

**1997/215. Participation of intergovernmental organizations  
in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

At its 16th plenary meeting, on 7 July 1997, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the application of the International Centre of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, 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.