

**1997/201. Provisional agenda for the substantive session of 1997 of the Economic and Social Council**

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1997, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed programme of work for 1997 and 1998,<sup>1</sup> approved the following provisional agenda for its substantive session of 1997:

**1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

*High-level segment*

**2. Fostering an enabling environment for development: financial flows, including capital flows; investment; trade**

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1996/310)

*World Economic and Social Survey, 1997*

*Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment*

**3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation**

**(a) Coordination of activities on a system-wide basis: funding for operational activities for development: implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227**

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1996/310)<sup>2</sup>

**(b) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly**

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General (General Assembly resolutions 50/120 and 50/227, annex I, paras. 9–11, and Council resolution 1996/42)

Addendum to the above containing comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for the year 1995

Addendum to the above on capacity-building: conceptual and operational issues

Addendum to the above on regional dimensions of operational activities for development

**(c) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme**

*For action*

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (General Assembly resolution 50/8 and Council resolution 1995/51)

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General on issues arising from the Executive Boards of United Nations funds and programmes, including their overall financial picture

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Programme (General Assembly resolution 48/162)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolution 48/162)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (General Assembly resolution 48/162)

**(d) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries**

*For discussion*

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries on its tenth session (General Assembly resolution 33/134)

*Coordination segment*

**4. Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes:**

**(a) Mainstreaming the gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system**

<sup>1</sup> E/1997/1.

<sup>2</sup> Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1996/310)

- (b) *Freshwater, including clean and safe water supply and sanitation*

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1996/310)

*General segment*

5. *Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the major international United Nations conferences and summits*

*For discussion*

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the agreed conclusions of the 1996 coordination segment of the Council on the eradication of poverty

Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (Council resolution 1996/36, para. 3)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the outcome of the World Food Summit (General Assembly resolutions 50/109 and 51/171)<sup>2</sup>

6. *Coordination, programme and other questions*

- (a) *Reports of coordination bodies*

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1996, including the report of the Committee on expenditures of the United Nations system in relation to programmes (Council resolution 13 (III) and decision 1980/103)

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-seventh session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

- (b) *Multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1995/62)

- (c) *International cooperation in the field of informatics*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1996/35)

- (d) *Coordination of the activities of the organizations of the United Nations system in the field of energy*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1996/44)<sup>2</sup>

- (e) *Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome*

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (Council resolution 1996/47)

- (f) *Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998–1999*

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998–1999<sup>2</sup>

- (g) *Calendar of conferences in the economic, social and related fields*

Draft calendar of conferences in the economic, social and related fields for the biennium 1998–1999

Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of conference services by the Economic and Social Council (General Assembly resolution 51/211 C)

- (h) *United Nations University*

Report of the Council of the United Nations University for 1996 (General Assembly resolutions 3081 (XXVIII) and 39/217, annex I)<sup>2</sup>

- (i) *Proclamation of international years*

Letter dated 30 January 1997 from the Permanent Representative of the Kyrgyz Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General concerning the proclamation of the year 2000 as the international year of mountains (E/1997/3)

Letter dated 5 February 1997 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General concerning the proclamation of the year 2001 as the international year of volunteers (E/1997/11)

Letter dated 6 February from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General concerning the proclamation of the year 2000 as the international year of thanksgiving (E/1997/12)

7. *Reports, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies*

*For action*

Document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

- (a) *Economic questions*<sup>3</sup>

*For action*

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary

<sup>3</sup> The Council will not duplicate discussion on the issues listed under sub-items (a) and (b).

bodies (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

The reports listed under this sub-item will also be made available under sub-item 7 (b).

#### *Sustainable development*

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its fifth session (Council decision 1993/207)

Report of the Committee for Development Planning on its thirty-first session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI))

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 1995/53 on consumer protection

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on trade and environmental matters (General Assembly resolution 50/95)<sup>2</sup>

#### *Science and technology for development*

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its third session (Council decision 1992/218)

#### *Population and development*

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirtieth session (Council resolutions 150 (VII) and 1986/7 and decision 1995/209 and General Assembly resolution 49/128)

#### *Human settlements*

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its sixteenth session, including the report of the Commission on progress made in the implementation of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000 (General Assembly resolutions 32/162 and 43/181)<sup>2</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 51/177 on the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)<sup>2</sup>

#### *Environment*

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its nineteenth session (General Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII))

#### *Transport of dangerous goods*

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (Council resolution 1995/5)

#### *Cartography*

Report of the Secretary-General on the Fourteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific (Council decision 1994/228)

Report of the Secretary-General on the Sixth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (Council decision 1993/225)

#### *Statistics*

Report of the Statistical Commission on its twenty-ninth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L))

#### *Public administration and development*

Report of the Secretary-General on the Thirteenth Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance (Council decision 1989/114)

#### (b) *Environmental questions<sup>3</sup>*

##### *For action*

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

The reports listed under sub-item 7 (a) will also be made available under this sub-item.

#### (c) *Social questions*

##### *For action*

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

#### *Advancement of women*

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-first session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))

Report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and the Platform for Action (General Assembly resolutions 50/203 and 51/69)<sup>2</sup>

### *Social development*

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its thirty-fifth session (Council resolutions 10 (II) and 1996/7)

Report of the Secretary-General on the world social situation (General Assembly resolution 44/56)<sup>2</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the process of implementation of the objectives of education for all (General Assembly resolution 50/143)<sup>2</sup>

### *Crime prevention and criminal justice*

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its sixth session (Council resolution 1992/1)

### *Narcotic drugs*

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fortieth session (Council resolution 9 (I))

Summary of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, 1988)

### *United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees*

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 428 (V), annex, and Council resolution 1623 (LI), sect. II)<sup>2</sup>

## **(d) Human rights questions**

### *For action*

Relevant sections of the document prepared by the Secretariat containing a consolidation of conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 68)

### *Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination*

Report of the Secretary-General (General Assembly resolutions 49/146 and 51/81 and Council decision 1996/251)

### *Human rights*

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX), 1985/17 and 1995/39)

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its fifty-third session (Council resolutions 5 (I) and 9 (II))

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)<sup>2</sup>

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)<sup>2</sup>

## **8. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance**

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolutions 46/182, annex, and 51/194 and Council resolution 1996/33)<sup>2</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance for the reconstruction and development of Lebanon (Council resolution 1996/32 and General Assembly resolution 51/30 C)<sup>2</sup>

## **9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 51/150 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))<sup>2</sup>

Report of the President of the Council on consultations with the Chairman of the Special Committee (Council resolution 1996/37)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration (Council resolution 1996/37)<sup>2</sup>

## **10. Regional cooperation**

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1), including the report of the Secretary-General on a subject relating to interregional cooperation of common interest to all regions (Council resolution 1982/50 and decision 1982/174)

Note by the Secretary-General on a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (Council resolution 1995/48)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions, prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Note by the Secretary-General on reform of the United Nations and its impact on the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (E/1997/5)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the executive secretaries of the regional commissions (Council resolution 1996/41, para. 9; see also General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, paras. 74–75)

## **11. Permanent sovereignty over national resources in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories**

Report of the Secretary-General on economic and social repercussions of the Israeli settlements on the Palestinian

people in the Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, occupied since 1967, and on the Arab population of the occupied Syrian Golan (Council resolution 1996/40)<sup>2</sup>

12. *Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227*

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227<sup>2</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the mandates, composition and functions of the functional commissions and expert groups and bodies (Council resolution 1996/41, para. 4) (E/1996/97 and Add.1)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the executive secretaries of the regional commissions (Council resolution 1996/41, para. 9; see also General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, paras. 74–75)

Report of the Secretary-General containing a comprehensive assessment of the present arrangements for the Council's sessions (General Assembly resolution 50/227, annex I, para. 43)

13. *Non-governmental organizations*

(a) *Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations*

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31)

(b) *Increase in the membership of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations*

Note by the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1996/31 and decision 1995/304)

14. *New and innovative ideas for generating funds*

Report of the Secretary-General (Council resolution 1996/48)<sup>2</sup>