

**1998/47. Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields: modalities for elections**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Taking into account* its resolution 1998/46 of 31 July 1998 and annexes I to III thereto,

*Bearing in mind* that the Council, at its resumed substantive session of 1998, will hold elections for the composition of the bodies referred to in annex I to resolution 1998/46, so that these bodies are fully constituted from 1 January 1999,

1. *Decides* to terminate, as of 31 December 1998, the current membership of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, the Committee for Development Planning, the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development;

2. *Also decides* to hold new elections for the thirty-three members of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, in accordance with the pattern for regional distribution agreed upon and set forth in paragraph 6 of annex I to resolution 1998/46; and following the election of the new members, there shall be a drawing of lots for all seats, whether vacant or not, to stagger the terms of office: sixteen members of the Commission shall serve for a term of two years (four members from African States, three members from Asian States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States, two members from Eastern European States and four members from Western European and other States) and seventeen members shall serve for a term of four years (four members from African States, four members from Asian States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States, two members from Eastern European States and four members from Western European and other States);

3. *Further decides* that, in accordance with previous practice, the terms of office of all the members of the Committee for Development Policy shall be concurrent;

4. *Decides* that the election of members of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources for Development shall be held every four years and the terms of office of all the members of the Committee shall be concurrent.

*47th plenary meeting  
31 July 1998*