

**1996/224. Adoption of the agenda of the substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council and other organizational matters**

At its 8th plenary meeting, on 24 June 1996, the Economic and Social Council adopted the agenda of its substantive session of 1996<sup>142</sup> and approved the organization of work of the session.<sup>143</sup>

At its 20th plenary meeting, on 2 July 1996, the Council approved the requests made by non-governmental organizations to be heard by the Council at its substantive session of 1996.<sup>144</sup>

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<sup>142</sup> See E/1996/100.

<sup>143</sup> See E/1996/L.16.

<sup>144</sup> See E/1996/78.

**1996/228. 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**

At its 29th plenary meeting, on 10 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on the work of its first regular session of 1996 (22-25 January 1996);<sup>22</sup>

(b) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on the work of its second regular session of 1996 (9-12 April 1996);<sup>22</sup>

(c) Reports of the Secretary-General containing a summary of decisions adopted by the executive boards of the United Nations funds and programmes and of actions taken by the organizations of the United Nations system on operational activities of the United Nations system for development;<sup>148</sup>

(d) Annual report of the United Nations Population Fund to the Economic and Social Council;<sup>149</sup>

(e) Annual report of the United Nations Children's Fund to the Economic and Social Council;<sup>150</sup>

(f) Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme;<sup>151</sup>

(g) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its annual session for 1996;<sup>152</sup>

(h) Extract from the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its 1996 annual session;<sup>153</sup>

(i) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its first regular session, New York, 15-19 January 1996;<sup>29</sup>

(j) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session, New York, 25-29 March 1996.<sup>29</sup>

**in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

At its 8th plenary meeting, on 24 June 1996, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the application of the Union of Economic and Social Councils of Africa, decided, in accordance with rule 79 of the rules of procedure of the Council, that the organization might participate on a continuing basis, without the right to vote, in the deliberations of the Council on questions within the scope of its activities.

**1996/226. Commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund**

At its 29th plenary meeting, on 10 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council endorsed decision 1996/18<sup>145</sup> adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund at its second regular session of 1996 and recommended its approval by the General Assembly at its fifty-first session.

**1996/227. Reports considered by the Economic and Social Council in connection with the question of follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly**

At its 29th plenary meeting, on 10 July 1996, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General drawing the attention of the Council to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "United Nations system common premises and services in the field" contained in document A/49/629;<sup>146</sup>

(b) Comments of the Administrative Committee on Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit contained in document A/49/629.<sup>147</sup>

<sup>148</sup> E/1996/64/Add.1 and 3.

<sup>149</sup> E/1996/68.

<sup>150</sup> E/1996/69.

<sup>151</sup> E/1996/73.

<sup>152</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1996, Supplement No. 13* (E/1996/33).

<sup>153</sup> E/1996/L.19.

<sup>145</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1996, Supplement No. 12* (E/1996/32/Rev.1), annex.

<sup>146</sup> E/1996/43, annex.

<sup>147</sup> A/51/124-E/1996/44.