

2333 (XXII). Creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2062 (XX) of 16 December 1965 relating to the creation of the post of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 1237 (XLII) of 6 June 1967, in which the Council endorsed the recommendation to the General Assembly contained in the draft resolution proposed by the Commission on Human Rights,⁶ and Economic and Social Council resolution 1238 (XLII) of 6 June 1967 on the same subject,

Regretting that, despite its decision at the 1498th plenary meeting, held on 19 December 1966, to approve the Third Committee's recommendation that the consideration of agenda item 61 should be postponed to the twenty-second session, the consideration of this question has not been possible at the present session owing to the heavy programme of work,

1. *Decides* to give high priority, in accordance with the aforementioned resolutions and decisions, to the consideration of this question at its twenty-third session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly at its twenty-third session with all the relevant information prepared in conformity with the resolutions of the Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Rights on this matter.

*1638th plenary meeting,
18 December 1967.*

2334 (XXII). Capital punishment

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1396 (XIV) of 20 November 1959 and 1918 (XVIII) of 5 December 1963 on the question of capital punishment,

Noting that the heavy agenda of the Commission on Human Rights at its recent sessions has not permitted it to study the report entitled *Capital Punishment*,⁷ and that therefore the Secretary-General could not present to the General Assembly the report called for in paragraph 3 of resolution 1918 (XVIII),

Noting also Economic and Social Council resolution 1243 (XLII) of 6 June 1967 transmitting a draft resolution, submitted by the delegations of Sweden and Venezuela, for a decision by the General Assembly as to what further steps should be taken in the matter,

Regretting that the workload at its twenty-second session has not permitted the General Assembly to consider the substance of the item on capital punishment,

1. *Decides* to consider the question of capital punishment at its twenty-third session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly at that session with pertinent information prepared in the light of Assembly resolution 1918 (XVIII);

⁶ See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/4322 and Corr.1)*, chapter XVIII, draft resolution IV.

⁷ United Nations publication, Sales No.: 62.IV.2.

3. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council:

(a) To instruct the Commission on Human Rights to consider the question of capital punishment, including the draft resolution submitted by the Council in resolution 1243 (XLII), and to transmit its recommendations on the matter through the Council to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session;

(b) To seek the views of the Consultative Group on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders concerning the draft resolution submitted by the Council in resolution 1243 (XLII), requesting the Secretary-General to transmit these views to the General Assembly at its twenty-third session.

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2335 (XXII). United Nations Children's Fund

The General Assembly,

Having considered chapter XI, section IV, of the report of the Economic and Social Council,⁸ dealing with the United Nations Children's Fund,

Welcoming the fact that the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund had reviewed the assistance policies of the Fund, which are focused not only on the immediate needs of children but also on preparing children to contribute to the social and economic development of their countries,

Noting with approval that the United Nations Children's Fund continues to provide emergency aid to children and mothers in situations of urgent need, while placing increasing emphasis on long-term programmes,

Noting that co-operation between the United Nations Children's Fund and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Division of Human Rights of the United Nations Secretariat, the specialized agencies and the relevant technical and other agencies in the United Nations family continues to be close,

1. *Endorses* the policies and programmes of the United Nations Children's Fund;

2. *Congratulates* the United Nations Children's Fund on the occasion of its twenty-first anniversary;

3. *Commends* the United Nations Children's Fund for its very substantial and significant achievements during its twenty-one years of operation, particularly on behalf of the children of the developing countries;

4. *Expresses the hope* that the United Nations Children's Fund's goal of \$50 million income from voluntary contributions by Governments and private sources will be attained by the end of 1969, thus enabling the Fund to continue the constructive work which merited for it the award of the Nobel Peace Prize for 1965.

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2336 (XXII). Freedom of information

The General Assembly,

Considering that because of its heavy agenda the Third Committee was unable to consider the draft Convention on Freedom of Information and the draft Declaration on Freedom of Information at the twenty-second session,

⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Twenty-second Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/6703 and Corr.1)*.