

Article 13

Irrespective of the notifications made under article 8, paragraph 5, of the present Protocol, the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall inform all States referred to in article 48, paragraph 1, of the Covenant of the following particulars:

- (a) Signatures, ratifications and accessions under article 8;
- (b) The date of the entry into force of the present Protocol under article 9 and the date of the entry into force of any amendments under article 11;
- (c) Denunciations under article 12.

Article 14

1. The present Protocol, of which the Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, shall be deposited in the archives of the United Nations.

2. The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall transmit certified copies of the present Protocol to all States referred to in article 48 of the Covenant.

B*The General Assembly,*

Considering that the text of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, the text of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the text of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights should be made known throughout the world,

1. *Requests* the Governments of States and non-governmental organizations to publicize the text of these instruments as widely as possible, using every means at their disposal, including all the appropriate media of information;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the immediate and wide circulation of these instruments and, to that end, to publish and distribute the text thereof.

*1496th plenary meeting,
16 December 1966.*

C*The General Assembly,*

Considering the advisability of the proposals for the establishment of national commissions on human rights or the designation of other appropriate institutions to perform certain functions pertaining to the observance of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,

1. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council to request the Commission on Human Rights to examine the question in all its aspects and to report, through the Council, to the General Assembly;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to invite Member States to submit their comments on the question, in order that the Commission on Human Rights may take these comments into account when considering the proposals.

*1496th plenary meeting,
16 December 1966.*

2214 (XXI). United Nations Children's Fund*The General Assembly,*

Taking the opportunity of the twentieth anniversary of the United Nations Children's Fund to congratulate Governments, organizations and individuals on their

support of and partnership with the Fund in its two decades of significant contribution to the well-being of children throughout the world and to international solidarity,

Recognizing the value of aid from the United Nations Children's Fund in helping developing countries accelerate and improve the operation of services benefiting children,

Noting with approval that the United Nations Children's Fund is helping Governments, as part of their national development plans and programmes, not only to protect their children and young people, but to ensure that they receive a suitable preparation for making their contribution to the economic and social progress of their countries,

Welcoming the fact that the training of national personnel in services benefiting children is now one of the major features of aid from the United Nations Children's Fund,

Commending the continued close co-operation between the United Nations Children's Fund and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat and the relevant technical and other agencies in the United Nations family,

Deeply concerned, however, at the magnitude of the unmet needs of children and youth in the developing countries and the ever-increasing demands on the resources of the United Nations Children's Fund,

Noting with approval the support in the Economic and Social Council and the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund for an income goal of \$50 million to be reached by the end of 1969, at the close of the United Nations Development Decade,

1. *Endorses* the activities and objectives of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. *Urges* Governments to increase their contributions to the United Nations Children's Fund and calls upon supporting organizations, groups and individuals to intensify their efforts so that the new income goal may be reached;

3. *Recommends* that Governments should include projects to meet the needs of children and youth in their over-all development plans.

*1498th plenary meeting,
19 December 1966.*

2215 (XXI). World social situation*The General Assembly,*

Reaffirming the solemn undertaking embodied in the Charter of the United Nations to promote economic and social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

Recalling its resolutions 1916 (XVIII) of 5 December 1963 and 2035 (XX) of 7 December 1965,

Noting again with deep concern that, despite past efforts, the world social situation is far from satisfactory,

Noting that progress in the achievement of the goals and objectives set for the United Nations Development Decade has been disappointingly slow,

Recognizing the importance of concerted practical action in the social field for attaining the goals of the United Nations Development Decade,