3. Invites the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund to consider this matter in depth at its next session and to submit a report, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its thirty-first session.

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3409 (XXX). Unified approach to development analysis and planning

The General Assembly,

Taking into account the importance of the aims and policies recommended in its resolutions 2626 (XXV) of 24 October 1970, containing the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade, 2542 (XXIV) of 11 December 1969, containing the Declaration on Social Progress and Development, 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, and 3362 (S-VII) of 16 September 1975 on development and international economic co-operation,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolution 1747 (LIV) of 16 May 1973, which contains recommendations concerning the unified approach to development analysis and planning by the Governments of various countries,

Taking note of the report of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, ¹⁹ containing a definition of a unified approach to development analysis and planning, and of the report by the Joint Inspection Unit²⁰ on the feasibility of applying a unified approach in the work of the regional commissions,

Believing that unified planning at the national level is one of the most effective tools to promote economic, social and human development and to provide increasing opportunities to all people for a better life,

Reaffirming that each State has the sovereign and inalienable right to choose its economic and social system in accordance with the will of its people without outside interference,

- 1. Considers it appropriate to regard a unified approach to development analysis and planning at the national level covering all sectors of the national economy, public and private, as a means for the attainment of balanced social, economic and human development;
- 2. Believes that the application of a unified approach is connected with carrying out basic social and economic structural changes;
- 3. Recognizes that, among other measures, strengthening of the public sector will contribute to effective national planning;
- 4. Invites Governments to take account of the provisions of Economic and Social Council resolution 1747 (LIV) in the application of a unified approach to development analysis and planning;
- 5. Endorses the application of a unified approach to development analysis and planning in the regional commissions and other United Nations bodies concerned;

- 6. Commends the Secretary-General for his efforts to integrate the activities related to the social and economic aspects of development within the Secretariat;
 - 7. Requests the Secretary-General:
- (a) To continue to study the question of a unified approach to development analysis and planning with a view to preparing proposals for action-oriented guidelines thereon;
- (b) To prepare a report on the application by Governments of a unified approach to development analysis and planning in conjunction with the preparation of a report by the Secretary-General for the next biennial review and appraisal of progress in the implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Second United Nations Development Decade as provided in General Assembly resolution 2626 (XXV), taking into account the contributions made in this regard by recent major United Nations conferences;
- (c) To submit that report to the Commission for Social Development at its twenty-fifth session and to the Committee for Development Planning at its thirteenth session for their analysis and appropriate recommendations;
- 8. Requests that the report mentioned in paragraph 7 (b) and (c) above be fully taken into account in carrying out the biennial review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy;
- 9. Invites the Secretary-General to prepare, in consultation with the Director of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, suggestions for pilot projects on the practical application of a unified approach to development, taking into account the reports mentioned in the third preambular paragraph above, and to submit these suggestions to the Economic and Social Council at its sixty-first session;
- 10. Requests the Economic and Social Council to analyse and appraise the progress made in this field in conjunction with its review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy at its sixty-third session;
- 11. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-second session the item entitled "Unified approach to development analysis and planning", with a view to considering the economic as well as the social aspects of that question.

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3434 (XXX). Dissemination of information and mobilization of public opinion regarding the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 3327 (XXIX) of 16 December 1974 establishing the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation as from 1 January 1975,

Convinced that the dissemination of information and the mobilization of public opinion among Member States would be an important factor in creating greater awareness of the problems of human settlements and would thus promote the increased efforts required in the sphere of international co-operation,

Reiterating the importance of publicity as an instrument for furthering the aims and purposes of the Foundation,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to stimulate and intensify efforts to mobilize public opinion in all coun-

¹⁹ See E/CN.5/519.

²⁰ See E/5430.