

Reaffirming that the possibility and advisability of proclaiming a charter of development underlying international co-operation in the interests of economic, social and cultural development deserve further consideration,

Reaffirming also that it is necessary to look ahead to the next decade so that concerted international action will be taken for the accelerated social and economic development of the developing countries in the light of the experience gained during the present United Nations Development Decade and with due regard to safeguarding their economic interests,

Stressing the importance of intensifying the preparatory work for the next decade with a view to having, before the end of the present decade, a clear and comprehensive picture of the specific goals and targets to be attained by the international community in a common endeavour towards the accelerated economic and social development of the developing countries,

Taking into account the fact that the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will consider at its second session the major problems of trade and development which will have an important bearing on the preparations for the next decade,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to expedite the preparation of the survey requested of him in General Assembly resolution 2218 A (XXI) and to submit the survey to the Assembly at its twenty-third session through the Economic and Social Council at its forty-fifth session;

2. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Committee for Development Planning and the organizations in the United Nations system, and on the basis of the results of the second session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to incorporate suggestions on the appropriate means of harmonizing measures that could be considered by international organizations, on the one hand, and by developing and developed countries, on the other, in the preliminary framework of an international development strategy being prepared by him in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 2218 B (XXI) for submission to the Assembly at its twenty-third session, with due regard to safeguarding the economic interests of the developing countries;

3. *Urges* Member States to consider taking appropriate steps to intensify national and international efforts to formulate and implement a dynamic international policy for the economic and social development of the developing countries to be pursued during the next decade;

4. *Stresses* the importance of enlisting the support of world public opinion in favour of the policies and objectives to be pursued during the next decade and, towards this end, the desirability for national and international public information media to take the necessary steps in seeking the active co-operation and support of the general public in the fulfilment of these objectives;

5. *Decides* to consider at its twenty-third session the appropriate procedures to be followed for proclaiming the 1970's as a second United Nations Development Decade and for approving a programme of action within the framework of an international development strategy for that decade.

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13 December 1967.*

2306 (XXII). International Education Year

The General Assembly,

Recalling the Secretary-General's appraisal in his report entitled "United Nations Development Decade at mid-point",³⁰ and in particular his emphasis on the development of human resources as the greatest potential resource of any country,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1274 (XLIII) of 4 August 1967 on the development and utilization of human resources,

Recognizing the urgent need for a more effective mobilization of efforts in education and training as an essential element of a successful strategy of international development,

Recognizing further the fundamental importance of education as a means of widening man's horizons, improving mutual understanding and strengthening international peace,

Convinced that an international education year on the basis of appropriate planning would serve throughout the world to mobilize energies and inspire initiatives in education and training,

1. *Decides* to observe an International Education Year and provisionally designates the year 1970 for this purpose, subject to review at the twenty-fourth session of the General Assembly, in the light of the preparatory work;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to consult with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and other interested specialized agencies in preparing a programme of activities to be undertaken or initiated by Member States, by the United Nations and by the specialized agencies, particularly the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and by other interested intergovernmental bodies, in order to initiate those world-wide activities in education which constitute the purpose of the International Education Year;

3. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to submit a progress report to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session, through the Economic and Social Council at its forty-fifth session, so that the Assembly may decide, on the basis of those preparations, on the proclamation of the International Education Year.

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2317 (XXII). The role of the Economic Commission for Europe in the development of international economic co-operation

The General Assembly,

Referring to the declaration adopted by the commemorative meeting of the Economic Commission for Europe to celebrate the Commission's twentieth anniversary,³¹ in which representatives of the Governments participating in the work of the Commission expressed the belief that the situation now presenting itself in the region of that Commission called for active work and joint efforts in developing further the co-operation within the Commission's framework which was in the interests of all nations,

³⁰ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-ninth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 2, document E/4071. This report was subsequently issued in English as a United Nations publication (Sales No.: 65.I.26).

³¹ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (E/4329), para. 260.*