

EB17.R54 Legislative Developments in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance

The Executive Board,

Having considered the Report of the Director-General on legislative developments in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance ; ²

Considering the revisions which have been made in the basic resolution 222 (IX) by the Economic and Social Council in resolutions 433 A (XIV) (which also approved resolution 3 of the Technical Assistance Committee)¹ and 542 B II (XVIII)² of the Economic and Social Council ;

Noting that the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and the Technical Assistance Board are now reviewing the experience gained under the Expanded Programme and will consider plans for the future development of the programme

1. NOTES that the provisions of the Economic and Social Council resolution 542 B II (XVIII) place the responsibility for planning and co-ordinating country programmes on the government concerned along the lines proposed by the Executive Board in resolution EB11.R57.1, and that developments in the country programming procedure to date have placed with the government concerned the responsibility for determining the kind of assistance needed and the rate at which it can be absorbed in orderly development ;
2. NOTES, further, that the provisions of resolution 542 B II (XVIII) specify that “ participating organizations shall continue to be responsible for advising and assisting the appropriate government authorities in the technical planning of individual projects ” ;
3. EXPRESSES its satisfaction that, the Economic and Social Council having established the principles noted in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, and the first year of planning under the procedures established in resolution 542 B II (XVIII) having been carried out with due regard to those principles, the suggestions of the Executive Board and the World Health Assembly as expressed in various resolutions on the subject³ have been implemented ; and therefore,
4. RECOMMENDS to the Ninth World Health Assembly that it note with approval the developments which have so far occurred concerning the amendments to the basic resolution 222 (IX) of the Economic and Social Council ;
5. EXPRESSES the hope that the review by ACC and TAB and other future legislative developments in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance will result in simplification and improvement in the machinery and administration of the programme, in order that it may assist as effectively as possible in raising the living standards of the people in the countries concerned and that arrangements will be made for increasing the financial stability of the programme by longer-term planning and financing ;
6. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to the Board at its nineteenth session on future developments.