

Centre for Economic and Social Information of the Office of Public Information:<sup>29</sup>

(a) Successful information programmes in support of development may require the use of modern techniques, mass media and specialized personnel, in many cases will have to be unprecedented in approach, scope, diversity and initiative, and must encourage full understanding of the relevance, complexity and urgency, as well as the long-term nature, of the problems and processes of development;

(b) The mobilization of public opinion has to be the responsibility mainly of national bodies;

(c) The formulation of concrete aims by the competent authorities can make a significant contribution to the mobilization of public opinion;

(d) The role of the organizations of the United Nations system will be to assist the national information media and meet their varying needs, in particular by supplying adequate and appropriate basic information from which those media may draw both substance and inspiration for their work;

(e) Information from international sources will have to be aimed primarily at strengthening the sense of interdependence and partnership implicit in the concept of the Second United Nations Development Decade;

2. *Further endorses* in general the activities now being undertaken in support of the aims of the Second United Nations Development Decade, and notes with interest the proposals for future action outlined in the report of the Centre for Economic and Social Information of the Office of Public Information;

3. *Recommends* to the Secretary-General, in order to further the aims of Economic and Social Council resolution 1357 (XLV), that appropriate consultations at the technical level be pursued as soon as possible with representatives of the specialized agencies and other organizations dealing with the preparation and dissemination of information material, in order to explore the best means of co-ordinating and focusing the activities in support of the aims of the Second United Nations Development Decade;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consult with appropriate non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, in categories I and II and on the Roster, as to how those organizations could support the economic and social goals of the Second United Nations Development Decade, particularly through the mobilization of public opinion;

5. *Urges* Governments to give consideration, in the light of their individual circumstances, to the establishment of new national bodies designed to mobilize public opinion, or to the strengthening of existing ones, and, as a long-term measure, to give increasing development orientation to educational curricula.

*1832nd plenary meeting,  
13 December 1969.*

#### **2568 (XXIV). Proposed amendment to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly**

*The General Assembly*

*Defers sine die* consideration of the proposed amendment to the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

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recommended by the Economic and Social Council in resolution 1374 (XLV) of 2 August 1968.

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#### **2569 (XXIV). Special measures in favour of the land-locked developing countries**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2086 (XX) of 20 December 1965 on the transit trade of land-locked countries,

*Recalling further* resolution 11 (II) of 23 March 1968, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its second session, concerning the special problems of the land-locked countries,<sup>30</sup>

*Taking note* of resolution 50 (VIII) of 4 February 1969, adopted by the Trade and Development Board at its eighth session,<sup>31</sup> by which the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development was invited to convene a group of experts to carry out a comprehensive examination of the special problems involved in the promotion of the trade and economic development of the land-locked developing countries,

1. *Welcomes* the agreement reached in the Trade and Development Board whereby specific measures in favour of land-locked developing countries will be elaborated in the context of the contribution of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to the international development strategy;

2. *Requests* the Board to consider, on the basis, *inter alia*, of the report to be submitted by the group of experts, the adoption of practical measures for the implementation of all the provisions of resolution 11 (II) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;

3. *Urges* all States Members of the United Nations, particularly the developed countries, to make an active contribution to the elaboration of those specific measures;

4. *Further urges* all Member States which were invited to become parties to the 1965 Convention on Transit Trade of Land-locked States<sup>32</sup> that have not yet done so to investigate the possibilities of ratifying or acceding to that Convention and to make it effective at the earliest possible date.

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13 December 1969.*

#### **2570 (XXIV). United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2402 (XXIII) of 13 December 1968, in which it drew the attention of the States members of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to the tasks which remained

<sup>30</sup> *Proceedings of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Second Session*, vol. 1 and Corr.1 and 3 and Add.1 and 2, *Report and Annexes* (United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.68.II.D.14), p. 30.

<sup>31</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/7616)*, p. 72.

<sup>32</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 597 (1961), No. 8641.