

Resolutions and Decisions of the Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2003
New York, 15, 28, 30 and 31 January 2003

Resumed organizational session for 2003
New York, 5 and 25 March, 29 April, 1 and 27 May and 24 June 2003

Substantive session of 2003
Geneva, 30 June–25 July 2003

Resumed substantive session of 2003
New York, 22 August, 31 October and 19 December 2003

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Society for Comparative Legislation (1998–2001)
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues
(1995–1998)
Unión de Escritores y Artistas de Cuba (1998–2001)
Women’s Missionary Society of the African Methodist
Episcopal Church (1997–2000)
World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters
(1998–2001)
World Federation of Therapeutic Communities (1996–1999)
World Society of Victimology (1995–1998)

(d) To note that the Committee closed the case of two complaints submitted by States against the following organizations:

France Libertés: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand
Movement against Racism and for Friendship among Peoples

2003/276. Suspension of consultative status

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council decided to suspend, for a period of one year, the special consultative status of Reporters sans frontières-International in accordance with paragraph 57 of Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996.

2003/277. Implementation of the electronic meeting system (“Paperless Committee”)

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council took note of resolution 2003/1 of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on the implementation of the electronic meeting system “Paperless Committee”,⁶⁸ and decided to implement the electronic meeting system referred to therein in future sessions of the Committee on a trial basis for a period of one year, with a view to its implementation on a permanent basis upon successful completion of the trial phase, and requested the Secretary-General to ensure the provision of adequate staff and facilities in order to implement the present decision.

2003/278. Resumed 2003 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council decided to authorize the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to hold a resumed session for a period of one week, from 15 to 19 December 2003, in order to complete the work of its 2003 session.

2003/279. Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2003 regular session

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council took note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2003 regular session.⁶⁹

2003/280. Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session: Timor-Leste

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council endorsed the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session,⁷⁰ and decided to include Timor-Leste in the list of least developed countries.

2003/281. Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session: Cape Verde and Maldives

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council, having endorsed the recommendation regarding Timor-Leste, as contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session.⁷⁰

(a) Took note of chapters I, II, III and V of the report;

(b) Decided to defer consideration of chapter IV (Review of the list of least developed countries), including the question of graduating Cape Verde and Maldives, until its resumed session, and in this regard requested the Secretary-General to provide the necessary technical support to the Council for that purpose.

2003/282. Support for the New Partnership for Africa’s Development

At its 47th plenary meeting, on 24 July 2003, the Economic and Social Council, recalling General Assembly resolution 57/7 of 4 November 2002, entitled “Final review and appraisal of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s and support for the New Partnership for Africa’s Development”, decided to consider, pursuant to its role in respect of system-wide coordination, how to support the objectives of resolution 57/7 at its resumed session in 2003.

⁶⁸ E/2003/32 (Part I), chap. I, sect. B.

⁷⁰ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2003, Supplement No. 13 (E/2003/33), chap. IV, para. 35 (a).*