981-1990 as the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade,

"Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 1983/57 of 28 July 1983, in which the Council urged Governments of developing countries to adopt national targets for drinking water supply and sanitation services, commensurate with resource availability, absorptive capacity and ability, and to formulate action plans and programmes for reaching the targets set,

"Mindful of the fact that significant progress towards meeting the objectives of the Decade by 1990 will require a much greater sense of urgency and priority on the part of Governments and the continued support of the international community,

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25/ Report of the United Nations Water Conference, Mar del Plata,  
14-25 March 1977 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.77.II.A.12), chap. I.

"Taking into account the report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session, 26/ including the draft resolution on the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade annexed to Committee decision 9/1 for transmission to the General Assembly at its fortieth session, 27/

"1. Welcomes the recommendations and conclusions contained in the report of the Secretary-General on progress in the attainment of the goals of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade; 28/

"2. Recommends the General Assembly at its fortieth session to take into account the following five proposals, which all seek to enhance the effectiveness of activities at the country level, and to urge Governments:

"(a) To ensure that current programmes bring safe drinking water supply and sanitation to the poorest and most under-served urban and rural populations and that sanitation is provided along with drinking water supply;

"(b) To organize consultations, within existing resources, on their Decade programmes with major donor agencies through Decade consultative meetings or other co-ordinating processes;

"(c) To ensure that water supply and sanitation systems, particularly in rural areas, are properly operated and maintained, including water quality surveillance;

"(d) To ensure that equitable cost-recovery policies are implemented;

"(e) To review plans and develop strategies and mechanisms to increase collaboration with non-governmental organizations in the planning and implementation of Decade activities."

290. At the 24th meeting, on 16 July, the representative of the Netherlands made a statement in which he withdrew the draft resolution.

291. At the same meeting, the representative of India made a statement.

Improvement of secretariat servicing and substantive support services for the Committee on Natural Resources

292. At the 15th meeting, the representative of Canada, on behalf of Argentina, Canada, India, the Netherlands and Norway, 16/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "Improvement of secretariat servicing and substantive support services for

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26/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 7 (E/1985/27).

27/ Ibid., chap. I, sect. C.

28/ A/40/108-E/1985/49.



the Committee on Natural Resources" (E/1985/C.1/L.7). Subsequently, Pakistan 16/ and the United States of America joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

293. At its 21st meeting, following a statement by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Huhtaniemi (Finland), in which he informed the Committee of the results of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1985/C.1/L.7, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 23, draft resolution IX). For action by the Council, see paragraph 304 below.

Report of the Secretary-General on progress in the attainment of  
the goals of the International Drinking Water Supply and  
Sanitation Decade

294. At its 21st meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on progress in the attainment of the goals of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade (A/40/108-E/1985/49). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/148, para. 24, draft decision III). For action by the Council, see paragraph below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

295. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/148, paras. 23 and 24).

296. Draft resolution I, entitled "Small-scale mining", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/47.

297. Draft resolution II, entitled "Mineral resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/48.

298. Draft resolution III, entitled "Water resources development", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/49.

299. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Application of microcomputer technology in the development of water, energy and mineral resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/50.

300. Draft resolution V, entitled "United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/51.

301. Draft resolution VI, entitled "Permanent sovereignty over natural resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/52.

302. Draft resolution VII, entitled "Co-ordination of programmes within the United Nations system in the field of natural resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/53.

303. Draft resolution VIII, entitled "Rationalization of the work of the Committee on Natural Resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/54.

304. Draft resolution IX, entitled "Improvement of secretariat servicing and substantive support services for the Committee on Natural Resources", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/55.

305. Draft decision I, entitled "Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its ninth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Committee", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/166.

306. The Council adopted draft decision II, entitled "International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade", to which was annexed a draft resolution for consideration by the General Assembly. For the texts of the decision and the draft resolution, see Council decision 1985/167.

307. The representative of the Netherlands made a statement after the draft decision was adopted.

308. Draft decision III, entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on progress in the attainment of the goals of the International Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Decade", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/168.

#### J. Industrial development co-operation

309. The Council considered the question of industrial development co-operation at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 12). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 18th, 20th and 25th meetings, on 11, 12 and 17 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Letter dated 24 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the German Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/340-E/1985/118);

(b) Letter dated 22 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/347-E/1985/121);

(c) Letter dated 3 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/366-E/1985/123);

(d) Letter dated 10 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/374-E/1985/126);

(e) Letter dated 14 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/384-E/1985/127);

(f) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the fourth progress report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa on the Industrial Development Decade for Africa (A/40/420-E/1985/111);

(g) Letter dated 24 July 1985 from the President of the Economic and Social Council addressed to the Secretary-General (E/1985/157);

(h) Report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its nineteenth session (ID/B/350). 29/

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

310. At its 18th and 20th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 18th meeting, it heard an introductory statement by the representative of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

311. Also at the 18th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Yugoslavia, Mexico, Indonesia, Bangladesh, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Finland (on behalf of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden) and Argentina, and the observers for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77), Czechoslovakia and Austria.

312. At the 20th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the German Democratic Republic, Ecuador, Poland, Uganda, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Bulgaria, India and China. Statements were also made by the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

#### Report of the Industrial Development Board

313. At its 25th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its nineteenth session (ID/B/350) and the recommendations contained therein. The recommendations was submitted to the Council (E/1985/149, para. 7, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 316 below.

#### Report on the Industrial Development Decade for Africa

314. At its 25th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the fourth progress report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (A/40/420-E/1985/111, annex). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/149, para. 7, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 317 below.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

315. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered the draft decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/149, para. 7).

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29/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/40/16).

316. Draft decision I, entitled "Report of the Industrial Development Board", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/169.

317. Draft decision II, entitled "Report on the Industrial Development Decade for Africa", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/170.

Arrangements for the negotiation of an agreement between the  
United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development  
Organization

318. At the 52nd meeting, the President drew the attention of the Council to the letter he had addressed to the Secretary-General, announcing the appointment of the members of the Committee on Negotiations with Intergovernmental Agencies (E/1985/157). Pursuant to Council decision 1983/105, and in consultation with the regional groups concerned, he had appointed the following States members of the Committee: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Colombia, Congo, Ecuador, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, India, Japan, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Poland, Somalia, Thailand, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

319. At the same meeting, the Council considered a draft resolution proposed by the President, entitled "Arrangements for the negotiation of an agreement between the United Nations and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization" (E/1985/L.59).

320. After hearing statements by the representative of the United States of America and the Secretary of the Council, the Council adopted the draft resolution. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/74.

K. Trade and development

321. The Council considered the question of trade and development at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 13). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 24th to 26th meetings, from 16 to 18 July 1985. The Council had before it the report of the Trade and Development Board on its thirtieth session (UNCTAD/CA/2509). 30/

ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

322. At its 24th and 25th meetings, on 16 and 17 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 24th meeting, it heard an introductory statement by the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

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30/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 15 (A/40/15), vol. I.

323. Also at the 24th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Sweden (on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway), the German Democratic Republic, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Canada, and the observers for the Republic of Korea and Hungary.

324. At the 25th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Turkey, India, Algeria, Mexico, Argentina and Bangladesh. The Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development also made a statement.

#### Report of the Trade and Development Board

325. At its 26th meeting, on 18 July, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Trade and Development Board on its thirtieth session (UNCTAD/CA/2509). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/150, para. 6). For action by the Council, see paragraph 326 below.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

326. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted the draft decision entitled "Report of the Trade and Development Board", recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/150, para. 6). For the final text, see Council decision 1985/171.

#### L. International co-operation on the environment

327. The Council considered the question of international co-operation on the environment at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 14). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 12th, 14th, 16th and 25th meetings, on 8, 9, 10 and 17 July 1985. The Council had before it the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the work of its thirteenth session (E/1985/L.44 and Corr.1). 31/

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

328. At its 12th, 14th and 16th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

329. At the 12th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Federal Republic of Germany, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Indonesia, Canada, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, India and Bangladesh.

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31/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 25 (A/40/25).

330. At the 14th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Iceland (on behalf also of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden), Algeria, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, the German Democratic Republic, Japan and Argentina. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

331. At the 16th meeting, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics made a statement in which he proposed that the Economic and Social Council should request the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to provide information regarding the financial implications, and sources of financing for the implementation, of decisions and programmes adopted by the Governing Council, starting from the fourteenth session of the Governing Council, and that that information should be included in the reports of the Governing Council to the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly.

332. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States of America, noting that his Government favoured the provision of complete information on the financial implications of United Nations resolutions and decisions, said that his delegation would not object to the inclusion of the proposal of the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the report of the First (Economic) Committee, on the understanding that that procedure would not create a precedent. He pointed out that the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme should not be the subject of substantive consideration by the Economic and Social Council in 1985, in accordance with the biennial programme of work adopted by the General Assembly, and that the texts of informal proposals made by delegations in the course of statements before the sessional committees of the Council were not normally included in the reports of the committees.

333. At the same meeting, the Committee agreed to include the above statements in its report to the Council, on the understanding that that procedure would not create a precedent for future reports of the sessional committees of the Council.

334. At the same meeting, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme made a statement.

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations  
Environment Programme

335. At its 25th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on the work of its thirteenth session (E/1985/L.44 and Corr.1). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/151, para. 10). For action by the Council, see paragraph 336 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

336. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted the draft decision entitled "Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment

Programme", recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/151, para. 10). For the final text, see Council decision 1985/172.

337. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics made a statement; the representative of the United Nations Environment Programme also made a statement (see E/1985/SR.52).

#### M. International co-operation in the field of human settlements

338. The Council considered the question of international co-operation in the field of human settlements at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 15). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 21st, 22nd and 24th meetings, on 15 and 16 July 1985. The Council had before it the report of the Commission on Human Settlements on the work of its eighth session <sup>32/</sup> and the report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories (A/40/373-E/1985/99).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

339. At its 21st, 22nd and 24th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

340. At the 21st meeting, on 15 July, the observer for the Palestine Liberation Organization made a statement.

341. At the 22nd meeting, on 15 July, statements were made by the representatives of the German Democratic Republic, Sri Lanka, Bulgaria, Bangladesh and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

342. At the 24th meeting, on 16 July, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Poland and India and the observer for Israel. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

#### Report of the Commission on Human Settlements

343. At its 24th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Commission on Human Settlements on the work of its eighth session. <sup>32/</sup> The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/142, para. 8, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 346 below.

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<sup>32/</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/40/8).

Report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the  
Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories

344. At its 24th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories (A/40/373-E/1985/99). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/142, para. 8, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 347 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

345. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered the draft decisions recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/142, para. 8).

346. Draft decision I, entitled "Report of the Commission on Human Settlements", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/173.

347. Draft decision II, entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/174.

N. Science and technology for development

348. The Council considered the question of science and technology for development at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 16). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 24th and 25th meetings, on 16 and 17 July 1985. The Council had before it the report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development on its seventh session (E/1985/L.43). 33/

ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

349. At its 24th and 25th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

350. At the 24th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Yugoslavia and Bulgaria. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

351. At the 25th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the German Democratic Republic, Poland, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Thailand and the observer for Egypt (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the Group of 77).

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33/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 37 (A/40/37).



Report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and  
Technology for Development

352. At its 25th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development on its seventh session (E/1985/L.43). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/152, para. 6). For action by the Council, see paragraph 353 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

353. At its 52nd meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision entitled "Report of the Intergovernmental Committee on Science and Technology for Development", recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/152, para. 6). For the final text, see Council decision 1985/175.

O. Countries stricken by desertification and drought

354. The Council considered the question of countries stricken by desertification and drought at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 22). At its 28th plenary meeting on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the First (Economic) Committee, which considered it at its 12th, 14th, 16th and 25th meetings, on 8, 9, 10 and 17 July 1985. The Council had before it the preliminary report of the Secretary-General on countries stricken by desertification and drought (A/40/392-E/1985/117).

ACTION TAKEN BY THE FIRST (ECONOMIC) COMMITTEE

355. At its 12th, 14th and 16th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

356. At the 12th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Federal Republic of Germany, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Senegal, Indonesia, Canada, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, India, Nigeria and Bangladesh.

357. At the 14th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Iceland (on behalf also of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden), Algeria, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, the German Democratic Republic, Japan and Argentina. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

358. At the 16th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America. The Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme also made a statement. The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Preliminary report of the Secretary-General on countries  
stricken by desertification and drought

359. At the 25th meeting, the Chairman of the Committee proposed the following draft decision for the approval of the Committee:

"The Economic and Social Council takes note of the preliminary report of the Secretary-General on countries stricken by desertification and drought and decides to transmit it to the General Assembly for consideration at its fortieth session."

360. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States of America orally proposed an amendment to the Chairman's proposal by which the words "and decides to transmit it to the General Assembly for consideration at its fortieth session" would be replaced by the following:

"Requests the Secretary-General to submit the final report as soon as possible to the General Assembly, taking into account the views expressed by delegations during the second regular session of 1985 of the Council."

361. The Committee then adopted the draft decision, as orally amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/153, para. 9). For action by the Council, see paragraph 362 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

362. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered the draft decision entitled "Preliminary report of the Secretary-General on countries stricken by desertification and drought", recommended by the First (Economic) Committee in its report (E/1985/153, para. 9). For the final text, see Council decision 1985/176.

## Chapter V

### QUESTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE SECOND (SOCIAL) COMMITTEE

#### A. Human rights

1. The Council considered the question of human rights at its first regular session of 1985 (agenda item 16). At its 7th plenary meeting, on 7 May 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Second (Social) Committee, which considered it at its 9th to 15th meetings, from 20 to 24 May 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on measures to be taken against Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist activities and all other forms of totalitarian ideologies and practices based on racial intolerance, hatred and terror (A/40/232-E/1985/40 and Add.1);

(b) Letter dated 25 April 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/267-E/1985/69);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General on the draft declaration on the right to development (A/40/277-E/1985/70);

(d) Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its forty-first session; 1/

(e) Note by the Secretariat on allegations regarding infringements of trade union rights in South Africa (E/1985/41);

(f) Letter dated 20 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Afghanistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (E/1985/87);

(g) Letter dated 14 June 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (E/1985/125).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE SECOND (SOCIAL) COMMITTEE

2. At its 9th to 15th meetings, from 20 to 24 May, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 9th meeting, it heard an introductory statement by the Deputy Director of the Centre for Human Rights.

3. Also at the 9th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands and Ecuador and the observer for Italy (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community). The observer for the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category I, with the Council, also made a statement.

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1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 2 (E/1985/22).

4. At the 10th meeting, on 21 May, statements were made by the representatives of Spain and India, and the observers for Ireland, Norway and Austria.
5. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, statements were made by the representatives of Morocco, Canada and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the observers for Bolivia and the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic.
6. At the 12th meeting, on 22 May, statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Poland, France and China, and the observers for Democratic Kampuchea and Australia.
7. At the 13th meeting, on 23 May, statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela, Sri Lanka, Yugoslavia, the German Democratic Republic, Costa Rica, Finland and Sweden, and the observers for the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam.
8. At the 14th meeting, on 24 May, statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Bangladesh, Zimbabwe, the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the observers for Denmark and Mongolia.
9. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, statements were made by the representatives of Malaysia, Algeria, Mexico and Bulgaria and the observer for Cuba.

Recommendations contained in the report of the  
Commission on Human Rights

10. Chapter I of the report of the Commission on Human Rights on its forty-first session 1/ contained 6 draft resolutions and 18 draft decisions recommended for adoption by the Council. The administrative and programme budget implications of the draft resolutions and draft decisions were set out in annex III to the report.
11. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of the Budget Division of the Office of Financial Services made a statement on the administrative and programme budget implications of the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the Commission.

The administration of justice and the human rights of detainees

12. At its 15th meeting, on 24 May, the Committee adopted draft resolution I, entitled "The administration of justice and the human rights of detainees", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 62 below.

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations

13. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution II, entitled "United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 63 below.

### Situation in Equatorial Guinea

14. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution III, entitled "Situation in Equatorial Guinea", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 64 below.

### Summary of arbitrary executions

15. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution IV, entitled "Summary of arbitrary executions", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 65 below.

### Elaboration of a second optional protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty

16. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution V, entitled "Elaboration of a second optional protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 66 below.

17. After the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Saudi Arabia made a statement.

### Question of a convention on the rights of the child

18. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VI, entitled "Question of a convention on the rights of the child" and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para.61, draft resolution VI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 68 below.

### Study of the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations

19. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 1, entitled "Study of the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 71 below.

General decision concerning the establishment of a working group of the Commission on Human Rights to examine situations referred to the Commission under Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations of which the Commission is seized

20. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 2, entitled "General decision concerning the establishment of a working group of the Commission on Human Rights to examine situations referred to the Commission under Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations of which the Commission is seized", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 72 below.

Discontinuance of consideration of the human rights situation in Uruguay

21. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 3, entitled "Discontinuance of consideration of the human rights situation in Uruguay", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 73 below.

Situation of human rights in South Africa

22. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 4, entitled "Situation of human rights in South Africa", by 51 votes to 1, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 75 below.

Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination

23. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 5, entitled "Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination", by 52 votes to 1, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 77 below.

24. Before the draft decision was adopted, a statement was made by the representative of the United States of America.

Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances

25. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 6, entitled "Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision VI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 79 below.

Slavery and slavery-like practices: mission to Mauritania

26. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 7, entitled "Slavery and slavery-like practices: mission to Mauritania", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision VII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 80 below.

Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading  
treatment or punishment

27. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 8, entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision VIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 81 below.

Situation of human rights in El Salvador

28. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 9, entitled "Situation of human rights in El Salvador", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision IX). For action by the Council, see paragraph 82 below.

Situation of human rights in Guatemala

29. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 10, entitled "Situation of human rights in Guatemala", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision X). For action by the Council, see paragraph 83 below.

30. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of Sweden and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Question of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Afghanistan

31. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 11, entitled "Question of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Afghanistan", by 38 votes to 5, with 7 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 84 below.

32. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic, Bulgaria and Poland) and the observer for Afghanistan.

Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran

33. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 12, entitled "Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran", by 24 votes to 2, with 20 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 86 below.

### The right to development

34. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 13, entitled "The right to development", by a recorded vote of 34 to 9, with 7 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 87 below.

The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire.

Against: Canada, Finland, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: France, Luxembourg, Morocco, Netherlands, Somalia, Spain, Turkey.

35. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, New Zealand and Senegal.

### Question of human rights in Chile

36. At the same meeting, the Committee considered draft decision 14, entitled "Question of human rights in Chile".

37. At the same meeting, the representative of Mexico orally proposed an amendment to the draft decision, by which the words "and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the necessary financial resources and sufficient staff will be provided to implement the above-mentioned resolution" would be added at the end of the draft decision.

38. The Committee then adopted the draft decision, as amended, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XIV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 89 below.

39. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America. After it was adopted, a statement was made by the representative of Mexico.

### Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights

40. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 15, entitled "Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 91 below.



Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms  
in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial  
and other dependent countries and territories

41. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 16, entitled "Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XVI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 92 below.

Report of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination  
and Protection of Minorities

42. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 17, entitled "Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XVII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 93 below.

Report of the Commission on Human Rights

43. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision 18, entitled "Report of the Commission on Human Rights", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XVIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 94 below.

Other draft proposals

Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts of the Commission  
on Human Rights on allegations of infringements of trade union  
rights in the Republic of South Africa

44. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of India, on behalf of Algeria, Australia, 2/ Bangladesh, Botswana, China, the Congo, Costa Rica, Cyprus, 2/ Djibouti, Egypt, 2/ Finland, Guinea, Haiti, India, Mali, 2/ Nigeria, Pakistan, 2/ Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, the Sudan, 2/ Turkey, Uganda, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia 2/ and Zimbabwe, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights on allegations of infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa" (E/1985/C.2/L.10). Subsequently, Morocco, Rwanda and Saudi Arabia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

45. In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of India orally revised it as follows:

(a) In the last preambular paragraph, the phrase "that severe repression" was replaced by the phrase "the severe repression";

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2/ In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

(b) In operative paragraph 2, the word "Condemns" was replaced by the word "Deplores";

(c) Operative paragraph 5, which read:

"5. Demands the immediate release of all imprisoned trade unionists and the lifting of the orders banning trade unionists and trade union organizations",

was revised to read:

"5. Demands the immediate release of all trade unionists imprisoned for exercising their legitimate trade union rights and the lifting of the orders banning trade unionists and trade union organizations".

46. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution VII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 69 below.

Solemn commemorative ceremony in the light of General  
Assembly resolution 39/114

47. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, on behalf of Afghanistan, 2/ Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, 2/, Cuba, 2/ Czechoslovakia, 2/ the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, 2/ Mongolia, 2/ Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, 2/ the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Viet Nam, 2/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "Fortieth anniversary of the victory in the Second world war" (E/1985/C.2/L.11), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Taking note of General Assembly resolution 39/114 of 14 December 1984, in which the Assembly declared 8 and 9 May 1985 the days of the fortieth anniversary of victory over nazism and fascism in the Second World War and of the struggle against them,

"Paying a tribute of respect to the peoples whose great efforts and sufferings led to that victory and to the establishment of the United Nations forty years ago,

"Recalling that the United Nations embodies the resolve of peoples to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights and in the dignity and worth of the human person,

"Noting the wide acclaim of the solemn ceremony, held on 8 May 1985 by the Economic and Social Council, commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the victory in the Second World War and the founding of the United Nations,

"Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on measures to be taken against Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist activities and all other forms of totalitarian ideologies and practices based on racial intolerance, hatred and

terror, 3/ prepared in the light of the discussion that took place in the Commission on Human Rights at its forty-first session 4/ and on the basis of comments provided by States and international organizations,

"1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General;

"2. Expresses its deep appreciation to the Secretary-General for his report and measures taken in accordance with General Assembly resolution 39/114;

"3. Acknowledges with satisfaction that many States have taken measures for the solemn celebration of this anniversary;

"4. Calls upon all States, specialized agencies, and intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations on the occasion of this anniversary to renew their efforts to promote human rights and fundamental freedoms, in particular the fundamental right to life, liberty and security of peoples;

"5. Decides to transmit, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 39/114, the report of the Secretary-General and relevant information received from States to the General Assembly at its fortieth session for its consideration."

48. At the same meeting, the representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on behalf also of the Netherlands, introduced amendments (E/1985/C.2/L.13) to the draft resolution, by which:

(a) The title of the draft resolution would read:

"Fortieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War";

(b) In the first preambular paragraph, the words "the struggle" would be replaced by the words "that struggle";

(c) A new preambular paragraph would be added after the second preambular paragraph, reading:

"Taking note also of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1985/31 of 13 March 1985, entitled 'Measures to be taken against all totalitarian or other ideologies and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences', and Commission on Human Rights resolution 1985/32 of 13 March 1985, entitled 'Fortieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War'";

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3/ A/40/232-E/1985/40.

4/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 2 (E/1985/22).

(d) In the second preambular paragraph, the words "that victory" would be replaced by the words "the end of the Second World War";

(e) The fourth preambular paragraph would be replaced by the following:

"Noting that on 8 May 1985 the Economic and Social Council held a solemn commemorative ceremony in the light of General Assembly resolution 39/114, bearing in mind the continuing relevance of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular its emphasis on the importance of international co-operation towards peace, security and development, fundamental human rights and the dignity of the human person, and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion";

(f) The following three new preambular paragraphs would be inserted after the fourth preambular paragraph:

"Recalling the close relationship between all totalitarian ideologies and practices based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred and terror and systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

"Acknowledging with satisfaction the fact that many States have established systems based on the inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights of all human beings, which are the basis of democratic society and the best bulwark against totalitarian ideologies and practices,

"Noting that, nevertheless, in the contemporary world there continue to exist various forms of totalitarian ideologies and practices which entail contempt for the individual or a denial of the intrinsic dignity and equality of all human beings and of equality of opportunity in civil, political, economic and cultural spheres";

(g) In the fifth preambular paragraph, the following words would be inserted after the words "forty-first session":

"under its agenda item on 'Measures to be taken against all totalitarian or other ideologies and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences'";

(h) In operative paragraph 1, the words "with appreciation" would be inserted after the words "Takes note" and the words "and decides to transmit it to the General Assembly" added at the end of the paragraph;

(i) Operative paragraph 2 would be deleted;

(j) Operative paragraph 3 would be replaced by the following:

"Acknowledges with satisfaction that many States have taken measures for the solemn commemoration of the anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the founding of the United Nations";

(k) The following new operative paragraph would be inserted after operative paragraph 3:

"Endorses the determination expressed by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1985/31 to resist all totalitarian ideologies, and especially their practices, which deprive people of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms and of equality of opportunity";

(l) In operative paragraph 4, the word "peoples" would be replaced by the word "persons";

(m) Operative paragraph 5 would be deleted.

49. At the same meeting, the Committee had before it a revised text of the draft resolution (E/1985/C.2/L.11/Rev.1), sponsored by Afghanistan, 2/ Bulgaria, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic 2/ Cuba, 2/ Czechoslovakia, 2/ the German Democratic Republic, Hungary, 2/ Mongolia, 2/ Poland, Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, 2/ the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Viet Nam, 2/ which read as follows:

"Fortieth anniversary of the victory and the end of the Second World war

"The Economic and Social Council,

"Taking note of General Assembly resolution 39/114 of 14 December 1984, entitled 'Measures to be taken against Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist activities and all other forms of totalitarian ideologies and practices based on racial intolerance, hatred and terror', in which the Assembly declared 8 and 9 May 1985 the days of the fortieth anniversary of victory over nazism and fascism in the Second World War and of that struggle against them,

"Taking note also of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1985/31 of 13 March 1985, entitled 'Measures to be taken against all totalitarian or other ideologies and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnical exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences' and Commission on Human Rights resolution 1985/32 of 13 March 1985 entitled 'Fortieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War',

"Paying a tribute of respect to the peoples whose great efforts and sufferings led to that victory, the end of the Second World War, and to the establishment of the United Nations forty years ago,

"Recalling that the United Nations embodies the resolve of peoples to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights and in the dignity and worth of the human person,

"Noting the wide acclaim of the solemn ceremony, held on 8 May 1985 by the Economic and Social Council, commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the victory in the Second World War, in the light of General Assembly resolution 39/114, bearing in mind the continuing relevance of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular its emphasis on the importance of international co-operation towards peace, security and development, fundamental human rights and the dignity of the human person, and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion,

"Deeply concerned that in the contemporary world there continue to exist racist, colonialist and other repressive régimes which, in their implementation of totalitarian ideologies and practices such as nazism and fascism, practise mass and flagrant violations of human rights and deprive the oppressed peoples of their right to self-determination and free development,

"Deeply alarmed at the existence and intensification of activities of groups and organizations which propagate totalitarian ideologies and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, which violate human rights and fundamental freedoms, in particular the rights to self-determination, to life, liberty and security of person and to freedom from discrimination, and which thereby threaten the purposes and principles laid down in the Charter of the United Nations,

"Noting that the totalitarian entities and régimes based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred or terror or systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms pursue the purpose of ensuring their domination and their economic and social privileges at the expense of other peoples or racial or ethnic groups, which they suppress and exploit,

"Recalling the close relationship between all totalitarian ideologies and practices based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred and terror and systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

"Acknowledging with satisfaction the fact that many States have established systems based on the inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights of all human beings, which are the basis of democratic society and the best bulwark against totalitarian ideologies and practices, and have set up legal regulations which are designed to prevent the activities of Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist groups and organizations,

"Noting that such totalitarian ideologies and practices entail contempt for the individual or a denial of the intrinsic dignity and equality of all human beings and of equality of opportunity in civil, political, economic and cultural spheres,

"1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General and decides to transmit it to the General Assembly;

"2. Acknowledges with satisfaction that many States have taken measures for the solemn celebration of the anniversary of this victory, of the end of the Second World War and of the founding of the United Nations;

"3. Endorses the condemnation expressed by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1985/31 of all totalitarian or other ideologies, and practices, including Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist, based on racial or ethnic exclusiveness or intolerance, hatred, terror, systematic denial of human rights and fundamental freedoms, or which have such consequences and its determination to resist all such ideologies, and practices which deprive people of basic human rights and fundamental freedoms and of equality of opportunity in civil, political, economic, social and cultural spheres and of social justice;

"4. Calls upon all States, specialized agencies, and intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations on the occasion of this anniversary to renew their efforts to promote human rights and fundamental freedoms, in particular the fundamental right to life, liberty and security of peoples and of each human person."

50. Also at the same meeting, the Committee had before it amendments (E/1985/C.2/L.14) to the revised draft resolution, sponsored by the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, by which:

(a) In the title, the words "the victory and" would be deleted;

(b) In the third preambular paragraph, the words "that victory" would be deleted;

(c) In the fifth preambular paragraph, the words "Noting the wide acclaim ... Second World War" would be replaced by the words "Noting that on 8 May 1985 the Economic and Social Council held a solemn commemorative ceremony";

(d) The sixth to eighth preambular paragraphs would be replaced by the following preambular paragraph:

"Deeply concerned that in the contemporary world there continue to exist racism, colonialism and other repressive régimes which, in their implementation of totalitarian ideologies and practices, violate human rights and fundamental freedoms, in particular the right to self-determination, to life, liberty and security of persons and to freedom from discrimination, and suppress and exploit other peoples or racial and ethnic groups";

(e) In the tenth preambular paragraph, the words "and have set up legal regulations which are designed to prevent the activities of Nazi, Fascist and neo-Fascist groups and organizations" would be deleted;

(f) In the eleventh preambular paragraph, the words "Noting that such totalitarian ideologies and practices entail" would be replaced by the words "Noting that nevertheless there continue to exist various forms of totalitarian ideologies and practices which entail";

(g) In operative paragraph 2, the word "celebration" would be replaced by the word "commemoration";

(h) In operative paragraph 3, the words "all such ideologies" would be replaced by the words "all totalitarian ideologies";

(i) In operative paragraph 4, the words "peoples and of each human person" would be replaced by the words "person and self-determination of peoples".

51. At the same meeting, following consultations among the sponsors of the draft resolution (E/1985/C.2/L.11/Rev.1) and the amendments thereto (E/1985/C.2/L.14), the Committee adopted an agreed text and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 61, draft resolution VIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 70 below.

52. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States of America made a statement.

Right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples  
under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation

53. At the 12th meeting, on 22 May, the representative of Thailand, on behalf of Bangladesh, Belgium, 2/ Brunei Darussalem, 2/ Canada, Costa Rica, Fiji, the Federal Republic of Germany, Honduras, 2/ Iceland, Italy, 2/ Japan, Liberia, 2/ Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Nepal, 2/ the Netherlands, New Zealand, Oman, 2/ Pakistan, 2/ Papua New Guinea, 2/ the Philippines, 2/ Saint Lucia, 3/ Senegal, Singapore, 2/ Somalia, Spain, Swaziland, 2/ Thailand, Turkey, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay 2/ and Zaire, introduced a draft decision entitled "Right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation" (E/1985/C.2/L.8). Subsequently, Samoa 2/ joined in sponsoring the draft decision.

54. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (on behalf also of the German Democratic Republic, Bulgaria and Poland) made a statement.

55. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision by a roll-call vote of 37 to 5, with 7 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XIX). For action by the Council, see paragraph 96 below. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Haiti, Iceland, Indonesia, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire.

Against: Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, India, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Abstaining: Algeria, Congo, Finland, Lebanon, Mexico, Suriname, Uganda.

Material on human rights in Argentina

56. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of Argentina, on behalf of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Mexico and Venezuela, introduced a draft decision entitled "Material on human rights in Argentina" (E/1985/C.2/L.9).

57. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XX). For action by the Council, see paragraph 98 below.

Situation in southern Lebanon

58. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of Lebanon, on behalf of Lebanon, Morocco, the Syrian Arab Republic 2/ and Tunisia, 2/ introduced a draft decision entitled "Situation in southern Lebanon" (E/1985/C.2/L.12). Subsequently, Saudi Arabia joined in sponsoring the draft decision.



59. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision by a roll-call vote of 30 to 1, with 19 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, para. 62, draft decision XXI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 100 below. The voting was as follows: 5/

In favour: Algeria, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Congo, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yugoslavia.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: Argentina, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Haiti, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela, Zaire.

60. After the draft decision was adopted, the observer for Israel made a statement.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

61. At its 25th meeting, on 30 May, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the Second (Social) Committee in its report (E/1985/95 and Corr.1, paras. 61 and 62).

62. Draft resolution I, entitled "The administration of justice and the human rights of detainees", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/37.

63. Draft resolution II, entitled "United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/38.

64. Draft resolution III, entitled "Situation in Equatorial Guinea", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/39.

65. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Summary or arbitrary executions", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/40.

66. Draft resolution V, entitled "Elaboration of a second optional protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/41.

67. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Saudi Arabia made a statement (see E/1985/SR.25).

68. Draft resolution VI, entitled "Question of a convention on the rights of the child", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/42.

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5/ The delegation of Djibouti subsequently indicated that, had it been present during the voting, it would have voted in favour of the draft decision.

69. Draft resolution VII, entitled "Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts of the Commission on Human Rights on allegations of infringements of trade union rights in the Republic of South Africa", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/43.
70. Draft resolution VIII, entitled "Solemn commemorative ceremony in the light of General Assembly resolution 39/114", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/43.
71. Draft decision I, entitled "Study of the problem of discrimination against indigenous populations", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/137.
72. Draft decision II, entitled "General decision concerning the establishment of a working group of the Commission on Human Rights to examine situations referred to the Commission under Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII) and those situations of which the Commission is seized", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/138.
73. Draft decision III, entitled "Discontinuance of consideration of the human rights situation in Uruguay", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/139.
74. After the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States of America made a statement (see E/1985/SR.25).
75. Draft decision IV, entitled "Situation of human rights in South Africa", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 52 to 1. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/140. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, Haiti, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: None.

76. After the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States of America made a statement (see E/1985/SR.25).
77. Draft decision V, entitled "Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 52 to 1. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/141. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, Haiti, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: None.

78. After the draft decision was adopted, the representatives of the United States of America, Japan and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland made statements (see E/1985/SR.25).

79. Draft decision VI, entitled "Question of enforced or involuntary disappearances", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/142.

80. Draft decision VII, entitled "Slavery and slavery-like practices: mission to Mauritania", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/143.

81. Draft decision VIII, entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/144.

82. Draft decision IX, entitled "Situation of human rights in El Salvador", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/145.

83. Draft decision X, entitled "Situation of human rights in Guatemala", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/146.

84. Draft decision XI, entitled "Question of human rights and fundamental freedoms in Afghanistan", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 38 to 5, with 8 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/147. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Djibouti, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Guinea, Haiti, Iceland, Japan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela.

Against: Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, India, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Abstaining: Algeria, Congo, Ecuador, Finland, Uganda, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

85. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (on behalf also of Bulgaria, the German Democratic Republic and Poland) and the observer for Afghanistan made statements; after it was adopted, the representative of the United States of America made a statement (E/1985/SR.25).

86. Draft decision XII, entitled "Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 23 to 2, with 20 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/148. The voting was as follows: 6/

In favour: Bulgaria, Canada, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Rwanda, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Bangladesh.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brazil, China, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Haiti, India, Malaysia, Nigeria, Poland, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

87. Draft decision XIII, entitled "The right to development", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 37 to 9, with 6 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/149. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Thailand, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: Canada, Finland, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, New Zealand, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: France, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Somalia, Spain, Turkey.

88. After the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, Sweden (on behalf also of Finland and Iceland), the Federal Republic of Germany, Japan, France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and New Zealand (see E/1985/SR.25).

89. Draft decision XIV, entitled "Question of human rights in Chile", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/150.

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6/ The delegation of Morocco subsequently indicated that its vote on the draft decision should have been recorded as an abstention and not as being in favour.

90. After the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, the United States of America, Ecuador and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (see E/1985/SR.25).

91. Draft decision XV, entitled "Organization of the work of the Commission on Human Rights", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/151.

92. Draft decision XVI, entitled "Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms in any part of the world, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/152.

93. Draft decision XVII, entitled "Report of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/153.

94. Draft decision XVIII, entitled "Report of the Commission on Human Rights", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/154.

95. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of Morocco made a statement (see E/1985/SR.25).

96. Draft decision XIX, entitled "Right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 38 to 5, with 7 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/155. The voting was as follows: 7/

In favour: Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Haiti, Iceland, Indonesia, Japan, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zimbabwe.

Against: Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, India, Poland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Abstaining: Algeria, Congo, Finland, Lebanon, Mexico, Suriname, Uganda.

97. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (on behalf also of Bulgaria, the German Democratic Republic and Poland) and the observers for Viet Nam and the Lao People's Democratic Republic; after it was adopted, statements were made by the representative of Sweden and the observer for Democratic Kampuchea (see E/1985/SR.25).

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7/ The delegation of Zimbabwe subsequently indicated that its vote on the draft decision should have been recorded as an abstention and not as being in favour.

98. Draft decision XX, entitled "Material on human rights in Argentina", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/156.

99. After the adoption of the draft decision, the representatives of the United States of America and Costa Rica made statements (see E/1985/SR.25).

100. Draft decision XXI, entitled "Situation in southern Lebanon", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 29 to 1, with 18 abstentions. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/157. The voting was as follows:

In favour: Algeria, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Congo, Djibouti, Ecuador, German Democratic Republic, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Turkey, Uganda, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: Argentina, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Finland, France, Germany, Federal Republic of, Iceland, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela, Zaire.

101. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, Venezuela, Algeria and France and the observer for Israel; after it was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of Argentina and Ecuador (see E/1985/SR.25).

102. The representative of the United States of America made a statement concerning several of the draft resolutions and decisions adopted by the Council (see E/1985/SR.25).

#### B. Social development

103. The Council considered the question of social development at its first regular session of 1985 (agenda item 17). At its 7th plenary meeting, on 7 May 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Second (Social) Committee, which considered it at its 4th to 8th, 11th and 15th meetings, from 15 to 17 and on 21 and 24 May 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the situation of youth in the 1980s (A/40/64-E/1985/5);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress (A/40/65-E/1985/7 and Add.1);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on national experience in promoting the co-operative movement (A/40/78-E/1985/10);

(d) Letter dated 9 May 1985 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/40/298-E/1985/74);

(e) Report of the Committee on Crime Prevention and Control on its eighth session; 8/

(f) Progress report of the Secretary-General on national experiences in implementing the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons and related activities of the United Nations and other international organizations (E/1985/4);

(g) Report of the Secretary-General on the first review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Aging (E/1985/6 and Corr.1);

(h) Report of the Secretary-General on the social aspects of rural development (E/1985/8);

(i) Report of the Secretary-General on the impact of development on the institution of the family (E/1985/9 and Corr.1);

(j) Report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-ninth session; 9/

(k) Report of the Secretary-General on co-ordination and information in the field of youth (E/1985/42);

(l) Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment (E/1985/43);

(m) Note by the Secretary-General on the provisional rules of procedure for United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders (E/1985/L.23);

(n) Statement submitted by Amnesty International, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category II, with the Council (E/1985/NGO/1);

(o) 1985 report on the world social situation (E/CN.5/1985/2).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE SECOND (SOCIAL) COMMITTEE

104. At its 4th to 8th meetings, from 15 to 17 May, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 4th meeting, on 15 May, it heard introductory statements by the Assistant Secretary-General for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs and the Director of the General Analysis and Policies Division of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs.

105. At the 5th meeting, on 16 May, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, China, the German Democratic Republic and France and the observer for the Republic of Korea. The observer for the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category I, with the Council, also made a statement.

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8/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1984, Supplement No. 6 (E/1984/16).

9/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 4 (E/1985/24 and Corr.1).

106. At the 6th meeting, on 16 May, statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the five Nordic countries), Poland, Yugoslavia, the United States of America, Sweden and China.

107. At the 7th meeting, on 17 May, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Spain, Venezuela, the German Democratic Republic, Romania, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the observers for Cuba, Jamaica and the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic. The observer for the International Co-operative Alliance, a non-governmental organization in consultative status, category I, with the Council, also made a statement.

108. At the 8th meeting, on 17 May, a statement was made by the representative of Zimbabwe.

#### Recommendations contained in chapter I of the report of the Commission for Social Development

109. Chapter I of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its twenty-ninth session <sup>9/</sup> contained 10 draft resolutions recommended by the Commission for adoption by the Council, and two decisions of the Commission which called for action by the Council.

#### Ensuring the timely distribution of conference documents

110. At its 8th meeting, on 17 May, the Committee adopted draft resolution I, entitled "Ensuring the timely distribution of conference documents", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 158 below.

#### World social situation

111. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution II, entitled "World social situation", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 159 below.

#### National experience in promoting the co-operative movement

112. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution III, entitled "National experience in promoting the co-operative movement", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 160 below.

#### Youth in the contemporary world

113. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution IV, entitled "Youth in the contemporary world", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 161 below.



Welfare of migrant workers and their families

114. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution V, entitled "Welfare of migrant workers and their families", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 162 below.

International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations  
Development Decade

115. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VI, entitled "International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution VI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 163 below.

Interregional consultation on developmental social welfare  
policies and programmes

116. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VII, entitled "Interregional consultation on developmental social welfare policies and programmes", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution VII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 164 below.

Efforts and measures for securing the implementation and enjoyment  
by youth of human rights, particularly the rights to life,  
education and work

117. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VIII, entitled "Efforts and measures for securing the implementation and enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the rights to life, education and work", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution VIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 165 below.

First review and appraisal of the implementation of the  
International Plan of Action on Aging

118. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution IX, entitled "First review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Aging", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution IX). For action by the Council, see paragraph 166 below.

The family

119. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution X, entitled "The family", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution X). For action by the Council, see paragraph 167 below.

Nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations  
Research Institute for Social Development

120. At its 11th meeting, on 21 May, the Committee considered Commission decision I, entitled "Nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development" 10/ and decided to refer it to the Council for action (see chap. VIII below, para. 14).

Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirtieth session  
of the Commission for Social Development

121. At its 8th meeting, on 17 May, the Committee approved Commission decision II, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirtieth session of the Commission for Social Development", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 57, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 176 below.

Other draft proposals

Co-ordination and information in the field of youth

122. At the 7th meeting, on 17 May, the representative of Romania, on behalf of Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Chile, 11/ China, Colombia, the Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, 11/ France, the Gambia, 11/ the Federal Republic of Germany, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Italy, 11/ Japan, Malaysia, Malta, 11/ Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, 11/ the Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, 11/ the Philippines, 11/ Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, 11/ Suriname, Turkey, the United States of America, Venezuela, Yugoslavia and Zaire, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Co-ordination and information in the field of youth" (E/1985/C.2/L.1). Subsequently, Greece 11/ and Jamaica 11/ joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

123. At its 8th meeting, on 17 May, the Committee adopted the draft resolution and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96, para. 56, draft resolution XI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 168 below.

Social aspects of development

124. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, the representative of Poland, on behalf of Bulgaria, the German Democratic Republic, Mongolia, 11/ Poland, Togo, 11/ and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, 11/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "Social aspects of the right to development" (E/1985/C.2/L.2). In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of Poland orally revised it as follows:

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10/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 4 (E/1985/24 and Corr.1), chap. I, sect. B.

11/ In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

(a) The title of the draft resolution was revised to read "Social aspects of development";

(b) In the sixth preambular paragraph, the words "and political" were inserted between the words "social" and "order", and the words "and the respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms" were inserted between the words "economic progress" and "everywhere";

(c) The eighth to tenth preambular paragraphs, which read:

"Conscious of the fact that further social development contributes to peaceful coexistence, détente and the strengthening of international peace and security,

"Mindful of General Assembly resolutions in which the Assembly has declared that the right to development is an inalienable human right, 12/

"Recognizing that social aspects form an important part of the right to development",

were deleted;

(d) The last preambular paragraph, which read:

"Reaffirming the principle of the permanent sovereignty of developing countries over their natural resources and the right of each country to choose freely its political, economic and social system",

was replaced by the following:

"Reaffirming the principle that all peoples may, for their own ends, freely dispose of their natural wealth and resources without prejudice to any obligations arising out of international economic co-operation, based upon the principle of mutual benefit and international law";

(e) Operative paragraph 2, which read:

"2. Notes the efforts of the Commission on Human Rights to draft a comprehensive declaration on the human right to development",

was deleted and the following paragraphs were renumbered accordingly;

(f) In each of the remaining operative paragraphs, the words "the right to" were deleted.

125. At the same meeting, the representative of Saudi Arabia orally proposed an amendment by which the original text of the last preambular paragraph would be retained, with the deletion of the words "and the right of each country to choose freely its political, economic and social system".

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12/ General Assembly resolutions 34/46, 35/174, 36/133 and 39/145.

126. This proposal was not accepted by the sponsors, who, after informal consultations, further revised the draft resolution by deleting the last preambular paragraph.

127. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985, para. 56, draft resolution XII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 169 below.

128. After the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and Poland.

National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress

129. At the 11th meeting on 21 May, the representative of Mongolia 11/ on behalf of the Congo, Cuba, 11/ Mongolia, 11/ Nicaragua, 11/ Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic 11/ and Viet Nam, 11/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress" (E/1985/C.2/L.4). In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of Mongolia orally revised it as follows:

(a) In the seventh preambular paragraph, the words "as well as effective measures in the field of disarmament" after the words "among States" were deleted;

(b) The ninth preambular paragraph, which read:

"Reaffirming the sovereign and inalienable right of every State to choose its economic and social system in accordance with the will of its people, without outside interference in whatever form it might take",

was revised to read:

"Reaffirming the sovereign and inalienable right of all peoples freely to determine their political status and freely to pursue their economic, social and cultural development";

(c) Operative paragraph 6, which read:

"6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of the thirtieth session of the Commission for Social Development and of the first regular session of 1987 of the Economic and Social Council the item entitled "National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress" and to consider under that item the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General",

was revised to read:

"6. Requests the Commission for Social Development to consider at its thirtieth session the question of national experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress".

130. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by 46 votes to 1, with 3 abstentions, and submitted it to the Council

(E/1985/96, para. 56, draft resolution XIII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 170 below.

### Capital punishment

131. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, the representative of the Netherlands, on behalf of Austria, 11/ Colombia, Costa Rica, the Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, 11/ the Netherlands, Nicaragua, 11/ Portugal, 11/ Sweden and Uruguay, 11/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "Capital punishment" (E/1985/C.2/L.7). In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of the Netherlands orally revised it as follows:

(a) The fifth preambular paragraph, which read:

"Mindful of general comment 6 (16) of the Human Rights Committee, in which the Committee concluded that all measures of abolition of the death penalty should be considered as progress in the enjoyment of the right to life, 13/"

was deleted;

(b) In operative paragraph 1, the word "Urges" was replaced by the word "Invites";

(c) In operative paragraph 2, the word "Welcomes" was replaced by the words "Takes note of", the word "while" was deleted, and the words "while others have retained capital punishment" were added at the end of the paragraph;

(d) Operative paragraph 3, which read:

"3. Invites Member States which retain capital punishment to endeavour to adopt alternative sanctions",

was deleted.

132. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution XIV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 171 below.

133. Before the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Costa Rica made a statement. After it was adopted, the representatives of Saudi Arabia and the United States of America made statements.

### Implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development

134. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, the representative of Poland, on behalf of Argentina, the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, 11/ Mongolia, 11/ Poland, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic 11/ and Viet Nam, 11/ introduced a draft

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13/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 40 (A/37/40), annex V, para. 6.

resolution entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development" (E/1985/C.2/L.3), which read as follows:

"The Economic and Social Council

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

'The General Assembly,

'Recalling the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, 14/ based on the Charter of the United Nations and solemnly proclaimed on 11 December 1969,

'Recalling also its resolutions 2543 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969 and 34/59 of 29 November 1979 on the implementation of the Declaration,

'Recalling further its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 35/56 of 5 December 1980, containing the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, 33/48 of 14 December 1978 on world social development, 34/152 of 17 December 1979 and 37/54 of 3 December 1982 on the world social situation,

'Reaffirming the existence of a close link between development in all its aspects and peace and the urgent need to halt the arms race, thereby releasing human and material resources for economic and social development which could contribute to the well-being and prosperity for all,

'Bearing in mind that the ultimate aim of development is the constant improvement of the social situation of entire populations and ensuring their full participation in the process of development and the fair distribution of the benefits therefrom,

'Aware of the fact that fifteen years after the adoption and proclamation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, its main objectives, embodied also in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade, inter alia, elimination of unemployment, hunger, malnutrition and poverty, eradication of illiteracy, assurance of the right to universal access to culture, provision of health protection of the entire population, and provision of free, universal education at the primary level, have not yet been universally realized,

'Recalling that the United Nations emerged from the struggle against nazism, fascism, aggression and foreign occupation, and that the peoples expressed their resolve in the Charter of the United Nations to save future generations from the scourge of war and to promote economic and social progress of all peoples,

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14/ General Assembly resolution 2542 (XXIV).

'Fully conscious of the urgent need of intensifying the efforts by the international community and relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to achieve the objectives set forth in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development and in the International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade,

'1. Reaffirms the lasting validity and paramount importance of the principles and objectives proclaimed in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development;

'2. Urges all States, relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to apply the Declaration resolutely and in their policies, plans, programmes and the implementation machinery increasingly take into consideration the principles, objectives, means and methods of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development;

'3. Recommends further that Member States, international organizations and other bodies, in drafting international instruments, in particular in the field of social and economic development and human rights, take into consideration the provisions of the Declaration, as a momentous United Nations document in the area of social progress and development;

'4. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare a substantive report on possible ways and means of increasing the contribution of the relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to achieving the full realization of the principles and objectives contained in the Declaration on Social Progress and Development and to submit it, through the Commission for Social Development and the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its forty-second session;

'5. Further requests the Secretary-General to continue, in co-operation with Member States, to record, analyse and disseminate as widely as possible, significant national and international progress made towards realizing the commendable objectives contained in the Declaration and to provide the General Assembly, on a regular basis, in conjunction with the Report on the World Social Situation, with detailed information on the measures adopted by Member States and relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system for the realization of the Declaration and for the implementation of the present resolution.'

135. At the 15th meeting, on 4 May, the representative of Poland, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced a revised draft resolution (E/1985/C.2/L.3/Rev.1) which contained the following revisions:

(a) The fourth preambular paragraph was revised to read:

"Convinced that international peace and security on the one hand and social progress and economic development, on the other, are closely interdependent and influence each other";

(b) A new sixth preambular paragraph was inserted, which read:

"Reaffirming that social progress and development shall be founded on respect for the dignity and value of the human person and shall ensure the promotion of human rights and social justice";

(c) The penultimate preambular paragraph was revised to read:

"Recalling that the peoples of the United Nations expressed in the United Nations Charter their determination to save future generations from the scourge of war and to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom";

(d) In operative paragraph 1, the word "paramount" was deleted;

(e) In operative paragraph 2, the word "apply" was replaced by the words "take into consideration", and the words "as far as they are concerned" were inserted before the words "the principles";

(f) Operative paragraph 3 was revised to read:

"3. Urges all Governments to take into account the provisions of the Declaration in their bilateral and multilateral relations in the field of development";

(g) A new operative paragraph 4 was inserted, which read:

"4. Recommends that international organizations and agencies concerned with development should consider the Declaration as an important international document in the formulation of strategies and programmes designed to achieve social progress and development, and that it may be taken into consideration in the drafting of instruments that the United Nations may undertake in the field of social progress and development";

(h) In operative paragraph 4, now renumbered 5, the words "as far as they are concerned" were inserted between the words "United Nations system" and "to achieving";

(i) Former operative paragraph 5 was deleted and replaced by a new operative paragraph 6, which read:

"6. Further requests the Secretary-General to continue to inform the General Assembly, in a summary form in annexes to the reports on the world social situation, of the measures adopted by Governments - not included in other reports provided on a regular basis - and by the international organizations concerned for the realization of the provisions of the Declaration and for the implementation of the present resolution".

136. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the revised draft resolution and submitted it to the Council, see (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution XV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 173 below.



United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons

137. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, the representative of Canada, on behalf of Belgium, 11/ Canada, Costa Rica, Finland and Italy, 11/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons" (E/1985/C.2/L.5). Morocco, originally a sponsor, had withdrawn its sponsorship of the draft resolution. In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of Canada orally revised it as follows:

(a) Operative paragraph 1, which read:

"1. Notes with satisfaction the work being carried out by the special rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, in consultation with the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, on a study on the causal connections between serious violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms and disability, and requests the Sub-Commission to submit its views and recommendations, through the Commission on Human Rights, to the Economic and Social Council at its first regular session of 1986",

was deleted;

(b) Operative paragraph 3 was renumbered 1.

138. At the same meeting, the representative of Morocco orally proposed an amendment to operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution, by which the words "use existing resources in the best possible way in order to" would be deleted.

139. That proposal was not accepted by the sponsors.

140. The Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning and Co-ordination and the Director of the Budget Division made statements in response to questions raised regarding the administrative and programme budget implications of the proposed amendment.

141. Following a procedural debate in which the representatives of Morocco, Canada, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Mexico and the United States of America and the observers for Belgium and Italy took part, the representative of Morocco revised his amendment by proposing that only the word "existing" be deleted from operative paragraph 2.

142. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of Canada, on behalf of the sponsors, now joined by Morocco, introduced a revised draft resolution (E/1985/C.2/L.5/Rev.1), in which, in addition to the revisions made at the 11th meeting (see para. 137 above), operative paragraph 2, which read:

"2. Requests the Secretary-General to use existing resources in the best possible way in order to give more publicity to the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons proclaimed by the General Assembly as a long-term plan of action for the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons",

had been replaced by the following text:

"2. Requests the Secretary-General to pursue his efforts, with a view to ensuring optimal utilization of resources in order to give adequate publicity to the objectives of the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons proclaimed by the General Assembly as a long-term plan of action for the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons".

143. The representative of Canada further revised operative paragraph 2 by replacing the word "adequate" by the word "appropriate".

144. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the revised draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution XVI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 174 below.

145. At the same meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning and Co-ordination made a statement concerning the administrative and programme budget implications of the revised draft resolution.

146. After the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand and Mexico.

#### Progress of work of the Commission for Social Development

147. At the 11th meeting, on 21 May, the representative of Canada, on behalf of Canada, Denmark, 11/ France, Italy 11/ and the United States of America, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Progress of work of the Commission for Social Development and proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987" (E/1985/C.2/L.6), which read as follows:

##### "The Economic and Social Council,

"Recalling the terms of reference of the Commission for Social Development set forth in Economic and Social Council resolutions 10 (II) of 21 June 1946, 830 J (XXXII) of 2 August 1961 and 1139 (XLI) of 29 July 1966,

"Reaffirming the central role of the Commission for Social Development within the United Nations in considering matters relating to social development,

"Reaffirming that within the United Nations system the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat is the focal point for co-ordination, consultation, promotion and advice on matters relevant to social development,

"Recognizing the importance for the Commission for Social Development of exchanges of information on activities with other functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council with mandates in the social development sector, in particular the Commission on the Status of Women and the Population Commission,

"Concerned that the Commission should have available to it sufficient information on social development activities within the United Nations system to enable it to make an appropriate contribution towards the fulfilment of

overall development objectives, and to provide appropriate direction to the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs with respect to its work in the field of social development,

"Recalling the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 36/228 A and B of 18 December 1981, in which guidelines were laid down by which agencies in the United Nations system were to create mechanisms for the evaluation of their work, and in which the Secretary-General was requested to strengthen the United Nations evaluation system through a series of five separate actions, including self-evaluation,

"Recognizing that programmes in the field of social development are formulated within the framework of the medium-term plan, and of the biennial budgets established in accordance with that plan,

## I

"1. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission for Social Development at future sessions such details as may be available of the proposed programme budget for the forthcoming biennium so as to allow the Commission to propose informed ways and means of implementing programmes in the social sector;

"2. Further requests the Secretary-General in the implementation of the proposed programme budget for 1986-1987, to note the comments made by the Commission and to make appropriate adjustments to that proposed programme budget, within available resources;

## II

"3. Encourages the Secretary-General to take steps to ensure more effective co-operation and collaboration, without duplication of effort, between the Commission for Social Development and the Commission on the Status of Women, the Population Commission and other relevant bodies;

"4. Requests the Secretary-General to take all possible measures, within existing resources, to strengthen the Centre for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs in carrying out its responsibilities and to ensure an adequate flow of information on social development between the Centre at Vienna, the specialized agencies and the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs;

"5. Recommends that the Centre, in preparing its overview reports for the Commission for Social Development, should draw on information relating to the activities of the specialized agencies in the social development field and such other information as it considers appropriate;

## III

"6. Requests the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to evaluate, within the terms of reference of General Assembly resolutions 36/228 A and B, the impact of United Nations social development activities and to submit that evaluation to the Commission for Social Development at its thirtieth session."

148. In introducing the draft resolution, the representative of Canada orally revised it as follows:

(a) Operative paragraph 1 was replaced by the following text:

"1. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission for Social Development at future sessions such details as may be available of the proposed programme budget for the forthcoming biennium so as to allow the Commission to make recommendations on the programmes to be implemented in the social sector";

(b) Operative paragraph 4 was replaced by the following text:

"4. Requests the Secretary-General to take all possible measures, within existing resources, to ensure an adequate flow of information on social development within the United Nations system";

(c) Operative paragraph 6 was replaced by the following text:

"6. Requests the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to review the current evaluation timetable and to study the possibility of conducting an in-depth evaluation of the effectiveness, relevance and impact of United Nations social development activities, with a view to submitting it to the Commission for Social Development".

149. Also at the 11th meeting, the representative of Mexico orally proposed an amendment by which the words "within existing resources" in operative paragraph 4 would be deleted.

150. At the same meeting, the representative of India supported the proposal made by the representative of Mexico and orally proposed the following amendments to the draft resolution:

(a) The deletion of the words "within available resources" in operative paragraph 2;

(b) The replacement of the words "all possible measures" by the words "necessary measures" in operative paragraph 4.

151. The Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning and Co-ordination made a statement in response to questions raised regarding the administrative and programme budget implications of the proposed amendments.

152. At the 15th meeting, on 24 May, the representative of Canada, on behalf of the sponsors, introduced a revised draft resolution (E/1985/C.2/L.6/Rev.1), which contained the following revisions:

(a) The title of the draft resolution was revised to read "Progress of work of the Commission for Social Development";

(b) In the third preambular paragraph, the words "is the focal point for co-ordination, consultation, promotion and advice", were replaced by the words "has a major role to play";

(c) Operative paragraph 1 was further revised to read:

"1. Requests the Secretary-General to make available to the Commission for Social Development at future sessions such details as may be available of the proposed programme of work for the forthcoming biennium so as to allow the Commission to make recommendations on matters pertaining to the social sector to the appropriate intergovernmental bodies";

(d) Operative paragraph 2 was deleted;

(e) Operative paragraph 3 was renumbered 2 and revised to read:

"2. Encourages the Secretary-General to make available to the Economic and Social Council information on areas of complementarity among the work programmes of the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Population Commission and other relevant bodies, and to optimize the flow of information on social development within the United Nations system";

(f) Operative paragraph 4 was deleted;

(g) Operative paragraph 5 was renumbered 3;

(h) The revised text of operative paragraph 6 (see para. 148 (c) above) became operative paragraph 4.

153. The Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning and Co-ordination made a statement concerning the administrative and programme budget implications of the revised draft resolution.

154. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the revised draft resolution and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 56, draft resolution XVII). For action by the Council, see paragraph 175 below.

155. After the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Mexico made a statement.

Provisional rules of procedure for United Nations congresses on  
the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders

156. At its 11th meeting, on 21 May, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, adopted a draft decision entitled "Provisional rules of procedure for United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, para. 57, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 177 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

157. At its 23rd meeting, on 29 May, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the Second (Social Committee in its report (E/1985/96 and Corr.1, paras. 56 and 57)).

158. Draft resolution I, entitled "Ensuring the timely distribution of conference documents", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/20.
159. Draft resolution II, entitled "World social situation", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/21.
160. Draft resolution III, entitled "National experience in promoting the co-operative movement", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/22.
161. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Youth in the contemporary world", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/23.
162. Draft resolution V, entitled "Welfare of migrant workers and their families", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/24.
163. Draft resolution VI, entitled "International Development Strategy for the Third United Nations Development Decade", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/25.
164. Draft resolution VII, entitled "Interregional consultation on developmental social welfare policies and programmes", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/26.
165. Draft resolution VIII, entitled "Efforts and measures for securing the implementation and enjoyment by youth of human rights, particularly the rights to life, education and work", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/27.
166. Draft resolution IX, entitled "First review and appraisal of the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Aging", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/28.
167. Draft resolution X, entitled "The family", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/29.
168. Draft resolution XI, entitled "Co-ordination and information in the field of youth", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/30.
169. Draft resolution XII, entitled "Social aspects of development", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/31.
170. Draft resolution XIII, entitled "National experience in achieving far-reaching social and economic changes for the purpose of social progress", was adopted by a roll-call vote of 46 to 1, with 3 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/32. The voting was as follows: 15/

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15/ The delegation of Suriname subsequently indicated that, had it been present during the voting, it would have voted in favour of the draft resolution.

In favour: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Ecuador, Finland, France, German Democratic Republic, Guyana, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Romania, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Thailand, Turkey, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire and Zimbabwe.

Against: United States of America.

Abstaining: Canada, Germany, Federal Republic of, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

171. Draft resolution XIV, entitled "Capital punishment", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/33.

172. After the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Saudi Arabia made a statement (see E/1985/SR.23).

173. Draft resolution XV, entitled "Implementation of the Declaration on Social Progress and Development", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/34.

174. Draft resolution XVI, entitled "United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/35.

175. Draft resolution XVII, entitled "Progress of work of the Commission for Social Development", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/36.

176. Draft decision I, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirtieth session of the Commission for Social Development", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/133.

177. Draft decision II, entitled "Provisional rules of procedure for United Nations congresses on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/134.

#### Report of the Secretary-General on the social aspects of rural development

178. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the President, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General on the social aspects of rural development (E/1985/8). For the text of the decision, see Council decision 1985/135.

#### Report of the Commission for Social Development

179. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the President, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Commission for Social Development on its

twenty-ninth session. 16/ For the text of the decision, see Council decision 1985/136.

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180. After the draft resolutions and draft decisions were adopted, the representatives of the United States of America and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland made statements (see E/1985/SR.23).

### C. Narcotic drugs

181. The Council considered the question of narcotic drugs at its first regular session of 1985 (agenda item 18). At its 7th plenary meeting, on 7 May 1985, the Council allocated the item for the Second (Social) Committee, which considered it at its 1st to 4th meetings, from 13 to 15 May. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its thirty-first session; 17/

(b) Summary of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 1984 (E/1985/47);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the drug control activities carried out by the specialized agencies and other organizations and programmes concerned (E/1985/48).

182. The Council also had before it for information a note by the Secretary-General transmitting to the General Assembly the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Drug abuse control activities in the United Nations system" (A/39/646) and the comments thereon of the Secretary-General and of the executive heads of organizations concerned within the United Nations system (A/40/260, annexes I and II).

### ACTION TAKEN BY THE SECOND (SOCIAL) COMMITTEE

183. At its 1st to 4th meetings, from 13 to 15 May, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 1st meeting, it heard introductory statements by the Deputy Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs and the Executive Director of the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control. A statement on behalf of the President of the International Narcotics Control Board was read by the Deputy Director of the Division of Narcotic Drugs.

184. Also at the 1st meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, Turkey, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern

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16/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 4 (E/1985/24 and Corr.1).

17/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 3 (E/1985/23).



Ireland, Yugoslavia, New Zealand, Bulgaria and Sweden (on behalf of the five Nordic countries).

185. At the 2nd meeting, on 14 May, statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela, the German Democratic Republic, Poland, France, China and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the observers for Bolivia, Italy and Pakistan. A statement was also made by the representative of the World Health Organization. The Director of the Budget Division made a statement.

186. At the 3rd meeting, on 15 May, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Sri Lanka, India, the Federal Republic of Germany, Malaysia, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Indonesia and Colombia and the observers for the Bahamas, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Jamaica.

Recommendations contained in chapter I of the report of the  
Commission on Narcotic Drugs

187. Chapter I of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its thirty-first session 17/ contained seven draft resolutions and four draft decisions recommended for adoption by the Council. The administrative and programme budget implications of two of the draft resolutions were set out in annex II to the report.

Co-operation for the control of illicit drug trafficking  
and drug abuse in the African region

188. At its 4th meeting, on 15 May, the Committee adopted draft resolution I, entitled "Co-operation for the control of illicit drug trafficking and drug abuse in the African region", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution I). The programme budget implications of the draft resolution were set out in annex II, section A, to the report of the Commission. For action by the Council, see paragraph 201 below.

Measures against the diversion in international commerce of specific  
precursors, chemicals and solvents used in the illicit manufacture  
of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances

189. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution II, entitled "Measures against the diversion in international commerce of specific precursors, chemicals and solvents used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances" and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 202 below.

The need to reduce the risk of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs  
and psychotropic substances carried by commercial carriers

190. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution III, entitled "The need to reduce the risk of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances carried by commercial carriers", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 203 below.

Promotion of preventive education and community participation  
against drug abuse

191. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution IV, entitled "Promotion of preventive education and community participation against drug abuse" and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 204 below.

Improvement of the control of international trade in psychotropic  
substances listed in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention  
on Psychotropic Substances

192. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution V, entitled "Improvement of the control of international trade in psychotropic substances listed in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution V). For action by the Council, see paragraph 205 below.

Supply of and demand for opiates for medical  
and scientific needs

193. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VI, entitled "Supply of and demand for opiates for medical and scientific needs", by 26 votes to none, with 13 abstentions, 18/ and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution VI). For action by the Council, see paragraph 206 below.

Special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

194. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution VII, entitled "Special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 19, draft resolution VII). The programme budget implications of the draft resolution were set out in annex II, section B, to the report of the Commission. For action by the Council, see paragraph 207 below.

Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirty-second  
session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

195. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision I, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirty-second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 20, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 208 below.

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18/ The delegations of Costa Rica and Rwanda subsequently indicated that, had they been present during the voting, they would have voted in favour of the draft resolution.

Provisional agenda and documentation for the ninth special  
session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

196. In accordance with the decision taken by the Council at its 7th plenary meeting, on 7 May 1985 (see E/1985/SR.7), whereby the recommendations relating to the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1986 and 1987 would be dealt with during the Council's second regular session of 1985 in the context of its consideration of the calendar of conferences, the Committee did not consider draft decision II, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the ninth special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs". For action by the Council at its second regular session of 1985, see chap. VI, sect. F, below.

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board

197. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision III, entitled "Report of the International Narcotics Control Board" and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 20, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 209 below.

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

198. At its 4th meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision IV, entitled "Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/83, para. 20, draft decision III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 210 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

199. At the 21st meeting, on 24 May, the Secretary-General made a statement on the question of narcotic drugs (see E/1985/SR.21).

200. At its 22nd meeting, on 28 May, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the Second (Social) Committee in its report (E/1985/83, paras. 19 and 20).

201. Draft resolution I, entitled "Co-operation for the control of illicit drug trafficking and drug abuse in the African region", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/11.

202. Draft resolution II, entitled "Measures against the diversion in international commerce of specific precursors, chemicals and solvents used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/12.

203. Draft resolution III, entitled "The need to reduce the risk of illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances carried by commercial carriers" was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/13.

204. Draft resolution IV, entitled "Promotion of preventive education and community participation against drug abuse", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/14.

205. Draft resolution V, entitled "Improvement of the control of international trade in psychotropic substances listed in Schedules III and IV of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances", was adopted. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/15.

206. Draft resolution VI, entitled "Supply of and demand for opiates for medical and scientific needs", was adopted by 35 votes to none, with 15 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/16.

207. The Council decided to defer consideration of draft resolution VII, entitled "Special session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", to its second regular session of 1985.

208. Draft decision I, entitled "Provisional agenda and documentation for the thirty-second session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/128.

209. Draft decision II, entitled "Report of the International Narcotics Control Board", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/129.

210. Draft decision III, entitled "Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs", was adopted. For the final text, see Council decision 1985/130.

211. At the 23rd meeting, on 29 May, the representative of India made a statement on draft resolution VI (see E/1985/SR.23).

Statement of the Secretary-General on the  
question of narcotic drugs

212. At its 22nd meeting, on the proposal of the President, the Council decided to take note of the statement made by the Secretary-General at the 21st meeting on the question of narcotic drugs. For the text of the decision, see Council decision 1985/131.

## Chapter VI

### QUESTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION) COMMITTEE

#### A. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

1. The Council considered the question of special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 17). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee, which considered it at its 5th to 8th, 11th and 12th meetings, on 9, 10, 12 and 15 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Committee for Development Planning on its twenty-first and resumed twenty-first sessions; 1/

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Saharan region (E/1985/65);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Kiribati (E/1985/67);

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to Tuvalu (E/1985/68);

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator (E/1985/75).

2. Oral reports relating to special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance were made at the 5th meeting of the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee (see para. 3 below).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION) COMMITTEE

3. At its 5th to 8th meetings, on 9 and 10 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 5th meeting, on 9 July, the Committee heard oral reports on humanitarian assistance to refugees in Somalia, assistance to displaced persons in Ethiopia, the situation of refugees in the Sudan and assistance to student refugees in southern Africa made on behalf of the Secretary-General by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; on assistance to Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, the Comoros, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, the Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Mozambique, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Uganda and Vanuatu made on behalf of the Secretary-General by the representative of the Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Questions; and on the Second International Conference on Assistance to Refugees in Africa made on behalf of the Secretary-General by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the representatives of the

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1/ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 9 (E/1985/29).

Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Questions and the United Nations Development Programme.

4. Also at the 5th meeting, introductory statements were made by the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator and the representative of the United Nations Co-ordinator of Assistance for the Reconstruction and Development of Lebanon.
5. At the 6th meeting, on 9 July, statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand and the German Democratic Republic and the observer for Australia.
6. At the 7th meeting, on 10 July, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the Federal Republic of Germany, Djibouti, Somalia, Canada, Yugoslavia, Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the observers for Austria and Switzerland.
7. At the 8th meeting, on 10 July, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, France, China, Sweden (on behalf also of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Norway), the Netherlands, Bangladesh, Algeria, Ecuador and Turkey, and the observers for Ethiopia, the Sudan and Ghana. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement. The United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator also made a statement.

#### Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon

8. At the 11th meeting, on 12 July, the representative of Yugoslavia, on behalf of Bangladesh, Morocco, the Syrian Arab Republic <sup>2/</sup> and Yugoslavia, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon" (E/1985/C.3/L.4). Subsequently, Algeria, France and Somalia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.
9. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United States of America, Lebanon and Bulgaria.
10. At its 12th meeting, on 15 July, the Committee adopted the draft resolution and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/139, para. 13). For action by the Council, see paragraph 15 below.
11. Before the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of Lebanon and the United States of America. The observer for the League of Arab States also made a statement. After the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America.

#### Reports of the Secretary-General relating to special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

12. At its 11th meeting, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided to recommend the Council to take note of the reports of the Secretary-General on

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<sup>2/</sup> In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

assistance to Kiribati (E/1985/67) and on assistance to Tuvalu (E/1985/68) and to transmit those reports to the General Assembly at its fortieth session, and to take note of the reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the medium-term and long-term recovery and rehabilitation programme in the Sudano-Sahelian region (E/1985/65) and on the work of the Office of the United Nations Disaster Relief Co-ordinator (E/1985/75). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/139, para. 14, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 16 below.

Oral reports relating to special economic, humanitarian  
and disaster relief assistance

13. At its 11th meeting, the Committee, on the proposal of the Chairman, decided to recommend the Council to take note of the oral reports relating to special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance. The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/139, para. 14, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 17 below.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

14. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered the draft resolution and draft decisions recommended by the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee in its report (E/1985/139, paras. 13 and 14).

15. The Council adopted the draft resolution entitled "Assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon". For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/56.

16. The Council adopted draft decision I, entitled "Reports of the Secretary-General relating to special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance". For the final text, see Council decision 1985/184.

17. The Council adopted draft decision II, entitled "Oral reports relating to special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance". For the final text, see Council decision 1985/185.

B. Operational activities for development

18. The Council considered the question of operational activities for development at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 18). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee, which considered it at its 15th to 20th meetings, from 17 to 19 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration (DP/1985/46 and Add.1);

(b) Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries on its fourth session (DP/1985/48); 3/

(c) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/1985/L.41); 4/

(d) Extract from the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its organizational meeting for 1985 and its thirty-second session (E/1985/L.42 and Corr.1). 5/

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19. At its 15th to 18th meetings, on 17 and 18 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 15th meeting, on 17 July, it heard introductory statements by the representatives of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

20. Also at the 15th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America and New Zealand and the observer for Pakistan.

21. At the 16th meeting, on 17 July, statements were made by the representatives of India, the German Democratic Republic, Nigeria and Venezuela, and the observers for Norway (on behalf also of Denmark, Finland, Iceland and Sweden) and Liberia. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

22. At the 17th meeting, on 18 July, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Indonesia, Japan, France, the Federal Republic of Germany, China, Yugoslavia and Poland, and the observers for Belgium and Australia.

23. At the 18th meeting, on 18 July, statements were made by the representatives of Bulgaria, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Netherlands, Thailand and Mexico.

#### Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

24. At the 18th meeting, the representative of India, on behalf of Bangladesh, India and Pakistan 2/ introduced a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme" (E/1985/C.3/L.7), which read as follows:

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3/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 39 (A/40/39).

4/ For the final text, see Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 10 (E/1985/31).

5/ For the full report, see Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1985, Supplement No. 11 (E/1985/32).



"The Economic and Social Council,

"Having considered the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its organizational meeting for 1985 and its thirty-second session, particularly decision 85/16 on the fourth programming cycle and decision 85/17 on programming,

"1. Appeals to the donor countries and those in a position to do so to make every effort to increase their contributions to the United Nations Development Programme to the level of 14 per cent agreed to in the 1970 consensus and reaffirmed by the Governing Council in decision 80/30;

"2. Invites the Governing Council, at the review of Programme resources scheduled for June 1989, to consider the following:

"(a) The continuing relevance of the supplementary criteria and, if necessary, their further elaboration, including the need to make them more scientific and objective and to ensure transparency;

"(b) Any increase in the resources of the United Nations Development Programme should be distributed across the board in a percentage equal to the increase;

"3. Requests the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to submit to the Governing Council at its thirty-third session a detailed report on the total administrative and support costs, including, as far as possible, the proportion of expenditure devoted to programmes, co-ordination activities and administration."

25. At the 20th meeting, on 19 July, the representative of India withdrew the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors.

Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in  
connection with the question of operational activities  
for development

26. At its 19th meeting, on 19 July, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Economic and Social Council to take note of the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration (DP/1985/46 and Add.1), the report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries on its fourth session (DP/1985/48), thereport of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/1985/L.41) and the extract from the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its organizational meeting for 1985 and its thirty-second session (E/1985/L.42 and Corr.1). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/140, para. 10). For action by the Council, see paragraph 27 below.

## ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

27. At its 52nd meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted the draft decision entitled "Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of operational activities for development", recommended by the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee in its report (E/1985/140, para. 10). For the final text, see Council decision 1985/186.

### C. International co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system

28. The Council considered the question of international co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 19). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee, which considered it at its 12th to 15th, 19th and 20th meetings, from 15 to 17 and on 19 July 1985. The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Reporting to the Economic and Social Council" (A/39/281-E/1984/81 and Corr.1 and Add.1) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/39/281-E/1984/81/Add.2 and Corr.2; A/40/284-E/1985/71);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization on the progress made in implementing the Manila Declaration and the Acapulco Document on World Tourism (A/40/363-E/1985/97);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the cross-organizational programme analysis of the activities of the United Nations system in the area of economic and technical co-operation among developing countries (E/1985/53);

(d) Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1984/85 (E/1985/57);

(e) Report of the Secretary-General on economic and technical trends and developments in marine affairs (E/1985/79);

(f) Report of the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the Joint Meetings of the two Committees (E/1985/112);

(g) Note by the Secretary-General on the international year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa (E/1985/113);

(h) Telegram received on 24 May 1985 from the President of the thirteenth session of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/1985/120);

(i) Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its twenty-fifth session (E/1985/L.39); 6/

(j) Report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination entitled "Co-ordination of information systems in the United National system: register of development activities" (E/AC.51/1985/7).

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION) COMMITTEE

29. At its 12th to 14th meetings, on 15 and 16 July, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 12th meeting, on 15 July, it heard introductory statements by the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization and the Chief of the Ocean Economics and Technology Branch of the Department of International Economic and Social Affairs.

30. At its 13th meeting, on 16 July, it heard an introductory statement by the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination in his capacity as Co-Chairman of the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination.

31. At the 12th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf also of Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Bangladesh and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. The representative of the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Law of the Sea also made a statement.

32. At the 13th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Canada, Yugoslavia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the observer for Madagascar. The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

33. At the 14th meeting, on 16 July, statements were made by the representatives of the United States of America, Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), the Federal Republic of Germany, France, India, the German Democratic Republic, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Japan, and the observer for Denmark (on behalf also of Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden).

#### Economic and technical aspects of marine affairs

34. At the 15th meeting, on 17 July, the observer for Madagascar, on behalf of Algeria, Botswana, Colombia, France, Ghana, 2/ Madagascar, 2/ the Netherlands, Sri Lanka, the United Republic of Tanzania, 2/ Yugoslavia and Zimbabwe, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Economic and technical aspects of marine affairs" (E/1985/C.3/L.5). Subsequently, Canada, Liberia, 2/ and Morocco joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. In introducing the draft resolution, the observer for Madagascar orally revised it as follows:

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6/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/40/38).

(a) In operative paragraph 3, "1988" was replaced by "1989";

(b) In operative paragraph 4, "1986" was replaced by "1987" and the words "forty-first session" were replaced by the words "forty-second session".

35. At the 20th meeting, on 19 July, the observer for Madagascar, on behalf of the sponsors, further orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 2, the words "with appreciation" were deleted after the words "Takes note";

(b) In operative paragraph 4, the words "for the United Nations" were replaced by the words "for countries, with the support of the United Nations".

36. Following a discussion in which the representatives of Japan, Colombia, the United States of America, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and France and the observer for Madagascar took part, the representative of France, in accordance with rule 51 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, moved the closure of the debate on the draft resolution. The motion was carried by 36 votes to none.

37. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics expressed his regret that the sponsors of the draft resolution insisted on taking action on the draft resolution immediately, thus depriving some members of the Council from participating in the formulation of the text. His delegation had requested that informal or formal consultations should be held on the draft resolution, which was the customary practice in the Council and its sessional committees. The refusal to hold such consultations was, in his delegation's view, a departure from traditional, established procedures in the consideration of all proposals before the Council in good faith. The hasty action proposed by the sponsors did not promote a spirit of co-operation and mutual understanding in the Committee. In view of the above, and taking into account the fact that his delegation had not yet received instructions, it would not participate in the adoption of the draft resolution by consensus. His delegation accordingly reserved its position on the draft resolution until it was taken up in plenary meeting. He requested the inclusion of his statement in the report of the Committee.

38. The representatives of the German Democratic Republic, Bulgaria and Poland said that the statement made by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics reflected the position of their own delegations and requested that their position should be reflected in the report of the Committee.

39. The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 25, draft resolution I). For action by the Council, see paragraphs 54 to 57 below.

40. After the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of France and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination  
on the work of its twenty-fifth session

41. At its 19th meeting, on 19 July, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the

work of its twenty-fifth session" (E/1985/C.3/L.8), submitted by the Chairman of the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee on the basis of informal consultations.

42. At the 20th meeting, on 19 July, the Chairman orally revised operative paragraph 4 of section I of the draft resolution by deleting the phrase "on an equal footing with other resolutions of the Council and the Assembly" at the end of the paragraph.

43. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 25, draft resolution II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 59 below.

44. After the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, France, Bangladesh, the United States of America, Japan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Federal Republic of Germany.

#### Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination

45. At its 19th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination" (E/1985/C.3/L.9), submitted by the Chairman of the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee on the basis of informal consultations.

46. At its 20th meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 25, draft resolution III). For action by the Council, see paragraph 61 below.

#### Hiring and use of consultant services

47. At the 15th meeting, the representative of Bangladesh introduced a draft resolution entitled "Hiring and use of consultant services" (E/1985/C.3/L.6).

48. At the 20th meeting, the representative of Bangladesh orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

(a) The third preambular paragraph, which read:

"Stressing the need to take into account the principle of equitable geographical distribution in the hiring of consultants",

was replaced by the following preambular paragraphs:

"Noting the importance of taking into account the appropriate competence, knowledge and expertise of the consultants,

"Noting also the desirability of having as wide a geographical basis as possible in the hiring of consultants";

(b) In operative paragraph 2, the words "Requests the Secretary-General to provide" were replaced by the words "Requests the Secretary-General to continue to provide";

(c) Operative paragraph 3, which read:

"3. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on this question, including, inter alia, draft guidelines on the hiring and use of consultant services by the United Nations, for consideration by the General Assembly at its fortieth session",

was revised to read:

"3. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit, through the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Economic and Social Council, a detailed report on this question, including, inter alia, comments on the implementation of the existing guidelines on the hiring and use of consultant services by the United Nations, to the General Assembly at its forty-first session for consideration".

49. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, and submitted it to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 25, draft resolution IV). For action by the Council, see paragraph 62 below.

50. After the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Bangladesh made a statement.

Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of international co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system

51. At its 19th meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend the Council to take note of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Reporting to the Economic and Social Council" (see A/39/281-E/1984/81 and Corr.1 and Add.1) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/39/281-E/1984/81/Add.2 and Corr.1; A/40/284-E/1985/71); and the report of the Secretary-General of the World Tourism Organization on the progress made in implementing the Manila Declaration and the Acapulco Document on World Tourism (A/40/363-E/1985/97, annex). The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 26, draft decision I). For action by the Council, see paragraph 63 below.

International year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa

52. At its 19th meeting, following statements by the Chairman of the Committee and the representative of the United States of America, the Committee decided to recommend the Council to take note of the note by the Secretary-General on the international year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa (E/1985/113), and to request the Secretary-General to submit the proposals in respect of the international year,

requested by the General Assembly in resolution 38/198 of 20 December 1983, to the Council at its second regular session of 1985 for consideration and submission to the Assembly at its forty-first session. The recommendation was submitted to the Council (E/1985/141, para. 26, draft decision II). For action by the Council, see paragraph 64 below.

#### ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

53. At its 52nd meeting, on 26 July, the Council considered the draft resolutions and draft decisions recommended by the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee in its report (E/1985/141, paras. 25 and 26).
54. At the 52nd meeting, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics introduced an amendment (E/1985/L.54) to draft resolution I, entitled "Economic and technical aspects of marine affairs", which called for the insertion of the words "in accordance with the provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea" after the words "in the management of the exclusive economic zone and the development of its resources".
55. At the same meeting, the Council rejected, by 13 votes to 9 with 16 abstentions, the amendment proposed by the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.
56. Before the vote on the amendment, statements were made by the representatives of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Canada and the observer for Madagascar; after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Finland, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Colombia (see E/1985/SR.52).
57. The Council then adopted draft resolution I by 43 votes to none, with 4 abstentions. For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/75.
58. After the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics made a statement (see E/1985/SR.52).
59. The Council adopted draft resolution II, entitled "Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-fifth session". For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/76.
60. After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States of America (see E/1985/SR.52).
61. The Council adopted draft resolution III, entitled "Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination". For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/77.
62. The Council adopted draft resolution IV, entitled "Hiring and use of consultant services". For the final text, see Council resolution 1985/78.
63. The Council adopted draft decision I, entitled "Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of international co-operation and co-ordination within the United Nations system". For the final text, see Council decision 1985/198.



64. The Council adopted draft decision II, entitled "International year for the mobilization of financial and technological resources to increase food and agricultural production in Africa". For the final text, see Council decision 1985/199.

65. The representative of Canada made a statement (see E/1985/SR.52).

D. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987

66. The Council considered the question of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 at its second regular session of 1985 (agenda item 20). At its 28th plenary meeting, on 3 July 1985, the Council allocated the item to the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee, which considered it at its 9th, 11th, 19th and 20th meetings, on 11, 12, 19 and 20 July 1985. The Council had before it the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 (foreword and introduction and sects. 1, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6-24 and 27) 7/ and the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on its twenty-fifth session (E/1985/L.39). 8/

ACTION TAKEN BY THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND CO-ORDINATION) COMMITTEE

67. At its 9th and 11th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item. At its 9th meeting, it heard introductory statements by the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning and Co-ordination.

68. At the 11th meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Luxembourg (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations which are members of the European Economic Community), Indonesia, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Yugoslavia, Japan, India and Canada.

69. At its 19th meeting, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination on the work of its twenty-fifth session" (E/1985/C.3/L.8), which had been submitted under item 19 and which was also relevant to item 20.

70. At its 20th meeting, the Committee took action on that draft resolution (see paras. 41-44 above).

ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL

71. At its 52nd meeting, on 26 July, the Council took note of the report of the Third (Programme and Co-ordination) Committee on the question of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1986-1987 (E/1985/154).

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7/ To be issued as Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/40/6).

8/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Fortieth Session, Supplement No. 38 (A/40/38).