Item 22 of the provisional agenda
(GC(III)/72)

THE AGENCY'S ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR 1959-60

Proposal by the Board of Governors

1. The General Conference will recall that, in connexion with its decision that a report shall be submitted to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations each year, at its second session, on matters within the Council's competence, it authorized the Board to submit this report in 1959.1/

2. During the debate in the Administrative and Legal Committee that led up to the adoption of the resolution in question, it was pointed out that the purpose of the proposal to authorize the Board to submit the report in 1959 was to ensure that the report would be as up-to-date as possible. It was further indicated that the date at which the General Conference would decide to hold its regular annual session would have a bearing on the procedure it would be desirable to follow in future years.2/

3. The General Conference subsequently decided that its third regular session should open on 22 September 1959.3/ In the light of this decision and of the fact that the Council's second session in 1960 will be convened in late June or early July,4/ it would seem desirable for the General Conference to authorize

1/ GC(II)/RES/24. For the text of the report, see document INFCIRC/4.
2/ See document GC(II)/CON.2/OR.12, paras. 3-14.
3/ See document GC(II)/OR.22, para. 32.
4/ The Council's Rules of Procedure provide that the date of the second regular session of the year (which usually lasts for about five weeks) shall be fixed as late as administratively practicable before the opening of the regular session of the General Assembly and shall be adjourned at least six weeks before it. The General Assembly normally begins its regular session every year on the third Tuesday in September.
the Board to submit the Agency’s annual report to the Council in 1960. The Board accordingly submits the following draft resolution for the consideration of the General Conference:

THE AGENCY’S ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR 1959–60

The General Conference,

Recalling its decision in resolution GC(II)/EES/24, paragraph 1, that a report shall be submitted to the Economic and Social Council each year at its second session on matters within the Council’s competence,

Authorizes the Board of Governors to submit the report to the Council in 1960.