

1998/209. Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1999

At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 6 February 1998, the Economic and Social Council took note of the following list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work for 1999:

Substantive session of 1999

A. High-level segment

[Item/items to be selected]⁵

World Economic and Social Survey, 1999

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

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Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly

Report of the Secretary-General

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 (Assembly resolution 48/162, annex, and Council resolution 1995/51)

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

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

Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Report of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries⁴

C. 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]

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations (Assembly resolution 46/182, annex)⁴

⁵ In its resolution 52/190, the General Assembly invited the Council to consider devoting one high-level segment before the year 2001 to human settlements and the implementation of the Habitat Agenda; in its resolutions 50/203 and 52/100, the Assembly invited the Council to consider devoting, before the year 2000, one high-level segment to the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women; in its resolution 52/86, the Assembly invited the Council to consider including the question of violence against women in the high-level segment of one of its forthcoming sessions, in the context of its discussion on the human rights of women.

Oral report on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Uganda (Council resolution 1983/46)

E. General segment

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 1998 agreed conclusions of the Council (Assembly resolution 45/264)

Report of the Secretary-General on ways to enhance the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (Council resolution 1997/61)

Overall review of the theme of poverty eradication (Council resolution 1997/60)

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-ninth session

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1998

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

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Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-ninth session

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

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) (Council resolution 1997/52)

Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields

Draft calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for the biennium 2000-2001

Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of conference services by the Economic and Social Council

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))⁴

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 1997/48)

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

Non-governmental organizations

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and decision 1995/304)

Economic and environmental questions

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

Sustainable development

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

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

Science and technology for development

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its fourth session (Council decisions 1992/218, 1997/305 and 1997/306)

Statistics

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirtieth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and decision 1997/219)

Human settlements

Report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its seventeenth session (Assembly resolutions 32/162, 43/181 and 52/190)⁴

Environment

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twentieth session (Assembly resolution 2997 (XXVII))⁴

Women in development

Report of the Secretary-General on the effective mobilization and integration of women in development (Assembly resolutions 42/178 and 52/195)⁴

Transport of dangerous goods

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods during the biennium 1997–1998 and on the implementation of Council resolution 1997/3 (Council resolutions 724 C (XXVIII), 1488 (XLVIII) and 1983/7)

Desertification and drought

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolutions 3054 (XXVIII) and 50/114 and Council resolution 1978/37)⁴

International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolution 44/236, annex)⁴

Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (article 34 of the Charter)⁴

Population and development

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-second session (Assembly resolution 49/128, para. 25, and Council decision 1995/209)

Social and human rights questions

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

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)⁴

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-third 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 implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (Assembly resolutions 50/203 and 52/100)⁴

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Assembly resolution 52/93 on the improvement of the situation of women in rural areas⁴

Social development

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

Report of the Secretary-General on effective ways and means for achieving the goal of education for all (Assembly resolution 52/84)⁴

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its eighth session (Council resolution 1992/1 and decision 1997/232)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Assembly resolution 52/86 on crime prevention and criminal justice measures to eliminate violence against women⁴

Narcotic drugs

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-second 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 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees⁴

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

Report of the Secretary-General (Assembly resolutions 49/146 and 52/111)

Programme of activities for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Mid-point review by the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly of the results of the activities for the Decade (General Assembly resolution 50/157)

Human rights

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)⁴

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
(Assembly resolution 44/25, annex)⁴

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

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner
for Human Rights (Assembly resolution 48/141)⁴

Documentation for information

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