

1997/202. Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1998

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 7 February 1997, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work for 1998:

Substantive session of 1998

A. High-level segment

[Item/items to be selected]

World Economic and Social Survey, 1998

B. Coordination segment

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

[Theme/themes to be selected]

C. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive triennial policy review of operational activities for development undertaken by the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 50/120)²

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

Coordination of activities on a system-wide basis

Consideration of the 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

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

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 802 (VIII) and 48/162)

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

D. General segment

Coordination questions

Reports of coordination bodies

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

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998 (Council resolution 13 (III))

Implementation of and follow-up to major international conferences in the economic, social and related fields

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 1997 agreed conclusions of the Council

Malaria and diarrhoeal diseases, in particular cholera

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization on the implementation of the strategies and workplans presented to the Council at its substantive session of 1995 (Council resolution 1995/63)

Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 46/182, annex)

Oral reports on special programmes of economic and humanitarian assistance

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)

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 (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))²

Human rights

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

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

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex)²

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

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

Documentation for information

Reports submitted by States parties to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and by the specialized agencies

Advancement of women

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)²

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

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the revised system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001 (Council resolution 1996/34)

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)²

Social development

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

Crime prevention and criminal justice

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

Narcotic drugs

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-first 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)

Report of the Secretary-General on the biennial update of the United Nations System-Wide Action Plan on Drug Abuse Control (General Assembly resolution 48/112, sect. IV)²

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)²

Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions

Sustainable development

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

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

Report of the Committee for Development Planning on the report of the Secretary-General on a vulnerability index for small island developing States (General Assembly resolution 51/183)²

Report of the Secretary-General on products harmful to health and the environment (General Assembly resolution 39/229)²

Natural resources

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources on its fourth session (Council decisions 1992/218 and 1993/302)

Energy

Report of the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development on its third session (Council decision 1992/218)

International cooperation in tax matters

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress of the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (Council resolutions 1273 (XLIII) and 1765 (LIV))

Public administration and finance

Report of the Secretary-General (General Assembly resolution 50/225)²

Cartography

Report of the Secretary-General on the Seventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names (Council decision 1993/226)

Regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields

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)

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

United Nations University

Report of the Council of the United Nations University for 1997 (General Assembly resolutions 3081 (XXVIII) and 39/217, annex I)⁴

Non-governmental organizations

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

⁴ Will be considered by the General Assembly in 1998.

Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields

Relevant chapters of the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1998–2003

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