

**2823 (XXVI). Report of the Special International Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization**

*The General Assembly,*

Recalling its resolution 2638 (XXV) of 19 November 1970, in which it convened the Special International Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to deal with the long-range strategy and orientation of that organization's activities, including its role in the Second United Nations Development Decade and the transfer and adaptation of technology for the industrial development of the developing countries, the organizational structure of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and questions of its financing,

Bearing in mind the leading role of industrialization in the economic and social progress of the developing countries, as well as the central role and the responsibility of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in reviewing and promoting the co-ordination of all activities of the United Nations system in the field of industrial development, as established in paragraph 27 of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966,

Convinced that the successful achievement of the tasks assigned to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in the field of promoting the industrialization of the developing countries, in connexion with the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, contained in General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, is only possible if the efforts and resources of that organization and the resources of other appropriate organizations of the United Nations system entrusted with the financing of industrial development are concentrated on priorities indicated in a clearly defined long-term strategy for its activities,

Taking note of Economic and Social Council resolution 1635 (LI) of 30 July 1971, by which the Council transmitted the report of the Special International Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,<sup>36</sup> together with the comments of delegations,<sup>37</sup> to the General Assembly at its twenty-sixth session,

Taking note of the report of the Industrial Development Board on the work of its fifth session,<sup>38</sup>

1. *Endorses* the resolution of consensus on long-range strategy, structure and financing of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, adopted by the Special International Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on 8 June 1971,<sup>39</sup> and takes note of the report of the Conference and the views of Member States contained in it, as well as of the corrigendum to the report<sup>40</sup> and the views expressed thereon;

2. *Commends* the guidelines contained in section I of the resolution as an adequate framework for drafting the long-range strategy of the activities of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take immediate action to appoint a small group of high-level experts from the various geographical groups, chosen in consultation with their respective Governments, to carry out the important task of formulating, in accordance with the guidelines set out in section I of the above-mentioned resolution, bearing in mind the one referring to special consideration of the industrialization needs of the least developed among the developing countries, the long-range strategy for the activities of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, and to submit their final report to the Industrial Development Board as soon as possible and, at any rate, in time for consideration at its seventh session;

4. *Requests* the Industrial Development Board to propose to the General Assembly, in due time, the necessary measures for convening another general conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in 1974 or 1975, as appropriate, and to make recommendations for a provisional agenda, keeping in mind the need to review the progress of industrialization during the Second United Nations Development Decade;

5. *Recommends* that the Industrial Development Board, at its sixth session, should take action in accordance with section II, paragraph 9, of the resolution of consensus and set up as its subsidiary organ a permanent committee of the Board with the terms of reference established therein;

6. *Considers* it desirable that the United Nations Industrial Development Organization should have greater autonomy in administrative matters, including the recruitment of personnel and management of its publications programme;

7. *Expresses its satisfaction* at the initiative taken by the Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 1617 (LI) of 27 July 1971, to ensure that special attention should be given by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, in accordance with the priorities assigned by the developing countries, to the requests for assistance made in the field of industrial development, in particular by the least developed among the developing countries, and including industrial technological development and industrial pilot projects;

8. *Urges* the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme to plan the level of its programme reserve in such a way that a minimum of \$2 million may be retained annually for financing the Special Industrial Services programme, and that additional resources be provided in the light of future requirements based on demonstrated needs;

9. *Requests* the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme to give, among the global projects mentioned in paragraphs 21 to 26 of the consensus adopted on 30 June 1970 by the Governing Council of the Programme at its tenth session,<sup>41</sup> particular attention to projects within the sphere of industrial technological development;

10. *Invites* the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to extend full co-operation to regional industrial conferences held at the ministerial or other levels under the auspices of the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut in order to

<sup>36</sup> ID/SCU/4 and Corr.1-3; transmitted to the members of the General Assembly by a note of the Secretary-General under the symbol A/8341 and Corr.1. A revised version of the report (ID/SCU/4/Rev.1) was subsequently issued under the symbol A/8341/Rev.1.

<sup>37</sup> See E/AC.6/SR.538 and 539.

<sup>38</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/8416 and Corr.1).*

<sup>39</sup> A/8341 and Corr.1, para. 46, resolution ID/SCU/Res.1.

<sup>40</sup> A/8341/Corr.1.

<sup>41</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-ninth Session, Supplement No. 6A (E/4884/Rev.1), chap. V, annex.*

facilitate greater regional co-ordination of industrial development policies;

11. *Decides* to set up an *Ad Hoc* Committee on Co-operation between the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization composed of those Member States whose representatives are serving as officers of the Governing Council of the Programme and the Industrial Development Board<sup>42</sup> to examine in detail, in consultation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, all aspects of co-operation between the two organizations, especially those related to the formulation, appraisal and approval of industrial projects, and to submit a report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council, together with the comments of the Governing Council of the Programme and those of the Industrial Development Board;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to convene the *Ad Hoc* Committee at an early date in New York and to extend to it all the necessary facilities and assistance;

13. *Calls upon* the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in co-operation with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and with the regional economic commissions and the United Nations Economic and Social Office at Beirut, to assist the developing countries, especially the least developed among them, to take full advantage of the benefits of the generalized system of preferences for manufactures and semi-manufactures;

14. *Invites* the Executive Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to review the organization and the structure of its secretariat, with a view to adapting it to the changing needs of the work programme in the light of the International Development Strategy and, in particular, to the needs for effective implementation of the operational activities of the organization, and to submit appropriate reports and proposals thereon to the Industrial Development Board;

15. *Recommends* that, as part of the preparatory work for the next general conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Industrial Development Board should keep under consideration the proposals submitted to the Special International Conference on such changes and improvements as might be necessary, pursuant to paragraph 37 of General Assembly resolution 2152 (XXI), in order to meet fully the growing needs in the field of industrial development.

*2021st plenary meeting,  
16 December 1971.*

**2824 (XXVI). Revision of the lists of States eligible for membership in the Industrial Development Board**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* section II, paragraph 4, of its resolution 2152 (XXI) of 17 November 1966 on the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

<sup>42</sup> The *Ad Hoc* Committee is composed of the following Member States: Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Denmark, Ghana, Hungary, India, Italy, Mexico and Uganda.

*Decides* to include Bahrain, Bhutan, Oman, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates in list A of the annex to its resolution 2152 (XXI).<sup>43</sup>

*2021st plenary meeting,  
16 December 1971.*

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*As a result of the above resolution, the lists of States eligible for membership in the Industrial Development Board will be as follows:*

**A. LIST OF STATES INDICATED IN SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 4 (a), OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2152 (XXI)**

Afghanistan	Maldives
Algeria	Mali
Bahrain	Mauritania
Bhutan	Mauritius
Botswana	Mongolia
Burma	Morocco
Burundi	Nepal
Cameroon	Niger
Central African Republic	Nigeria
Ceylon	Oman
Chad	Pakistan
China	People's Democratic Republic of Yemen
Congo	Philippines
Dahomey	Qatar
Egypt	Republic of Korea
Equatorial Guinea	Republic of Viet-Nam
Ethiopia	Rwanda
Fiji	Saudi Arabia
Gabon	Senegal
Gambia	Sierra Leone
Ghana	Singapore
Guinea	Somalia
India	South Africa
Indonesia	Sudan
Iran	Swaziland
Iraq	Syrian Arab Republic
Israel	Thailand
Ivory Coast	Togo
Jordan	Tunisia
Kenya	Uganda
Khmer Republic	United Arab Emirates
Kuwait	United Republic of Tanzania
Laos	Upper Volta
Lebanon	Western Samoa
Lesotho	Yemen
Liberia	Yugoslavia
Libyan Arab Republic	Zaire
Madagascar	Zambia
Malawi	
Malaysia	

**B. LIST OF STATES INDICATED IN SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 4 (b)**

Australia	Iceland
Austria	Ireland
Belgium	Italy
Canada	Japan
Cyprus	Liechtenstein
Denmark	Luxembourg
Federal Republic of Germany	Malta
Finland	Monaco
France	Netherlands
Greece	New Zealand
Holy See	Norway
	Portugal

<sup>43</sup> For the other changes in the lists since the adoption of resolution 2152 (XXI), see resolutions 2385 (XXIII) of 19 November 1968, 2510 (XXIV) of 21 November 1969 and 2637 (XXV) of 19 November 1970.