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CO-ORDINATION OF STATISTICAL QUESTIONNAIRES

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The Commission will be interested in knowing that on 4 August 1967, the Economic and Social Council passed resolution 1281 (XLIII), part II of which reads as follows:

Noting the recommendation of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination in its report on the second part of its first session that the Council take steps to ensure that, in keeping with past practice, all questionnaires emanating from United Nations bodies should be approved by the United Nations Statistical Office whenever they involve the provision of statistical data,

1. Requests the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to this end in so far as the United Nations Secretariat is concerned;

2. Recommends to the subsidiary bodies of the Council that when proposing the collection of statistical data from Member States, they take the necessary steps to ensure that the procedure is implemented; and

3. Calls the attention of the competent organs of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to this procedure.

2. The Commission will undoubtedly be pleased to note this further step in the direction of a strengthening of statistical co-ordination with a view to eliminating duplicate requests to Governments for statistical data (see also E/CN.3/381).
